

Travel Matters



WHITEHILL + BORDON
COMMUNITY TRAVEL PLAN

Whitehill & Bordon Travel Matters: Issue 16

Hampshire County Council's Travel Planning Team is delivering a Community Travel Plan for Whitehill and Bordon. Our focus is helping you to travel more actively and sustainably by supporting you to swap car journeys for more walking, cycling and shared transport.

Green Loop survey highlights



In June and August, we invited residents to share their views on the Green Loop through a short survey. We have received a total of 100 responses, which we've now analysed. Here are some of the key highlights:

- The most frequently used sections of the Green Loop were Hogmoor Inclosure (75% of respondents used this section) and Bordon Inclosure (70%).
- The largest proportion of respondents use the Green Loop on weekdays (39%) and for exercise (66%) and recreation (57%).

- There was general satisfaction with the Green Loop. Around half thought that the information boards (51%), paths for walking/ wheeling (48%) and cycle paths (46%) were good. Additionally, 68% had recommended it to others.
- Views on signage were mixed, with 42% of respondents satisfied and 27% dissatisfied. Unclear signage was the most frequently reported concern, mentioned by 42% of respondents. Additionally, 22% of those who left further comments highlighted the need for better signage and waymarking to help users navigate the loop in both directions.
- In terms of improvements or additions to the Loop, just under half of respondents requested litter bins (48%) and dog waste bins (44%). A third (33%) wanted to see water fountains installed.
- Over a third of Loop users said they now walked more (38%) or ran more (40%), while over two thirds reported cycling more often (68%). Respondents also reported an improvement in their health and wellbeing (72%) and engagement with the natural environment (72%).

The full survey results will be available soon on the My Journey Hampshire Whitehill and Bordon webpage.

The Bordon Town Taxishare



Did you know there is a taxishare service which operates in the Bordon area for just £1 a journey?

The taxishare is a pre-bookable public transport service for anyone who needs to travel between Bordon Forest Centre, Chalet Hill Shops, Bordon Post Office and Hogmoor Caravan Site. The service operates Monday to Saturday between 10 am and 2 pm.

To use the taxishare service you must register with Hampshire County Council by calling 01962 846785 or by visiting hants.gov.uk/connect. You will then receive a membership pack including the booking number to ring when you would like to travel.

Move more, smile more: healthy winter activities for all

As winter days reach their shortest and darkest and the chill sets in, it's tempting to stay indoors. But winter is a wonderful time to embrace the outdoors! Fresh air, rain, and even a brisk breeze can boost your immune system and lift your mood. Here are some simple ideas to help you spend more time outside.



Wellbeing Nature Walk in Hogmoor Inclosure. Join this free regular walk in Hogmoor Inclosure, happening every first Thursday of the month. Meeting point is Café Hogmoor at 10 am. The walk lasts for about an hour.

Enjoy the outdoors, chat with others, and finish with a drink in the café. Supported by The Land Trust, Deadwater Valley, East Hants PCN, and Swan PCN.

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Wellbeing Walk with NHS Health Coach Zoë for registered patients at Bordon surgeries. Led by an NHS Health Coach and supported by The Ramblers Association, this free walk through Deadwater Valley starts at Forest Surgery car park every Wednesday at 10:00 am and lasts about 50 minutes.

Junior Ranger after school club for primary-aged children

Have little ones at home bored after school? Why not join the Junior Rangers Club - a place to move, reconnect with nature, and keep your children screen-free.

The aim is to learn about nature, wildlife, and our environment in fun, interactive, and exciting ways. All sessions take place outdoors, mostly in woodland (except in really bad weather).

There are three after-school clubs run by Deadwater Valley Trust from September to July:

- One on first Thursday of the month in Bordon Inclosure
- One on second Thursday of the month in Deadwater Valley Local Nature Reserve
- One on third Monday of the month in Hogmoor Inclosure

All clubs run from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm and include a drink and a small snack.

Each group has a capacity of ten children, so places must be booked in advance.

The groups work towards nationally recognised awards, which require Junior Rangers to attend a fixed number of hours to complete.

Please email julie@deadwatervalleytrust to enquire about a place at Junior Rangers.

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