



Member Update: Summer 2021

Are you thinking about returning to the office soon? West Yorkshire employees are sharing their top tips on travelling sustainably in our latest blog. [Read now.](#)



I can work, rest or play on the train depending on how I am feeling and what deadlines I have - it's fantastic.

Chris Taylor, commutes from Bolton to Leeds

What's happening

Mayor of West Yorkshire - As the first Mayor of West Yorkshire, Tracy Brabin has pledged to bring buses back under public control, introduce simpler fares, contactless ticketing and greener buses, and tackle the climate emergency and protect our environment. For the latest news on the Mayor, visit [westyorks-ca.gov.uk](https://www.westyorks-ca.gov.uk).

Walking support - To help employers realise the benefits of more employees choosing to walk as part of their working day, CityConnect is now offering support to businesses through a range of measures to help staff in West Yorkshire workplaces get walking. For more information visit, cityconnect.co.uk/get-walking. To register your interest, email CityConnect@westyorks-ca.gov.uk.



Bradford

National Powerhouse Rail Plans for Bradford – Bradford's St James's Wholesale Market is the planned location for a new city centre Northern Powerhouse Rail station. The Station will serve Bradford City Centre and reduce journey times to Leeds to 7 minutes and 22 minutes to Manchester. [Watch the announcement.](#)



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Calderdale

Huge investment boost for Brighouse - Brighouse is set to receive £19.1 million of investment to fund improvements in the town as part of the Government's Towns Fund. Improvements will include more facilities for people to cycle or walk in and around the town centre. [Read more](#).

Kirklees

Congestion reduction plans - Kirklees Council has shared plans to tackle congestion, long journey times and poor air quality on the A62 and A644 in the Cooper Bridge area. [Find out more and have your say](#) on the proposal before 18 July 2021.

Leeds

WalkitRideit campaign - A campaign has launched to support a city-wide movement towards greener travel in Leeds. WalkitRideit aims to encourage people to consider walking or cycling short journeys including school runs, local parks and shops and to and from work. [Join the campaign](#).

Excellent bus service for Leeds - Leeds Civic Trust has launched, Imagine an Excellent Bus Service for Leeds – a new project to improve public transport in the city. Get involved and share your ideas to help make Leeds a city with the best bus service in the UK. Visit, excellentbusesleeds.org.uk.

Wakefield

Climate change progress - Wakefield Council is making progress with addressing its carbon emissions and supporting the district to become carbon neutral. For more information, including EV charging points, visit citizen.wakefield.gov.uk.

Events

Liftshare Webinar, 6 June - We would love you to join us for a TPN Liftshare webinar where we get back to basics and ask, why Liftshare? [Sign up for free](#).

Walking webinar, 28 July - We are hosting a webinar in partnership with CityConnect to highlight the benefits of walking and the support available to businesses in the region. More information to be shared in the coming weeks.



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Cycle to Work Day, 5 August – To sign up to Cycle to Work Day visit, cycletoworkday.org. Don't forget the Travel Plan network can support you with cycle training through our partners at CityConnect. Get in touch for more information.



Good news stories

CHALLENGE 2038

To celebrate National Walking Month in May, we launched Challenge 2038, recognising our region's target to become a net-zero carbon economy by 2038. Over 80 members got involved and collectively walked 5,065 miles, more than double our target. Huge congratulations and thanks to everyone who participated.



Other

Corporate M-Card price changes - Pricing has changed from 1 June 2021. The new prices are in the table below.

Ticket type	Price from 1 June 2021	
	Full Price	12% discount
Bus Only	930.00	818.40
Zones 1- 3	1,273.70	1,120.86
Zones 1- 4	1,496.30	1,316.74
Zones 1- 5	1,796.40	1,580.83
Zones 2- 5	1,254.70	1,104.14

Northern rail timetable update - New changes to Northern's timetable include more frequent services across many routes. Some services have also been temporarily removed or reduced, which may affect your journey. You can view the new timetable at northernrailway.co.uk.

Welcoming Gemma Bridge, the Running Mayor of Leeds - #RunSome is a new campaign launched to inspire people to run more. Running can boost health and fitness, bring communities together and help the environment. Gemma Bridges was appointed the Running Mayor for Leeds to bring the campaign to life and inspire change in the region. She is keen to encourage and support workplaces to make running easier for all. To find out more email, LeedsRunningMayor@hotmail.com.



More information

For more information about any of the above or if you need any support from the Travel Plan Network Team, please contact your Business Travel Advisor or email tpn@westyorks-ca.gov.uk.