

ROUTE 1

Huddersfield train station to the Accu Stadium

Use this route to get to Accu Stadium, home to Huddersfield Town Football Club. Use the designated cycle lane along Leeds Road and turn down Gasworks Street to avoid the busiest parts of the main road. Accu Stadium has cycle parking outside the main Riverside stand.



Points of Interest:

1 Train Station

Huddersfield train station was designed by the architect James Pigott Pritchett and built in 1846–50 using the neo-classical style. It is a Grade I listed building and easily recognisable for its columned exterior. Outside the station, there is a statue of Harold Wilson, a Huddersfield-born politician who served twice as Prime Minister, from 1964 to 1970 and from 1974 to 1976.

2 The Stadium

A multi-purpose stadium with a capacity of 24,121, and currently the home ground of Huddersfield Town Association Football Club and Huddersfield Giants Rugby League Club. The stadium was a venue for the Rugby League World Cup in 1995, 2000, 2013 and 2021, and the 1999 Rugby World Cup. The Huddersfield Giants will soon find a new home, as they plan for a new purpose-built stadium within Huddersfield.

ROUTE 2

Huddersfield train station to Birkby and Fartown Library, & the Birkby Bradley Greenway

This short route from the train station to Birkby and Fartown Library will also take you to the beginning of the Birkby Bradley Greenway. Use this route to explore nearly nine miles of mainly traffic-free paths all the way into Dewsbury town centre.

Points of Interest:

1 The Sportsman Pub

This pub was built in 1930 and is a Grade II listed building. It still retains many of its original features, including hand-painted tiles depicting sports scenes and Art Deco flooring.

2 Birkby and Fartown Library

Opened in 2021, with bike parking outside and a little garden at the back, the library provides a useful and peaceful hub for the local community. Here you can access computers, printers, and use the quiet space to read, and there are accessible toilets. It is one of 24 libraries across Kirklees.

ROUTE 5

Huddersfield Narrow Canal to Huddersfield Broad Canal

This route links up the Narrow Canal to the Broad Canal in the middle of Huddersfield. Use this to avoid the ring road and other busy roads within Huddersfield town centre, enabling you to cycle from Marsden all the way to Dewsbury.

Points of Interest:

1 Narrow Canal

The Huddersfield Narrow Canal runs for 20 miles between Huddersfield and Ashton-under-Lyne and has a total of 74 locks. Re-opened to navigation in May 2001, the Standedge Tunnel on the Huddersfield Narrow Canal is Britain's longest canal tunnel.

2 Broad Canal

The Huddersfield Broad Canal was originally known as the Cooper Canal, as it branched off the Calder and Hebble Navigation at Cooper Bridge. It was opened in 1776 and proved to be a lifeline for the rapidly developing textile industry in Huddersfield. It is four miles long with nine locks.

ROUTE 3

Longroyd Bridge to Huddersfield train station

Use this route if you are coming into Huddersfield town from Marsden, Slaithwaite, Crosland Hill, Linthwaite or Cowlersley along the A62 or if you've cycled down the Huddersfield Narrow Canal. This helps you to avoid the busiest roads into Huddersfield, including the ring road.



Points of Interest:

1 Kirklees College

On this route, you will find Kirklees College's main Huddersfield site off Manchester Road. This building replaced the New North Road building in 2013 and, alongside the Dewsbury site, is home to 10,000 students on full-time and part-time courses and apprenticeships.

2 Lawrence Batley Theatre (LBT)

Another of Huddersfield's impressive buildings, the LBT is situated in a Grade II listed building which was once home to the largest Methodist chapel in the world. The theatre was opened in 1994 and currently delivers over 450 events every year.

ROUTE 6

Huddersfield train station to Huddersfield Leisure Centre

Both the train station and the leisure centre have cycle parking outside. You can easily get to the leisure centre, avoiding the ring road by using the underpass. You can also use the underpass to get you onto a cycle path up to Greenhead College and Greenhead Park.

Points of Interest:

1 Huddersfield Bus Station

The bus station provides a key transport link to the town centre and was opened in 1974. It is the busiest bus station in West Yorkshire and is used by more than 33,000 passengers every day.



2 Leisure centre

The Huddersfield Leisure Centre, opened in 2015, has a 25m eight-lane swimming pool, fitness suite, and sports facilities such as squash courts and a martial arts room.



Cycling Etiquette

Respect Other Road Users: Always be aware of your surroundings and respect pedestrians, other cyclists, and motorists. Use hand signals to indicate turns and stops, and communicate your intentions clearly to avoid accidents.

1

Road Position: When riding alone, do not ride too close to the kerb. You are a vehicle, and a position at least a metre from the kerb is a safer place.

2

Follow Traffic Rules: Obey all traffic signals and signs, just as you would if you were driving a car. This includes riding in designated bike lanes and yielding to traffic when necessary. Defer to pedestrians on shared paths, including canal towpaths.

3

Keep Your Bike in Good Condition: Check your bike regularly for any mechanical issues, such as squeaky chains or flat tyres, to ensure a smooth ride and avoid disrupting others.

4

Wear a Helmet: It is not compulsory, but wearing a properly fitted helmet to protect yourself in case of an accident is good practice. Helmets significantly reduce the risk of head injuries.

5

Avoid Distractions: Stay focused while riding. Avoid using your phone or eating while cycling, as these distractions can lead to accidents.



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Six routes to help you navigate the ring road



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