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Moovit joins forces with UK Department for Transport to help riders plan journeys with confidence

The Department for Transport is working closely with Moovit who has started accessing and using the Bus Open Data Service, a project standardising data from bus operators across the UK in order to help riders better plan their journeys

London, December 2020 - [Moovit](#), an Intel a company, a leading Mobility as a Service (MaaS) solutions provider and creator of the #1 urban mobility app, is announcing its collaboration with the [UK Department for Transport](#) to begin utilising the [Bus Open Data Service](#) (BODS), a central source of timetable, bus location, and fare data of every bus operator across England. Operators are now committed to openly publishing and storing transport information in BODS' standard format, which will empower passengers with the most precise and updated bus information so they can plan their journeys with confidence, understand costs in advance, and ultimately save time and frustration.

Public transport is the backbone of societal life and has significant social, economic, and environmental benefits. But, according to the [Bus Passenger Survey by Transport Focus](#), UK ridership has been on the decline, preceding the COVID-19 pandemic, largely due to the lack of journey planning information available.

With Moovit's assistance, the BODS pioneer project from the Department for Transport is standardising and openly publishing bus operator data so that passengers across England will be able to better plan journeys down to the minute, know how much their bus ride will cost in advance, and save time waiting for the bus. It will also enable developers to add BODS' information into existing or new apps and products meant to provide riders all they need to more easily plan and ride efficient and accurate journeys.

Moovit, which has guided over 910 million users worldwide in getting around town effectively and conveniently, is leveraging its technical expertise to help guide the Department for Transport in making BODS information usable for Mobility as a Service (MaaS) platforms. Moovit is also working with local transport authorities of all sizes to integrate their BODS data into the Moovit app, providing passengers with precise journey planning, fares, disruptions data, and real-time arrival information.

Moovit recently collaborated on a similar project with Transport for the North (TfN), the subnational transport body representing the North's twenty local transport authorities, on TfN's Open Data Hub. The open-source fares and disruptions data for developers, has enabled the essential workers riding North England's public transport services with the tools they need to more easily plan and ride efficient, accurate, and safe journeys during a time when timetables



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consistently change. The Open Data Hub is an initiative of TfN's £150m [Integrated and Smart Travel](#) programme.

"This will significantly further the ability of BODS to digitally transform the delivery of bus services and, ultimately, the passenger experience," said Meera Nayyar, Head of Passenger Experience (Buses and Taxis) at the Department for Transport. "Moovit will help revolutionise the way in which the DfT, and other stakeholders, collect and analyse bus data, enabling us to identify network optimisations more easily and help us support operators in reporting their on-time performance statistics."

"Moovit and the Department for Transport share a vision of simplifying urban mobility for millions of UK residents," said Luke Redfern, UK Partnerships Manager at Moovit. "We are delighted to work at the forefront of the development of the world-leading BODS system with the Department for Transport, and bring confidence back to public transport riders as they navigate their journeys."

Bus operators are legally required to provide timetable data by the end of 2020 and fare, ticket and location data by January 2021. The regulations aim to boost passenger confidence, as well as help keep fares down via greater transparency across different operators.

About Moovit

Moovit (www.moovit.com), an Intel company, is a leading Mobility as a Service (MaaS) solutions provider and the creator of the #1 urban mobility app. Moovit was acquired by Intel in 2020 to join forces with Mobileye and advance its MaaS strategy. Together, Moovit and Mobileye will accelerate the global adoption of autonomous transportation.

Moovit's iOS, Android, and Web apps guide people in getting around town effectively and conveniently, using any mode of transport. Introduced in 2012 it now serves over 910 million users in more than 3,400 cities across 112 countries.

Moovit amasses up to six billion anonymous data points a day to add to the world's largest repository of transit and urban mobility data. For governments, cities, transit agencies, and private companies, Moovit offers AI-powered [MaaS solutions](#) covering planning, operations, and optimization with proven value in reducing congestion, growing ridership, and increasing efficiency and asset utilization. Industry leaders such as Microsoft, Uber, and Cubic have partnered with Moovit to power their mobility offerings.



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