

S U S T A I N A B L E T R A V E L I N F O R M A T I O N

A S K E T D R I V E , S E A C R O F T , L E E D S

The way we travel is becoming more important in all of our lives. Achieving a balance between the need to travel by car or enabling people to travel by foot, bike or public transport for more of the journeys we make every day is increasingly changing the way in which we interact with our surroundings. People are now more equipped to choose healthier, cleaner and cheaper journeys, with better places and spaces to move through and live in.

As part of maintaining a responsible approach to the environment as well as to our health, a Sustainable Travel Information sheet has been prepared to inform the residents at our Ambition development about the travel options which are available.

RAIL SERVICES

The closest railway station to the development is Cross Gates Railway Station which is located approximately 4.1km to the southeast of the development. The station has space for 15 bicycles including 5 secure lockers and 10 cycle stands. There is also a 20 space car park, free of charge for railway users.

This station has services that run through to York, Huddersfield, Bradford, Selby, Blackpool and the mainline station of Leeds.

Leeds railway station provides connecting services to Manchester, Skipton, Kottingley, Knaresborough, Ilkley, Nottingham, Liverpool, Hull, Newcastle, London, Doncaster, Halifax, Huddersfield and other local destinations. It is on the mainline and has a variety of services including shops, food outlets, a ticket office, ticket machines, waiting rooms, toilets, cycle parking, taxi ranks and a short stay and long stay car park.

Information and up to date rail timetables can be found via the internet at:

www.wymetro.com

www.yorkshiretravel.net

www.nationalrail.co.uk

Leeds travel information is available at www.leadstravel.info/cdmfwebserver/jsp/leeds.jsp.

BUS FACILITIES

There are numerous bus stops to be found in the immediate vicinity (see inset). Most notable are those that are located along Asket Drive and Easterly Road where the majority of services that serve the wider area run from.

Typically there are up to 18 buses operating in the vicinity of the site each hour. Of particular note are the frequent services which pass by the site and include:

Asket Drive

50 (A) Horsforth The Green, Hawkswood Av, Kirkstall Ln, Cardigan Rd, Eastgate, St James Hospital, Harehills, Dib Ln, Seacroft Bus Stn

Easterly Road (A58)

49 Bramley, Broadlea Cres Broad Ln, Burley Rd, Eastgate, St James's Hospital, Harehills, Dib Ln, Monkwood Gate

Wetherby Road

X98/9 Infirmary St, Harehills, Red Hall Ln, Collingham, Wetherby Bus Stn, Deighton Bar

Grange Park Road

42 Old Farnley, Lower Wortley, Copley Hill, Leeds, St James's Hospital, Gipton, Oakwood

Other sources of bus information that may be useful include:

www.wymetro.com

www.metrojourneyplanner.info/welcome.do

www.yorkshiretravel.net

www.wymetro.com/howtogetto/planajourney

www.traveline.info

www.transportdirect.info.

These provide journey planners, copies of local timetables and details of any special offers.

Coach information can be found at www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx and Megabus <http://uk.megabus.com/>.

The 'Your next Bus' service tracks buses using the satellite navigation system and provides the departure times of your next bus at any bus stop in West Yorkshire. This service is available by texting the bus stop number to 63876 and is also available at wypte.acislive.com free of charge.



CYCLE FACILITIES

Cycling is a healthy and sustainable mode of travel that can be enjoyed as a leisure activity or as a realistic mode of travel to work or to school. Information on cycling and cycle training is available from www.wygo cycling.com and www.sustrans.org.uk.

Cycle maps and details of cycle routes can be found at www.leeds.gov.uk/cyclemaps and a copy of these maps can be ordered for free from this website.

Cycle journey planner is available from Transport Direct at www.cyclestreets.net.

The nearest outlets for cycles and accessories are listed below:

Halfords, Melbourne Park, Leeds, LS14 6AX (Approximately 2100 metres southeast of the site)
Tel: 0113 264 8311 Web: halfords.com

Drakes Cycles, 148-150 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS8 5BD (Tel – 0113 249 0326) approximately 2300 metres southwest of the site.

The Bike Shop Leeds, 78-84 Cross Gates Road, Leeds, LS15 7NL approximately 2400 metres southeast of the site. (Tel – 0113 232 8483 – Leedsbicycle.com)

WALKING FACILITIES

There are numerous safe pedestrian routes within the vicinity of the site. Footways are surfaced and well lit which are provided on all the surrounding roads.

A free online walking journey planner is available at <http://walkit.com/cities/leeds/>.

TRAVEL TO SCHOOL

Many of the local schools have prepared their own Travel Plan in association with Leeds City Council. These Travel Plans promote sustainable travel to the school in order to reduce the number of vehicles in the vicinity of the premises at the start and end of each school day. By minimising the number of vehicles the schools are helping to reduce air pollution and increase road safety for pupils.

The following web links provide useful information if school age children form part of your household.

www.generationm.co.uk/your-school/schoolfinder

www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/Pages/schooltravelplans.aspx

As part of the Travel Plan Survey each household has been asked to complete we have requested a contact e-mail address so that we can keep you updated on such events to make sure your children do not miss out. We have asked for an e-mail contact to further limit the impact of the development on the environment by minimising the paper ordinarily used posting newsletters etc out to each household.

CAR SHARING

Car sharing is becoming a more popular form of travel particularly for journeys to work and has the potential to save time and money. The more people that car share, the less congestion there is during peak periods on the roads. There are a number of car share schemes operating within the Leeds area. An example of such a scheme can be found at <https://wy.liftshare.com/>.

CAR CLUB

Car Clubs offer hourly car rental which can be much cheaper than owning your own car if you do not intend to drive regularly, residents are therefore encouraged to car share. Details of car club locations and how to join the schemes which operate in

Leeds can be found at <http://www.citycarclub.co.uk/locations/leeds-car-hire> .

City Car Club is available in Leeds and the closest car is located on Back Roman Grove, Roundhay approximately 2.1 miles from the site. The location can be found at <https://www.citycarclub.co.uk/locations/leeds-car-hire/357-back-roman-grove>.

MOTORCYCLING AND MOPEDS

There are several benefits that may be derived from the use of this form of travel. Motor cycles by their very size create less congestion and are more likely to have less environmental impact than a single occupancy vehicle.

Information regarding safety equipment, testing and training can be found at: <http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/roads/vehicles/motorcycling/overnementsmotorcyclingst4550.pdf>

RESIDENTIAL METRO CARDS

Residents are entitled to a Free Annual Bus and Rail MetroCard for West Yorkshire (1 per household). Please ask your Customer Experience Manager for further information.



Travel Information

From time to time you may be asked to complete a short travel survey. The information that you provide will help us introduce meaningful travel targets for all our members and also help monitor how any sustainable travel measures that we have introduced are operating.

Travel Plan Coordinator

In the first instance please contact a member of the on-site sales team for any questions or suggestions that you may have for your travel plan needs.