

# Travelling Light

Monthly news and updates



April 2023

**Hello!**

This month saw the launch of Commonplace, an online platform to help us create a travel and transport system Hope Valley deserves! If you haven't already, please head to [Hope Valley Travelling Light - Commonplace](#) to have your say.

Here's a reminder of our vision: "The beautiful Hope Valley will be a great place to live, work and visit due to the integrated systems of high quality public transport, linked to excellent walking and cycling routes and shared electric cars and bikes. Our roads will be safer and quieter; residents and visitors will be healthier and nature will flourish as low-emission and active travel options have become the norm".

**Next Travel & Transport Meeting** - 4 May 7pm. Click [here](#) to join.

Key items for discussion:

- [Commonplace](#) - Community Engagement
- High Peak and Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership - developments on the Hope Valley line

## Inclusive Active Travel - Walking Wheeling & Cycling



WALKING AND  
WHEELING  
WORKSHOP

- We ran a successful "walkshop" on Tuesday 18 April, called "How to make Walking for Everyday purposes more inclusive". We met at Bamford Train Station and walked and talked/wheeled and spied our way to Hope Valley Garden Centre, then on the Angler's Rest at Bamford where we considered questions together such as "how can we reprioritise people and place" and "how can we inspire everyday walking?". Many thanks to Joanna Collins in helping to set this event up and to everyone who attended. We will be pulling together everyone's comments and suggestions and drafting a Walking & Wheeling strategy for next steps.

- Did you know campaign group [20's Plenty For Us](#) host monthly Zoom meetings on how to best influence your local authority to adopt lower speed limits? Visit their website for more information.

## Integrated Public Transport

- New Derbyshire Wayfarer bus tickets start from 24 April. 1 and 7 day tickets are valid for travel on any bus in Derbyshire: [Derbyshire Wayfarer | TravelMaster \(sytravelmaster.com\)](#)
- New seasonal bus service to start from late May bank holiday - [Hulleys of Baslow](#) "Breezer". This seasonal service will run every weekend from the late May bank holiday until early September, with 7 day a week operations during school holidays. The Breezer will run hourly from Baslow to Longshaw to Castleton, with guaranteed connections onto the existing 170 service from Chesterfield at Baslow.
- You might be interested to read a new report from TUC on public transport as a vital factor of a decarbonised and thriving economy: [PublicTransportForTheClimateEmergency .pdf \(tuc.org.uk\)](#)

## Reduced Fossil Fuel Dependency

- Please can all supporters take the time to complete Derbyshire County Council's consultation on EV charging infrastructure: [Electric vehicle charging in your area - Derbyshire County Council](#)
- We are partnering with Midlands Connect/Cenex on the Moving Together Digital Hub project which will provide an interactive platform to roll out community car, lift and EV charging sharing across the Hope Valley. The digital hub is in development and we hope to set out more details as to how you can get involved in the coming months.

## Innovation and Spreading Change

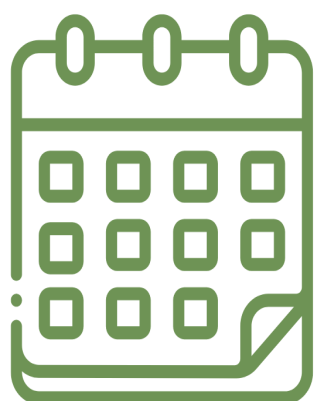
- Community Conversation Launch - we publicly launched our platform on Commonplace on Monday 24 April. Thanks to everyone who has used the site so far. Commonplace is an online, interactive engagement platform which will help residents and visitors to Hope Valley join us on our journey as we create a fully functioning travel and transport system for Hope Valley, together. If you haven't already, please visit <https://hopevalleytravellinglight.commonplace.is> to get started.
- Throughout the spring onwards we'll be out and about in Hope Valley villages starting Community Conversations - if you'd like to help in some small (or big!) way in your village, please [complete this form](#).

### Filming with sustainable businesses



- Filming with sustainable businesses - This month Marianne and Trish have been working with local filmmaker Jess James and local businesses [The Anglers Rest](#), [The Adventure Hub](#), [Underleigh House B&B](#), [Sladen Lodge](#), and [Losehill House Hotel and Spa](#) to showcase the steps they are taking to becoming more sustainable. The films will be used in May and June to help promote sustainable tourism.

- Youth project - The youth engagement project with King Edward's School in Sheffield and Students Organising for Sustainability (SOS-UK) is about to get underway, supporting 4 groups of 5 students, from years 7-9 (ages 11-14), to become Travelling Light Youth Champions. The programme starts on 26 April and will include a training day, an experience day and a presentation day for young people. The group will learn about sustainability and climate justice, problem solving, and "teach the teacher" sessions. Young people have been invited to create their own campaign about public transport in Hope Valley - watch this space!



## Events



**Edale Community Travel Conversation** - Tuesday 9 May, 10.00 to 12.00, Edale Village Hall

Come and join us as we kick off conversations about travel with residents of Edale. We'll be discussing where we go, how we get there and how improved active travel and public transport could transform Edale for residents, and visitors. It's a chance to learn more about Commonplace and Travelling Light.

**Inclusivity and Accessibility Workshop** - Monday 22 May, 10am - 1pm, location TBC

This in-person workshop is an opportunity to learn and develop our ideas about how to make Travelling Light as Inclusive and Accessible as possible, and why that's key to making the project a success. Book here: <https://actionnetwork.org/events/inclusivity-and-accessibility-workshop>



Look out for the new **Calls to Action** section of the bulletin - a roundup of simple ways you can take action this month to help build our movement.

This month's **Calls to Action** are:

- Complete [Commonplace](#)
- Ask three other people to complete

Commonplace

- Complete the [DCC consultation on EV charging](#)
- Share an environmental message (e.g.

Commonplace or a message about active travel) on social media



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