

Current Transport Issues

For people who walk, wheel, and cycle in the area, we know this can be unappealing particularly when it is busy and there is lots of traffic. We have already looked at a potential solution to improve the walking, wheeling, and cycling routes between Saltburn and Marske, please have a look at our plans.

We also know that buses can often be held up when travelling through Marske, Saltburn, and Loftus, which causes longer and less reliable journeys.

We have identified transport **issues** around the following locations:

Marske-by-the-Sea: High Street

- Bus stops and pedestrian crossings are not always located in the most convenient places.
- Bus waiting areas could be improved to make the area nicer for passengers to wait.
- Bus journeys can take longer than they should especially at busy times.
- There are separate plans to improve Marske Square led by a local Housing Association called “Beyond Housing” who own the square. Improving the pavements around Marske Square and the rest of the town centre could help Marske be a more attractive place to visit and shop.

Saltburn-by-the-Sea: Windsor Road

- There is slow traffic through Saltburn on Windsor Road meaning all journeys including buses take longer than they should especially at busy times.
- Parked vehicles result in slow journeys for all vehicles using Windsor Road.
- Bus waiting areas could be improved to make the area nicer for passengers to wait.

Loftus: West Road

- Traffic moves slowly through Loftus meaning all journeys including bus journeys can take longer than they are meant to, especially at busy times.
- During busy periods, queues at the West Road / Station Road junction can create delays for all vehicles.
- Bus waiting areas could be improved to make the area nicer for passengers to wait.

[If you think there are other issues in this area, please let us know on the feedback form.](#)

Opportunities

We want to help improve bus, walking, wheeling, and cycling journeys and make these more attractive travel options. We have identified some initial ideas to help solve them. Here are some **opportunities** that may help address the issues in this area:

- Traffic light systems that give buses priority at junctions and queue jump lanes.
- Upgrade bus stops and surroundings to improve the waiting environment for people using the bus.
- Improve car parking management.
- Improve paths for walking, wheeling, and cycling.
- Improve road crossings for pedestrians.

Other types of transport **opportunities** could include:

- Improve the layout of junctions and roads to allow buses to get ahead of vehicles at junctions.
- Implement intelligent traffic management systems to reduce overall congestion and improve traffic flow.
- Introduce measures to give buses priority over other vehicles, such as a dedicated bus gate.
- Introduce cycle priority measures such as dedicated lanes and crossings.
- Reduce general traffic speeds with traffic calming or reducing speed limits to improve road safety.

Benefits

These may offer the following **benefits**:

- Faster journey times for buses using priority measures.
- Buses can bypass waiting traffic, so they can move ahead more quickly resulting in more reliable journey times.
- Buses could move through junctions more efficiently and red-light waiting times could reduce.
- Reduced congestion and queuing could result in more reliable journeys for all vehicles.

Loftus, Saltburn and Marske Connectivity



- Safer, joined up and more attractive walking, wheeling, and cycling paths including wider paths, segregation from vehicles and new paths.
- Safer walking, wheeling, and cycling crossings.
- More attractive local places to shop and visit.

Impacts

We recognise that there may be some **impacts**, these could include:

- Other traffic may need to give-way to buses.
- Some roads may need to be widened.
- We may need to review the existing on-street parking.
- Drivers and passengers in cars and other vehicles may have to wait slightly longer at traffic lights or junctions.
- May reduce available space for other road users.
- Drivers may need to use alternative routes.

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