

7.36 Local Pedestrian Network

The main focus of the pedestrian network in the study area is the pedestrianised section of Spring Gardens. Footways are also present on Station Road and, together with Spring Gardens, these form the main east-west pedestrian routes through the study area. North-south pedestrian links are somewhat limited, due to the Spring Gardens Centre and the retaining wall and associated level differences to the south of Station Road.

7.37 At the eastern end of the study area, a pedestrian link between Station Road and Spring Gardens is provided via New Wye Street and Wye Street and the crossing of Station Road is assisted by a pelican crossing to the west of the New Wye Street roundabout, although many pedestrians cross using the deflection islands at the entries to the roundabout, which provide a more direct, if less safe, route.

7.38 A second north-south link is provided via a ramp down from Station Road into the Spring Gardens Centre car park and then through the shopping centre. However, this route is indirect, runs through a car park and is restricted to the opening hours of the shopping centre. Additionally, no crossing facilities on Station Road are conveniently located for this route.

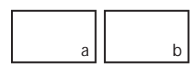
7.38 Station Approach provides the final north-south route and the principal route between the railway station and the town centre, with the crossing of Station Road being facilitated by a puffin crossing.

7.39 Cycle Network

The cycle network within the study area is limited, with little specialist provision for cyclists in the form of cycle lanes and advanced cycle stop lines. Cycling within the study area is also discouraged by the presence of a number of roundabouts, which give rise to road safety issues for cyclists. Additionally, the topography of Buxton does not lend itself to cycling, although, within the study area, the gradients are much less severe and are more suitable for cycling.



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a Town centre pedestrian sign direction
b Station Approach



Pedestrian Route Network

- Destinations
- Secondary Routes
- P Car Park
- Primary Routes
- Pedestrian Crossing
- G Bus Stop
- P Coach Park