

Transport

The Issues:

Capacity of buses and trains at peak times.
Bus and train timetable integration.
Timetabling of evening and weekend services.
A bus service for Thornhill Road.

Background

Comments were made in the Parish Plan questionnaire responses about the cost and frequency of buses and trains.

The issue of overcrowding on trains at peak times was raised as well as the need for bus and train timetables to coincide. It was felt that if more buses could coincide with trains then the parking problems at the Station could be eased.

In 2005 the Parish Council delivered a questionnaire to the residents of Thornhill Road and the surrounding streets. A total of 77 (22%) residents responded and of these 77% said they would use a service on Thornhill Road.

School traffic causes congestion on the village roads at peak times.



Action:

Encourage TransDev to review bus timetables, especially for evening and weekend services.
Review all transport links within the villages, to explore whether buses and trains can be timetabled to coincide.

Encourage TransDev to explore the possibility of more buses going via the railway station Press for a bus to service the Thornhill Road area, this is important due to the increasing age of residents.

Investigate the possibility of having a bus at school times to ferry children from land at the top of Curren Walk to Steeton Top to help reduce 'school run' traffic.

Lobby Metro to increase capacity of trains during morning and evening peak times.

Press Metro and the Rail Operators for the urgent extension of low cost fares to Skipton.

Link housing and development to transport by site.

Partners:

Parish council
BMDC.
Metro., TransDev, Northern Rail.
Area Co-Ordinator's office.
Steeton and Silsden Joint Transport Working Group.

Timescale:

Urgent and ongoing

