



Leeds Sustainable Travel Guide

There are various ways for you, your family or your staff to travel more sustainably in Leeds. Find descriptions of greener methods of travel throughout this guide.





How do I make a sustainable journey in Leeds?

Public Transport

Travelling via public transport is easy, you can plan a journey online, download or pick up a printed timetable, speak to an advisor on the telephone or get face-to-face advice at Leeds Bus Station Travel Centre.

MetroLine advisors can provide you with detailed information on West Yorkshire bus and train journey times. It is open every day from 7am-10pm excluding Christmas and New Year's Day – call **0113 245 7676**.

Timetables

Details of West Yorkshire bus and train services can be found in handy timetables. Download them from the Bus Travel and Train Travel sections of the Metro website at www.wymetro.com.

Your Next Bus

For real-time information on when your next bus is due text the eight digit number (starting with 450) shown on the bus stop to 63876. You will receive an SMS reply informing when your bus is due to arrive at the stop, or the scheduled arrival time.

Alternatively, find your next bus at www.wymetro.com

Different ways to pay and save

A weekly, monthly or annual MetroCard can help regular travellers cut the cost of travel in West Yorkshire.

Find out the benefits at
www.m-card.co.uk

Trav.ly

Trav.ly is the new public transport journey planner with Enterprise Car Club locations. It is available through the app store on Android and Apple. You can also use the app to purchase tickets.

Details available at
www.Trav.ly

Park and Ride

Park and ride can be cheaper and more convenient than parking in the city centre. Two sites are currently operating – Elland Road and Temple Green, with more planned.

Details available at
www.wymetro.com/park-and-ride



Cycling



Cycling is a great way to keep fit and gives you the flexibility to time your journey, putting you in control. What's more it's great for the environment! By cycling you can get ahead of traffic jams, as well as saving on fuel and parking costs.

For cycling information visit
www.leeds.gov.uk/cyclingleeds

For cycle routes across Leeds and West Yorkshire visit
www.tinyurl.com/wycyclemap

Alternatively, you can pick up cycle maps at your local leisure centre or obtain copies free of charge by emailing travelwise@leeds.gov.uk.

City Connect

City Connect offers free cycle training to give people the confidence to conquer their commute. Projects include making Leeds more cycle friendly with Cycle Superhighways and providing a cycle journey planner for work or leisure across the whole of Leeds.

Find out more at
www.cyclecityconnect.co.uk

Walking



Travelling on foot is a practical and healthy alternative to using the car for shorter journeys. It is a great way of increasing your daily activity.

Planning a walking route in Leeds is easy. Visit Google Maps and enter where you would like to walk from and to. Maps will work out a tailor-made walking route for you.

www.google.com/maps

Car Club



Leeds car club partner, Enterprise Car Club, offers an alternative to car ownership by providing you with the opportunity to drive new, reliable cars and only pay for the time you actually use them. This could be for as little as one hour or a few days.

Cars are booked online by members and once your booking is made, you simply walk to your reserved car and drive away. Cars are located in dedicated parking spaces in various locations across Leeds. For more information about Enterprise Car Club visit www.enterpriseclub.co.uk.

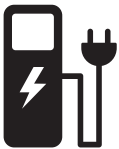
Car Sharing



Car sharing is when two or more people, usually heading to the same destination, travel together by car for all or part of a journey. You can share a car trip for any purpose such as getting to work, doing the weekly shop, travelling to a festival, or visiting friends.

The West Yorkshire Car Share scheme is available for anyone to find car sharing matches at www.wycarshare.com.

Electric Vehicle Charging Points



For drivers of electric vehicles (EV) try Zap-Map to locate charging points and for tips on buying and getting the best from your EV or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle.

Visit www.zap-map.com/leeds to find charge points on your journey.

Public Transport for businesses



Travel Plan Network

The Travel Plan Network is a free membership scheme for any employer in West Yorkshire who is committed to encouraging staff to travel to work sustainably.

As a free member, your staff will enjoy discounts on two types of MCard, for travel on bus and rail in West Yorkshire. You will also get access to operators' own schemes and tailored travel information for your business.

If your business is interested in finding out more, you can get in touch at travel.planning@leeds.gov.uk

Business Travel Pass (MCard)

As members of the Travel Plan Network your organisation would be eligible for a significant discount on the annual MCard. Business Travel Passes can be shared with anyone in the company for business and work-related travel on bus and rail throughout West Yorkshire. It must be accompanied by an employee ID card.

Corporate Annual Mcard

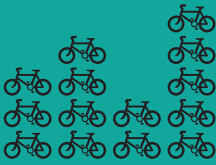
Members can offer their employees a 12% discount on the Corporate Annual MCard. The scheme is effectively a pre-paid MCard giving virtually unlimited travel on bus and/or rail in West Yorkshire.

Benefits include:

- A 12% discount off the regular price
- Valid on the services of nearly all operators
- Time-saving, just get on and show your MCard
- Highly cost-effective
- Valid at any time of day

For more information about transport schemes for businesses including park and ride, Enterprise Car Club, and WYCarshare offers, visit www.wymetro.com/more-ways-to-travel/wytpn.

Cycling for businesses



City Connect

City Connect, a cycling promotion scheme from West Yorkshire Combined Authority, also work with companies to be bike-friendly businesses. If companies sign up for Bike Friendly Business accreditation, City Connect will support them with a grant to improve cycling facilities.

Further details are available at

www.cyclecityconnect.co.uk/get-active/working-with-business

Tax Free Bike Schemes

The Government is encouraging employers to promote cycling through its Cycle to Work scheme. Employees can obtain a bike and equipment through a loan which will be deducted, tax free, via a salary sacrifice scheme over an agreed period.

For further details search 'cycle to work' at

www.gov.uk

Walking for businesses



CityConnect Walking

CityConnect Walking is working with organisations across West Yorkshire to encourage people to build walking into their journey to and from work, education and training. CityConnect is working with Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, to deliver CityConnect Walking. Sign up to the Walk Friendly Workplace accreditation scheme and we'll give you the support you need! Our team can visit your workplace to carry out an initial assessment and discuss measures that will help you gain accreditation.

Find out more at

www.cyclecityconnect.co.uk/cityconnectwalking

Our partners

We work with many different organisations to deliver sustainable transport in Leeds, among them are:

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Sustainable travel information from the Influencing Travel Behaviour Team

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@MetroTravelNews

Public transport information

Facebook

@CyclinginLeeds

Keep up to date with cycling information and news through our dedicated Facebook page



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Information on Sustainable Travel in Leeds:
www.leeds.gov.uk/transformingtravel