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1.0. Introduction

This report has been prepared to provide residents of Lion Close, Earl Shilton, with information on which sustainable travel choices are available in the area for them to access. The following report will outline the travel choices provided but it is advisable that residents seek up to date information on the travel routes before planning a journey.

2.0. Bus Routes

Earl Shilton is serviced with direct bus route links to the major towns and cities surrounding, including Hinckley, Nuneaton and Leicester. Access to these places can be serviced by the 158 Leicester to Nuneaton Arriva bus that runs daily from Earl Shilton.

The nearest bus stop to access this travel route is the '*Earl Shilton Keats Lane*' stop, approximately 300m south of the Lions Close development, near the junction of Hill Top, Keats Lane and High Street. For services heading to Leicester, the bus stop is a further 50m down High Street.

From either Leicester or Nuneaton, access can be reached to the nationwide '*Stagecoach*' network. For further information on the '*Stagecoach*' network, please visit their website at <https://www.stagecoachbus.com/plan-a-journey>.

Bus passes of various sorts can be applied for at <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/>.

3.0. Train Travel

The nearest train stations to your home are the stations in Hinckley (4.9miles) or Narborough (6.1miles). Both stations are serviced by '*CrossCountry*' train services, from which national rail services can be reached.

For further details on timetables and routes, please visit <https://www.thetrainline.com/>.

4.0. Cycling

Cycling can provide an environmentally and economically sustainable form of transport, as well as contribute to a healthier physical and mental health. Earl Shilton has cycle routes that go through the town into neighbouring towns and villages, as well as identified quieter roads for cycling outside of the settlements. Please see Appendix 1 for more information.

The National Cycle Network is a UK-wide network of signed paths and routes for walking, wheeling, cycling and exploring outdoors. The map, which can be navigated at <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/national-cycle-network/> provides details of freely accessible routes from which to create your own travel plans. Opportunities to purchase and repair bikes are available through Earl Shilton and Hinckley, with a repair/service shop around the corner from your home at *The Cycle Shed, 21, Park Road, Leicester, LE9 7EB* and retailers like *Halfords* and *Bikes & Sports* in Hinckley. Some businesses may offer schemes to help with the affordability of purchasing a bike, including the Governments Cycle2Work

and Leicestershire's Wheels to Work scheme. More information can be found online.

5.0. Walking

Discover over 3000km of public rights of way in Leicester and Leicestershire. This includes footpaths, bridleways and byways across the city and county, as well as long distance trails. Earl Shilton is also furnished with extensive public footpaths and bridleways to access the local area which provides excellent opportunities to explore the region and improve physical health. One of the best ways to get out and explore is by joining a local walking group and spend time with like-minded people. These groups organize walks, and more information can be found at *The Ramblers* page or by searching for walking events in your area online.

If getting out is something you'd rather organize yourself, then information on local public footpaths and bridleways can be found online for free from the Ordnance Survey <https://explore.osmaps.com/> or <https://footpathmap.co.uk/>. Appended in Appendix 2 below is a view from the Ordnance Survey online map, showing footpath immediately adjacent to your home.

Appendix 1

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Cycling in the Hinckley and Bosworth area

The towns of Hinckley and Market Bosworth are surrounded by many of Leicestershire's prettiest villages and rolling countryside.

Hinckley itself has excellent cycling facilities including connections with nearby Earl Shilton, Barnwell and

Burghage as well as routes around the town centre and railway station.

The area is home to one of the country's most important historical sites – **Bosworth Battlefield** and its award winning Heritage Centre. The site includes some fantastic walking and cycling routes, and the Tiltle Barn Restaurant is a great place to go for a rest stop.

Close by is the **Asby Canal**, with waterside routes and the **Battfield Line** – complete the unique 'Cycle and Steam' circular route from Shakerstone to Shenton stations, returning with your bike on the heritage railway line.

Nestled further east on the edge of Charnwood Forest is **Norton Reservoir**, another of Leicestershire's great leisure cycling routes including a marked woodland track.

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- 1 Download the free BetterPoints app
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- 3 Donate your points to charity or exchange them for rewards

Get started at choosehowyoumove.co.uk/betterpoints

Download or view our other cycling maps at www.choosehowyoumove.co.uk/cycling

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For more details please refer to Leicestershire County Council Map

Appendix 2

