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SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL GUIDE



SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL AT LINMERE

Welcome to your sustainable travel information pack. This pack has been designed by the Linnere team in conjunction with Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) to deliver a range of useful tools to help you make sustainable travel choices.

In the pack you'll find information about cycling and walking routes, bus services, the EV Car Club and lots of tips to help you, and your family, maintain a healthy and active lifestyle, all whilst keeping car usage to a minimum.

Travel Planning Support

Central Bedfordshire Council provide a dedicated travel plan coordinator for Linnere, who can support residents with:

- Gather feedback from residents
- Make travel options easy to use and information available
- Promote sustainable travel events both locally and nationally
- Organise cycling and walking initiatives and events

Residents can contact the Travel Plan Coordinator for any travel needs or personalised planning: linmeretravel@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk



Linnere’s travel plan has been accredited as “**Excellent**” under the Modeshift Travel Planning Criteria. This makes Linnere the first residential development in the country to achieve an Excellent rating.



The FARMSTEAD

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The Farmstead is the heart and soul of Linmere. It acts as a focal point of the whole community with ROAM café bistro, several retail spaces, community halls, the cycling hub and a playground, it’s a key destination within Linmere.

From this central point within Linmere you can reach several key amenities within the wider area.

Amenity	Walk Time	Cycle Time
APP Bike Hire Station	On site	On site
Aspen Crescent Play Area	9 minutes	2 minutes
EV Car Club	On Site	On Site
Houghton Regis Dental Centre	33 minutes	9 minutes
Houghton Regis Leisure Centre	17 minutes	4 minutes
Houghton Regis Library	30 minutes	7 minutes
Houghton Regis Medical Centre	29 minutes	7 minutes
Houstone School	18 minutes	5 minutes
Lidl, Houghton Regis	8 minutes	3 minutes
Lime Tree Drive Play Area	9 minutes	3 minutes
Linmere Cycling Hub	On Site	On Site
Linmere Park Play Area	7 minutes	2 minutes
Morrisons, Houghton Regis	34 minutes	7 minutes
Linmere Pump Track	7 minutes	2 minutes
Ouzel Brook	8 minutes	3 minutes
Thornhill School	9 minutes	4 minutes
Tithe Skate Park & Football	21 minutes	5 minutes





PUBLIC TRANSPORT AROUND LINMERE

BUS ROUTES

There are bus services passing through Linnere that can connect residents with neighbouring towns including Houghton Regis, Luton and Dunstable.

Bus stops are located on Sundon Road opposite The Farmstead, Waterslade Way opposite the allotment car park and Silver Birch Avenue on the corner with Rowan Bank.

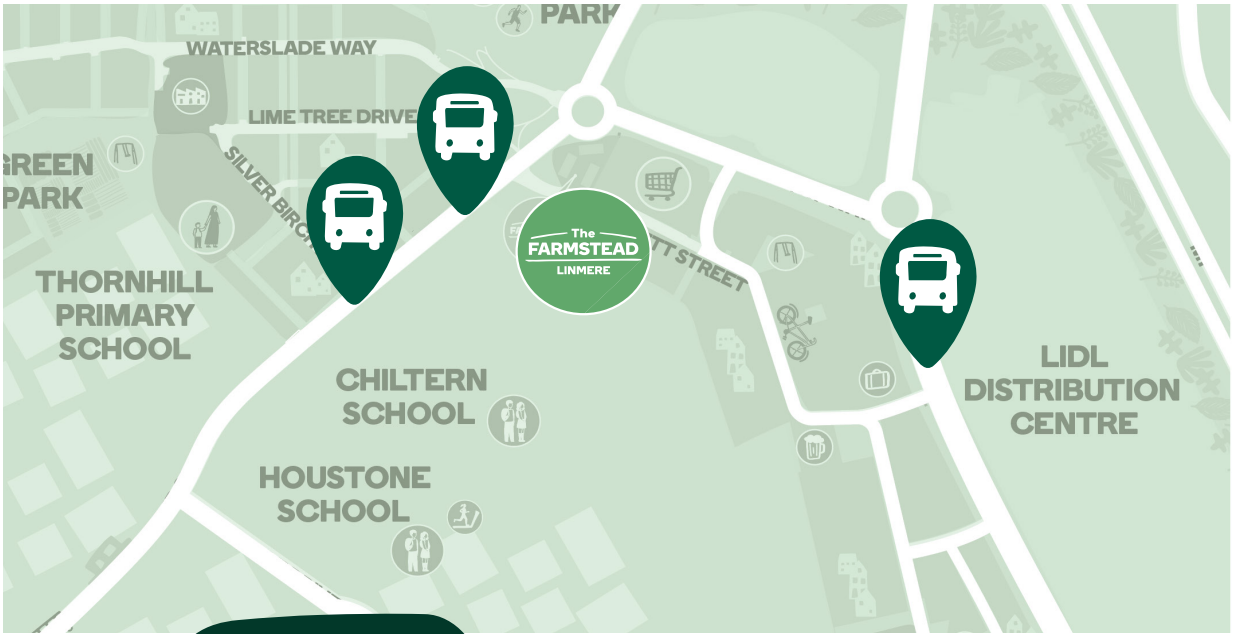
Jo Service – every hour through Linnere traveling into Houghton Regis and along the Busway and arriving at Luton Interchange within 24 minutes.

L Service – every 15 minutes through Linnere travelling through Lewsey farm to Luton Interchange in 42 minutes.

To check your nearest stop and travel times visit the Travelline Southwest website here: www.travelinesw.com

E Service – every 1.5 hours along Sundon Road traveling between Toddington and Luton Town Centre. There are various further connections that can be made from Luton Town Centre.

23 Service – every 30 minutes adjacent to Lidl Distribution Centre traveling into Luton Town centre.



As Linnere grows we'll be looking to bring additional bus routes into the development, there are future plans for a service around the neighbourhood centre adjacent to Thornhill Primary School.



TRAIN SERVICES

Train services are available from both Leagrave and Luton train stations which provide access to Central London, Bedford and The North.

Luton station is served by several bus routes including the Jo Service and the L Service.

Leagrave station is accessible via the National Cycle Route 6 and is about a 10–15-minute journey from Linnere. There are bike storage facilities, and an APP Bike hire service at the station.

WALKING

Linnere has been designed as a five-minute neighbourhood. There are many interesting, meaningful destinations located across the development to enable walking as an easy, attractive and fun way to travel.

Day to day amenities are all within easy reach, with clear waymarking, footpaths and safe crossing incorporated across the development.

We have developed a series of leisure walking loops for families to destinations beyond Linnere. Plus, interactive walking trails within the development to spark children's interest in outdoor living and activity. All these trails and maps can be collected from The Farmstead and are accessible on the Linnere website.



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CYCLING

The Farmstead is home to the Linmere Cycling Hub. This hub provides you with everything to get out cycling including courses, routes and information for the first time cyclist through to those that want to join clubs and compete in local races.

Residents of Linmere can visit the hub at anytime and will receive discounts on purchases and courses the team are running, as well as meet likeminded cyclists in the local area.

Linmere has been designed to actively encourage cycling and incorporates a strategic cycle route and cycle friendly roads across the development and cycle parking is available at key locations across the development.

For those that enjoy leisure cycling there are local clubs and Linmere Park has a specialised pump track. The track is available for all ages and abilities to enjoy, so why not get your heart racing and give it a go.



APP-BIKE

Linmere has a dedicated bike hire scheme called App-Bike.

This app based self-service bike hire system allows residents to hire bikes for leisure or travel at any time convenient to them. There are designated hire points across Linmere including at The Farmstead. Bike hire can be started and ended at any of these points including Morrisons in Houghton Regis and Leagrave Train Station.

To use the bikes residents will need to register in the App-Bike app and provide a proof of address for verification.



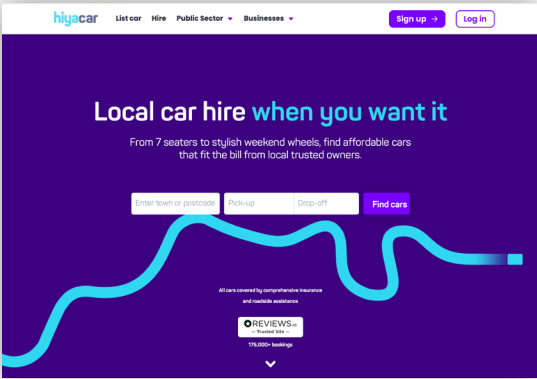
LINMERE EV CAR CLUB

Linmere residents have access to a dedicated EV car club.

The EV car club is operated by hiyacar and provides two electric vehicles for hire directly from The Farmstead. The car club is a low-cost alternative to car ownership or leasing and provides easy accessibility to vehicles for short term hire when needed.

With QuickStart keyless technology accessing the vehicles is effortless – cars are available 24/7 so there’s no hassle or key collection necessary. The online signup process is straightforward meaning you’ll be on the road before you know it. Membership to the car club does require a full, valid driving license registered at a UK address for at least a year and no more than six points on their license.

To find out more about the scheme or sign up visit: www.hiyacar.co.uk



LINKS AND OTHER RESOURCES

There are a wide range of travel planning apps and resources that can assist you in making sustainable travel choices.

Local Resources

- App Bike: app-bike.co.uk
- Centrebus: centrebus.info/bus-service/luton
- Thameslink: thameslinkrailway.com
- Hiya Car: hiyacar.co.uk

National Resources

- Change for Life: nhs.uk/Change4life
- Rambles: rambles.org.uk
- We are Cycling UK: ctr.org.uk
- Sustrans: Sustrans.org.uk
- National Rail: nationalrail.co.uk

