The Park, Wythenshawe

Welcome Pack / Sustainable Brochure

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About Watson Construction Ltd

Watson Construction Ltd is committed to increasing sustainable travel for all residents. As a new resident at The Park, Wythenshawe, you can help Watson Construction Ltd support this vision.

During the planning process a Travel Plan was developed and is now being implemented. The Travel Information Pack you are reading is just part of this plan to give you the information you need regarding travel.

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Why should I read this…

Travelling can be expensive and time consuming, and our travel behaviour can sometimes get stuck in a rut. With this in mind, this Travel Information Pack aims to provide you with all the information you will need to make an informed decision on how best to travel on your future commuting and leisure journeys.

Travel Survey

Linked to the Planning Application consent, travel surveys will be undertaken to help the Council understand how you and other members of your household travel and how travel in your area could be improved. Surveys will take place shortly and will continue to take place annually.

About this pack

The Pack

This Travel Information Pack has been funded by Watson Construction Ltd and is designed to give you all the information you need regarding sustainable travel in and around your local area.

This Travel Information Pack provides a range of travel options which could help you to:

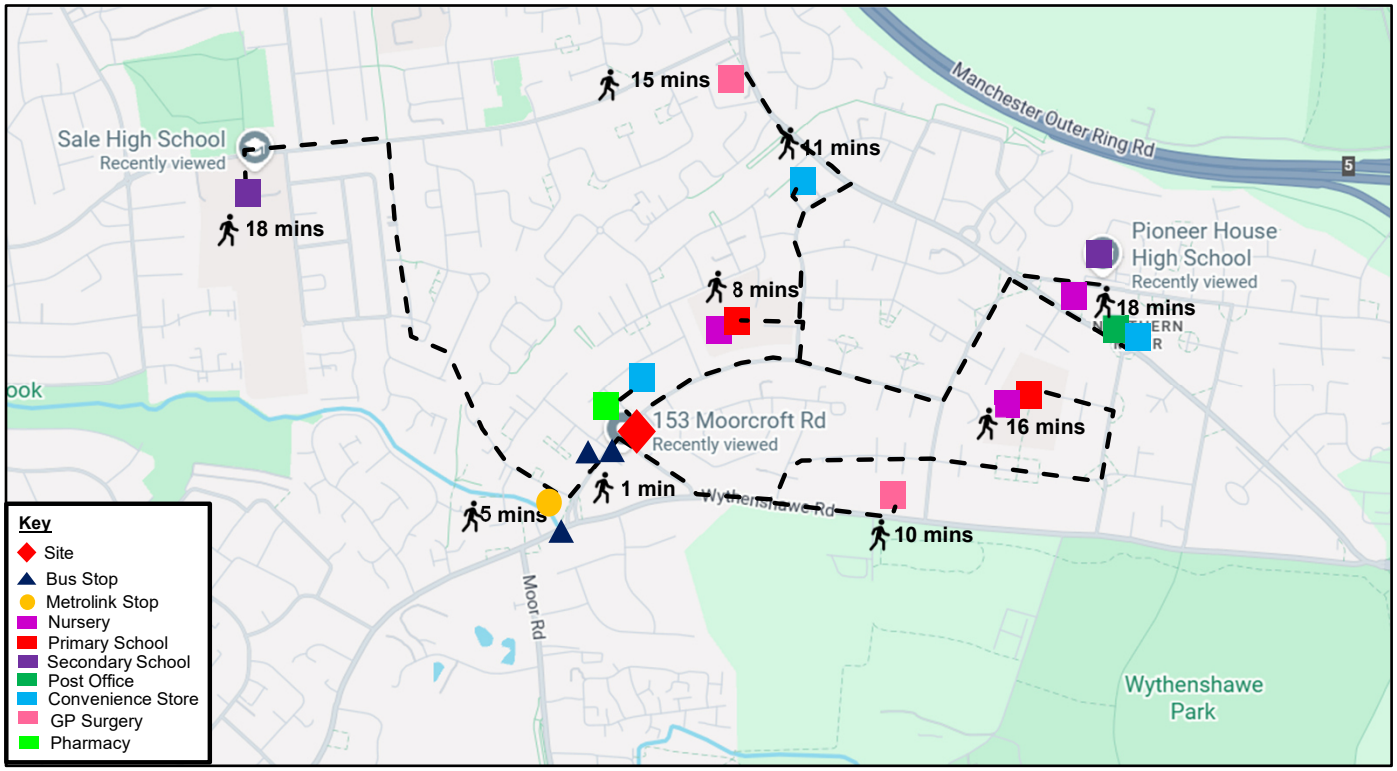
- Save money
- Cut down time spent travelling
- Travel sustainably
- Improve your health

Travel options within this pack include walking, cycling, public transport and car use. We have also included information on journey planning options, cost calculators and taxis.

Please keep your Travel Information Pack in a safe place for future reference.



Your Local Area



A wide range of facilities are available within two kilometres of the site, which takes approximately 30 minutes to walk. Some of the nearby facilities are shown in the table below and the map overleaf.

Facility	Description	Distance from Site
Convenience Store	Tesco Express, Moorcroft Road	25m
Bus Stop	Moorcroft Pharmacy, Moorcroft Road	30m
Bus Stop	Moorcroft Road / Aldfield Road (S-WB)	40m
Bus Stop	Moorcroft Road / Aldfield Road (N-EB)	85m
Bus Stop	Wythenshawe Park Metrolink (Stop A), Wythenshawe Road	240m
Metrolink Stop	Wythenshawe Park	400m
Primary School	Button Lane Primary School, Button Lane	550m
Nursery	Button Lane Nursery, Button Lane	550m
GP Surgery	Northern Moor Medical Practice, Wythenshawe Road	700m
GP Surgery	Boundary House Medical Centre, Northenden Road	1.1km
Primary School	Rack House Primary School, Yarmouth Drive	1.2km
Nursery	Rack House Nursery, Yarmouth Drive	1.2km
Nursery	Sale Road Children's Centre, Sale Road	1.2km
Post Office	Sale Circle Post Office, Sale Road	1.2km
Secondary School	Pioneer House High School, Yewtree Lane	1.3km
Convenience Store	Nisa Local, Sale Road	1.3km
Secondary School	Sale High School, Norris Road	1.4km

Walking and Cycling

There are lots of different ways to travel but travelling on foot and by bicycle are by far the healthiest and cheapest.

Whether travelling individually or as part of a group, walking or cycling to your destination instead of using a car or public transport can help you save money, improve your health, help you lose weight and get in shape, and increase confidence and independence.

On shorter journeys, choosing to walk or cycle could help you reach your destination faster than using a car or public transport.

A number of facilities can be reached within 2km of the site, including public transport links such as bus stops and Metrolink stations, a post office, a pharmacy, convenience stores, primary and secondary schools and GP Surgeries.

A 2km walk takes approximately 30 minutes. Some key facilities within a 2km walk can be seen on the map on page 3.

Footways surrounding the site are wide, well surfaced and street lit.

Visit the following website for more information on walking:

- Bee Network Walking Works website (Bee Active – Walking) – A TfGM initiative that aims to encourage more people to walk as part of their daily routine.
- TfGM Active Travel (Bee Active - Walking and Cycling) – TfGM active travel information

Cycling is a cheap, efficient and healthy way to travel. Cycling also provides a predictable arrival time which is often quicker than driving or using public transport, as it is subject to fewer traffic and congestion delays.

Some of the destinations which can be reached by a 5km cycle ride can be seen on the map on page 6. These include:

Destination	Distance	Time
Cheadle	2.1 km	8 mins
Heald Green	3.3 km	10 mins
Wythenshawe Town Centre	4.1km	15 mins
Cheadle Hulme	4.3 km	14 mins
Gatley	4.3 km	15 mins

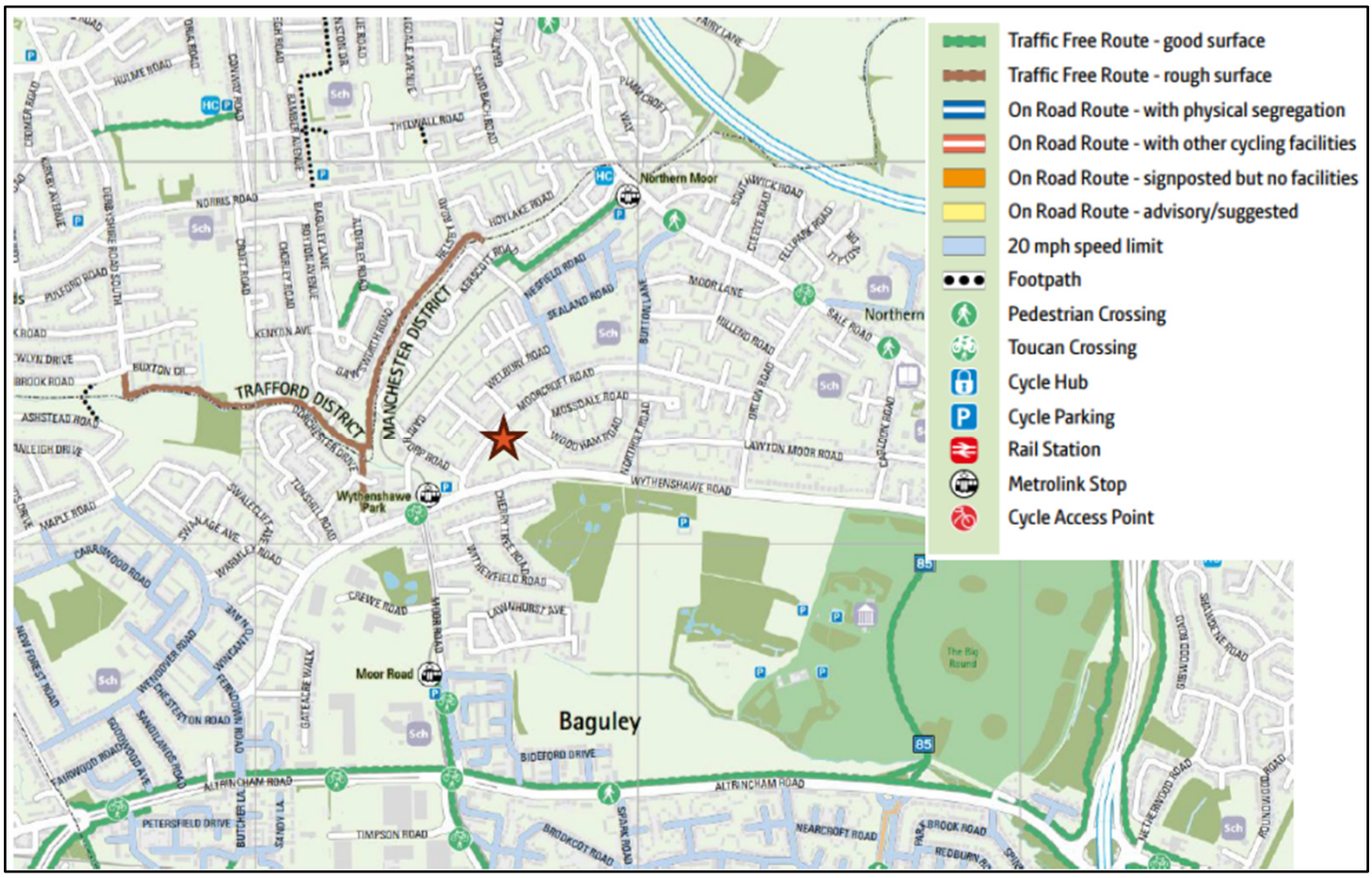
Visit the following websites for more information on walking and cycling :

- Walking and Cycling) – TfGM active travel information
- Bee Network Cycling website (Bee Active – Cycling) – A TfGM initiative to encourage people around Greater Manchester to cycle. It includes downloadable cycling maps, details on local cycle hubs and links to cycle training.
- Cycle Journey Planner and Cycle Map (The Bee Network - Cycling - District Maps)
- Sustrans (Sustrans) – Cycle maps and route planner





Cycle facilities surrounding your new home



Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) has a published cycle maps for each borough, a link to the Manchester Cycle Map can be found here: TfGM - Manchester Cycle Routes. The general topography in the area is reasonably flat, which encourages travel by cycle.

There are also national cycle routes in close proximity to the development, NCR 56 can be accessed within Wythenshawe Park, as can be seen in the above image. NCR 56 locally provided a connection with Withington and West Didsbury to the north, and Benchill and Newall Green to the south. Within the vicinity of your new home there are the following facilities;

- Traffic-free routes;
- 20mph speed limits on all road around local schools
- Toucan crossing points at main roads

Public Transport

Using public transport is convenient, enables you to get some exercise and could help you save money!

The closest bus stops are located along Moorcroft Road, approximately 40m and 85m (south-westbound and north-eastbound services, respectively) south-west of your new home. In addition to this there are bus stops located along Wythenshawe Road, approximately 240m to the south-west of your new home. These bus stops provide a range of destinations including Altrincham, Stockport, Cheadle, Heaton Mersey, Gatley, Sale and Northern Moor, amongst others. Services depart regularly, every 30 to 60 minutes depending on service and destination. There are also a number of school buses available from these stops, providing access to a range of high schools.

The table on page 7 shows the current routes which are accessible via the bus stops shown on your local area map.

A 1-day Bee Any Bus ticket allows for unlimited bus travel around Greater Manchester for £5. Weekly, monthly and annual tickets are also available.

In addition to this Wythenshawe Park Metrolink Station is located 400m south-west of you new home, less than a 5-minute walk.

This station is located on the dark blue line which provides a service between Manchester Airport and Manchester City Centre, via Wythenshawe Town Centre. There is the opportunity for residents to change at St Werburgh's Road for the purple or pink line service, which operates between East Didsbury and Rochdale, via Manchester City Centre and Oldham Town Centre.

An Anytime Travelcard for the Metrolink costs £7.10, but other tickets are available depending on destination and end zone.

Useful App

train

The **Trainline** app enables you to easily plan your next train journey, check live train times, view station information and buy paper or mobile tickets.





Public Transport Information

As demonstrated on Page 3, there a bus stops, less than a 1-minute walk from your new home on Moorcroft Road, as well as on Wythenshawe Road, less than a 5-minute walk to the south-west.

Services depart every 30 to 60 minutes from these stops. The below table summarises a selection of services that depart from the bus station.

Service No.	Destinations	Average Frequency (mins) Mon – Friday
249	Altrincham – Wythenshawe, via Sale, Northern Moor	30
370	Altrincham – Stockport, via Gatley, Cheadle, Cheadle Heath	60
371	Altrincham – Stockport, via Gatley, Cheadle, Heaton Mersey	60
754	East Didsbury – Loretto Grammar School, via Timperley, Altrincham	School Bus
762	Chorlton Bus Station – St Ambrose College, via Stretford, Sale, Baguley, Hale Barns	School Bus
772	Sale Moor – Altrincham College of Arts, via Northern Moor, Brooklands, Timperley	School Bus
779	Wythenshawe– Altrincham College of Arts	School Bus
810	Northern Moor – The Kingsway School, via Wythenshawe, Heald Green, Gatley	School Bus

Further bus and train information can be found here:

•Bee Network Transport Information (TfGM) – TfGM travel information available

•Bee Network Journey Planner (Plan a Journey) – TfGM interactive journey planner

•Bee Network Local Link (Bee Network - Local Link) - Local Link offers a flexible transport service for local journeys to and from areas where public transport services are limited.

•Coach information (National Express and Megabus)

•National train travel and real time train information (National Rail)

Concessionary Travel and Journey Planning

You could be eligible for concessionary travel. If you think you might be, please read the below sections, or contact TfGM.

All information and applications can be made on the TfGM Website:

- Discounted and Free Travel
- Tickets and Passes
- Find A Ticket
- Bee Network - Local Link

Under 11 Travel

Children under 5 travel for free when accompanied by a fare-paying passenger on most buses and trams and children aged 5-16 can pay child fares for tickets. This is the same for train travel.

Children aged 11-16 must have an igo card to travel using a child ticket on buses and trams in Greater Manchester.

School Transport

If your child is attending a school which requires bus travel you can find out what discounts you are entitled to by visiting:

- TfGM - School Travel

Railcards

National Rail offer a range of discounted tickets including Railcards for:

- Age groups: 16-25, 26-30 and Senior
- Family & Friends group travel
- Groups of two travelling together
- Disabled Persons

A Railcard typically costs £35 a year (£20 if you have a disability) with discounts for some cards if purchasing for 3 years. Find out more here: Railcard.

Journey Planning

Not sure how to get where you want to go? Journey planners can help! Two particularly useful journey planning websites are:

- National Traveline: Traveline
- TfGM: TfGM Journey Planner

Traveline contains region-specific journey planning support and can help you plan your bus or rail journey. The websites provide access to public transport information, as well as allowing you to develop journey plans, view timetables and find out about any public transport disruptions.



Car Use

Car sharing is the easiest change you can make!

Car sharing will help you save money, reduce your emissions and reduce congestion in the local area, making the roads quieter and safer.

Joining a car sharing scheme will enable you to simply and securely find others travelling in the same direction so you can arrange to share a car. It works whether you have a car or not – meaning you are able to travel either as a driver, or by joining someone else as a passenger.

If everyone car shared just once a week, there would be a 20% reduction in traffic. Why not register and give it a try today?

Car Share Schemes

Existing Car Share Schemes can be found at:

- Liftshare - Manchester

Log on, register and you can immediately enjoy the benefit of car sharing.

You can share a car for any journey, just enter the details of where and when you are going, it could be your daily commute to work, the weekly shop, taking the children to school, getting to or from university or even getting to the airport.

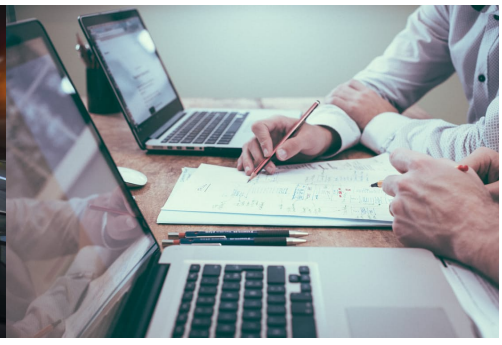
Car sharing has numerous benefits including:

- Saving up to £1000 a year
- Reducing the need for a private car
- Less environmental impact as the number of cars on the road are reduced
- Fewer parking problems

Useful App

Google Maps makes travelling anywhere easy. You can pick different transport modes and it will give you up to date travel information wherever you are looking to go.





Cars Costs, Taxis and Alternatives to Travel

Car Cost Calculator

Would you like to know how much your car costs to run on an annual basis? Why not check out a car cost calculator to find out car costs and get some tips on how to save money and fuel.

We've included some of our favourites below:

- This is Money – helps you to calculate the true cost of running a car: This is Money
- The AA – useful information on the costs of driving and how to keep the costs down where possible: The AA - Driving Costs
- Which? – annual fuel cost calculator: Which? - Annual Fuel Cost Calculator

Taxi Services

Provided below are a small selection of taxi firms who operate within your local area:

- Veezu – 0161 436 4000
- Scots Cars Taxis – 0161 973 3333
- Uber (Uber)

Alternatives to Travel:

Working from Home

Moving to a new home is a time of change, so it presents a good opportunity to think about other changes that could make your life easier, such as working from home.

Working from the comfort of your home has become increasingly popular over the last few years, and especially since the COVID pandemic, and many companies feel it is no longer necessary to be in the office full-time to be a productive member of the team. High-speed internet connections, multiple points within the home for telephone and internet, and home office space all help to make home working an attractive option for many.

Why not speak to your employer and see if it's an option for you?

Internet Shopping

All kinds of shopping goods can now be ordered on the internet and delivered to your home, saving you time, legwork, parking stresses and hassle.

Most companies have websites which enable you to order anything from food shopping, to garden furniture, to home decorating items. Many items have free delivery and easy return policies.

Why not consider changing the way you shop, and putting your feet up instead?





Further Information & Comments

For further information on any of the content within this travel pack please contact your Travel Plan Coordinator at info@scptransport.co.uk

We would like to reduce the use of paper in issuing newsletters/leaflets which will be prepared to keep all residents up to date on events, initiatives and any service changes which take place and will therefore use email where possible. If you would prefer to receive paper copies, please email your Travel Plan Coordinator.

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