

**Proposed Care Home Facility
Land fronting Orkney Close
Radcliffe
Manchester
M26 2WR**

Transport Assessment

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Introduction

The scheme comprises the development of a site which was formerly the garden of 77 Bury Road, Radcliffe; a care home facility.

It lies between an existing care facility and a former railway line (now a 'Metrolink' tram track), and fronts Orkney Close with two storey dwellings to the rear.

Residents, due to their condition, will not have motor vehicles, however six car spaces have been provided for visitors and staff, together with a secure cycle parking facility.

The car park is accessed from Orkney Close with pedestrian access to the building fronting Orkney Close.

Orkney Close is a single carriageway road some 4.5 metres wide with footpaths to both sides.

It is some 2½ miles to the south of Bury Town centre and 2/3 mile to the north of Radcliffe centre. There are good road links to both.

Access by modes other than cars

Buses

Bury Road is well served by the 513 number bus.

Bus	Route	Monday – Friday	Saturday	Sunday
513	Bury – Farnworth	07:00 – 20:58	08:08 – 20:50	10:13 – 18:15

This bus runs from Bury Transport Interchange via Radcliffe Bus Station, Whitefield and Ringley through to Farnworth.

Trams

Radcliffe tram stop is located some 500 metres walk to the south of the site.

Trams run to Bury and Manchester, and it is connected to the Greater Manchester Tram Network.

Trams run at regular intervals (10 minutes or 20 minutes) from 6.00am until midnight on weekdays and Saturdays, and from 7.00am to 11.00pm on Sundays.

In conclusion the site has extremely good public transport links.

Cycling

The site has a dedicated cycle lane on Bury Road running south west, to its junction with Cross Lane (A6053), and former Planning Policy Guidance (PPG 13) acknowledges that cycling can be used as a substitute for the use of motor vehicles, particularly in journeys of less than 5km.

This covers a large part of the residential area of Bury, including Little Lever, Radcliffe, Whitefield and Bury Town Centre.

Pedestrians

The site is well served by pedestrian access routes, and adopted highways within the vicinity all have metalled footpaths.

The Institute of Highways & Transportation (IHT) guidelines suggest that 80% of journeys on foot to urban areas are less than 1.5km with the average being 1km.

PPG 13 recognises that walking has the greatest potential at local level to replace car journeys of 2km in distance or less.

There are substantial conurbations within this area.

Conclusion

The site is well served with public transport, and pedestrian, and cycle access is good.

Public transport links to the main centres locally and the national transport grid are good.