

### Arriva Pledge To Review Bus Services

Following the introduction of a free concessionary travel scheme for the elderly in 2002, Arriva have experienced a huge increase in demand for their service operating between Paisley and Largs.

Elderly passengers wrote to Wendy calling for more and better buses.

Wendy took up their case with Arriva, and local pensioners like Betty Ross can look forward to a better service in 2004. Double the number of buses will now run between Paisley and Largs during the summer

months. Timetable changes will also improve the punctuality of the service, making it even better for customers.

So here's hoping the weather this summer is just as good as last year!



Wendy Alexander, Ian Craig and Betty Ross

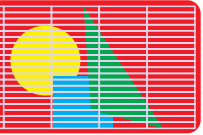
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### M74 - Good News



**The M74 Extension will be the new highway to Renfrewshire.**

For drivers it will make travel to and from Renfrewshire quicker and easier. And it will dramatically improve delivery times for business.

Construction is due to begin this autumn and will create 350 new jobs. The inward investment will attract a further 12,000 job opportunities for the West of Scotland.

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**Rolls Royce: A Great Local Success Story.** The number two company worldwide in aero engines will open a new £86 million factory at Inchinnan this year, which will replace the old Hillington site - preserving up to 1000 jobs in the future.

### New Air Route to the East...

This April, Glasgow Airport saw the first direct flights to Dubai.

Not only could the new route generate some 150,000 more passengers a year, it will open up Glasgow as Scotland's gateway to the East.

This is brilliant news for local businesses wanting to boost their overseas exports and for passengers looking to travel to one of the world's most exotic destinations.



### Westway Becomes Part of the Community



Westway Industrial and Distribution Park in Renfrew is breathing new life and jobs into the community and is now considered one of the largest, safest and most innovative industrial parks in the UK.

A joint venture by Nick Leslau and Scottish entrepreneur Tom Hunter, it has attracted a number of international companies while continuing to offer tailor-made commercial packages that are equally competitive for local companies.

As Renfrew residents know, the Cherrie Centre (run by Moorpark Community Association) has been a major part of the Renfrew community for 30 years, with volunteers working tirelessly to

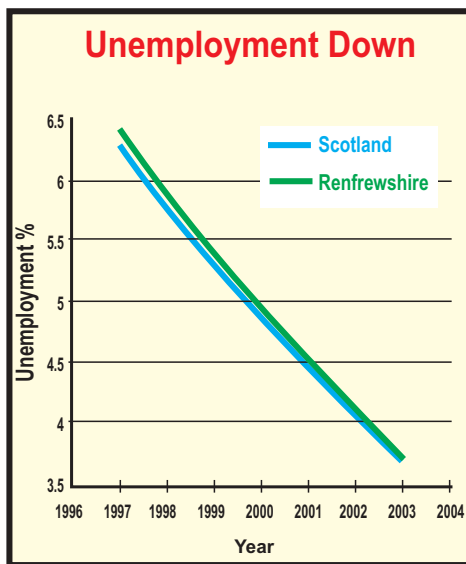
provide a variety of social and cultural activities as well as affordable nursery and after school care.

Westway became involved with the Cherrie Centre in the early part of 2003. Refurbishment to the children's toilets was required to maintain the Centre's registration from Care Commission to run a community nursery. Westway provided the expertise from its contractors to complete the necessary alterations and refurbishment.



(pictured left to right - Wendy Alexander MSP, Clive Turner, Westway Site Manager, Margaret Laird, Cherrie Centre Chairperson with children who attend the Centre's nursery)

### Jobs - Good News



- Unemployment in Renfrewshire has fallen faster than in Scotland.
- Rolls Royce will open a new factory at Inchinnan later this year.
- Glasgow Airport's new terminal opens this spring.
- The Renfrew Riverside regeneration project is attracting hundreds of new homes.
- Malcolm's at Linwood is going from strength to strength.
- The Hillington Innovation Centre is home to many exciting new companies.

## Phoenix Mazda Joins the Family...

Since its inception in 1993, Phoenix Car Company has been growing from strength to strength, not only from a business perspective, but in terms of helping local economic development within the Paisley area. The company's success can be attributed to hard work, professionalism, teamwork and excellent customer care. Phoenix stands apart in its sector because of its attention to detail, the personal touch given to its customers and its brand strength. This year marks the launch of Phoenix Mazda.

Since the launch of its first, and well renowned franchise, Phoenix Honda, Phoenix quickly expanded its portfolio to include some of the most successful brand names in the motor industry - Mitsubishi, Suzuki, Kia, Citroen and Motown (Phoenix's used car franchise). In 1997, Phoenix acquired a six-acre site adjacent to Phoenix Honda, to develop a motor park complex. This development attracts volumes of new, existing, service, workshop and body shop customers on a daily basis.

Phoenix's Track Record

1998 - Phoenix Honda, fastest growing, privately owned company in Scotland.  
1999 - Phoenix expanded operations with the opening of Phoenix Honda Falkirk.  
2001 - Phoenix Suzuki launched, with record-breaking stats for a new dealership.  
2003 - Phoenix Citroen & Phoenix Kia added to the portfolio.  
2004 - Phoenix Mazda and a new Honda franchise in Stirling launched.

Phoenix is planning an expansion strategy that will see it nearly double turnover, aiding the local economy and creating employment opportunities. Cornerstones of this strategy include boosting new and used car sales, increasing servicing business and acquiring new sites over the next 2 & 1/2 years. New car sales are expected to be buoyant in 2004 as economic prospects remain bright and manufacturers gear up for major product launches.

Phoenix also has a range of community links, sponsoring sports teams, such as St Mirren, Partick Thistle, Arthurlie FC, Celtic FC and Nielston Juniors, The Scottish Phoenix Honda Record Rocks' pro-basketball team, and many other local sporting initiatives. Phoenix is also renowned for supporting local charities such as Maggie's Centre, Greenock Hospice, St Johns Church, Cash for Kids, CHAS (Children's Hospice Association Scotland), and many more.

Phoenix Retail Park, Linwood Road, Paisley  
www.phoenixcar.co.uk

Local entrepreneur John McGuire has built his hugely successful car business from Phoenix Park in Linwood.