

Cycle parking information and Cycle Point

Short term cycle parking

The most common form of short stay cycle parking is the Sheffield stand. This consists of a metal hoop fastened to ground. It is designed so that a cycle can lean against it and be locked to it by its frame and both wheels. Sometimes when several stands are required a 'toast rack' can be installed which consists of several Sheffield stands mounted on a rail. Covers can also be provided to protect cycle from the weather.

If you are a business or developer who wishes to install stands it is important that you install the stands in a convenient, well overlooked location, otherwise you may find your railings and sign poles being used instead. For dimensions of preferred arrangements and more information download the Sustrans Cycle Parking Information Sheet.

The traditional 'butterfly' stands should not be used. They do not allow the cycle to be securely fastened by its frame and cycles can be easily knocked over and damaged.

Long term cycle parking

The best form of long term cycle parking is the cycle locker. This provides a very secure parking space where the cycle is completely hidden from view. They can take a horizontal form or can be upright. Prices start at around £500 and a variety of designs are available. Type 'cycle locker' into your search engine for examples.

Cages (or compounds) are another form of long stay parking. They are usually used in communal parking areas. The users each have their own key, (swipe cards or combination locks are also used) which gives them access to the cage. They can then fasten their bikes with their own lock to a Sheffield stand within the compound. This system can be cheaper and more space efficient than lockers but it not as secure. See information sheet attached to this page in pdf format for more details.

You can download the pdf city centre parking locations to find out where you can park your bike in the city centre. Please note that this map is due to be updated shortly. Many new parking spaces have been provided but the lockers shown by the International Pool no longer exist.

Cycle parking requests

Unfortunately we do not currently have resources to provide additional cycle parking facilities. However if you would like to go on our 'wish list' in case funds do become available you can request the council to provide cycle parking

- If you are a charity or provide a public service you may be able to apply for a grant to have cycle parking installed on your premises, to be available to members of the public
- If you know a location on the public highway where you feel it would be of benefit to have cycle stands installed.

If you want cycle parking please email us using the contact details in the top right hand side of this page.

Cycle point

Northern Rail have constructed a 'Dutch style' cycle storage, hire and maintenance facility at Leeds City Rail Station. Information can be found at www.cyclepoint.org