

Can you travel smarter to the new
Minehead Community Hospital
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This leaflet gives patients and visitors information about how to travel to and from the new Minehead Community Hospital.

Minehead Community Hospital is located on Seaward Way on the eastern outskirts of Minehead. It is within the built up area of the town, and has connections to neighbouring areas through local **footway, cycling** and **public transport** networks.

The hospital has a **bus stop on the site** outside the front entrance of the building. **Cycle and motorcycle parking** is also provided and clearly signed. We encourage visitors to use alternative modes of transport where they can. **107 visitor parking spaces** are provided and these are free of charge.

Walking

The hospital is located within walking distance of Minehead town centre, near to Tescos and Morrisons. Walking routes are clearly signed from the seafront and Bircham Road. It takes approximately 15 minutes to walk from Minehead Railway Station (at the bottom of The Avenue) along the footway which runs along the railway line to Seaward Way. The hospital can be accessed from Seaward Way, via a footway around and through the hospital car park. There is also a footway link from Bircham Road via Marshfield Road. The surrounding area is well-lit and usually busy with pedestrians.

Seating is provided in the indoor reception area. Food and drink machines and toilets are provided in the building.

Cycling

There is a traffic free cycle path from the railway station in Minehead town centre from the south, and from Bircham Road to the north. There is also

a cycle link from Bircham Road via Marshfield Road. The surrounding area is flat. It takes approximately 5 minutes to cycle from Minehead Railway Station at the bottom of The Avenue along the cycleway which runs along the railway line to Seaward Way. The hospital cycle parking can be accessed via Seaward Way, through the hospital car park.

There is covered visitor cycle parking provided at the front of the building to the left of the main entrance; this is clearly visible upon approach.

You can obtain a Minehead cycling leaflet from the **Moving Somerset Forward** website (www.movingsomersetforward.co.uk/cycle-maps).

Local buses

Most Minehead buses will serve the bus stop located within the hospital car park at the front of the hospital building. This is with the exception of the First service number 28 which will continue to serve Butlins which is 10-15 minutes walk away. Webberbus 18 provides an alternative service from Taunton that does serve the hospital.

The following services will begin serving the hospital from week beginning 21 February 2011. Timetables will be provided when these are available from the NHS website (www.somcomhealth.nhs.uk under Minehead Community Hospital via 'Our Services').

- **Webberbus Taunton to Minehead 18** arrives hourly on the half hour between 8.30am and 6.30pm
- **Webberbus Minehead to Taunton 18** departs hourly at generally ten to the hour between 8.50am and 4.50pm (additional earlier services)
- **Webberbus Minehead Town service 101** – departs/arrives hourly at 2 minutes past the hour between 8.02am and 5.02am
- **At West Slinky bus**

There is outside seating at the hospital and indoor seating is provided in the main reception area from where buses can be seen.

It is hoped that further services may directly serve the hospital in the coming months. These include the 398 (Tiverton to Minehead) and 39 (Porlock Weir to Minehead). Other services in the vicinity of the hospital are First 28 (Taunton to Minehead) – the nearest stops are Bircham Road and Butlins 10-15 minutes walk away. **Further up-to-date information on bus services can be found via** www.travelinesw.com and www.transportdirect.info.

By car

Please note as this is a new hospital the road and postcode will **not** show up in the search engines.

A39 from Dunster

1. Coming into Minehead, at the roundabout take the 3rd exit towards the sea front and Butlins, along Seaward Way.
2. Go past Mallard Road on your left.
3. After approximately 500 yards take the next left turn into Luttrell Way.
4. Go straight across a small roundabout and in front of you is the new hospital.

A39 from Minehead Town Centre

1. Coming along Townsend Road, at the roundabout take the 1st exit towards Dunster.
2. At the next roundabout take the 1st exit towards the sea front and Butlins, along Seaward Way.
3. Follow above directions from number 2.

From Porlock, joining the A39 in Alcombe

1. Coming into Minehead, at the roundabout in Alcombe take the 2nd exit towards Dunster.
2. Follow the first set of directions from number 2.

Parking

Free parking for hospital users is available on site at the front of the hospital.

To plan your journey by car please visit www.transportdirect.info. For tips on greener driving please visit www.movingsomersetforward.co.uk/driving

