

New £90,000 cycle hub opens at Thornaby railway station

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A new secure cycle hub has been installed for customers at Thornaby railway station.

The £90,000 facility, which can accommodate 34 bikes, features CCTV as well as a maintenance area and can be accessed free of charge. Those with E-bikes will also be able to charge their bicycle using four of the spaces.

Funding for the hub has been provided through a partnership with TransPennine Express, the Department for Transport via sustainable transport charity, Sustrans as well as Stockton-on-Tees Council.

Situated on the main platform at Thornaby and built by Falco, the facility offers a safe and secure location for people to store their bikes before boarding the train and making their onward journey.

Accessibility and Integration Manager for TransPennine Express, Natasha Marsay said: "We are thrilled to have been able to provide a brand new, bespoke cycle hub for the local community thanks to this partnership.

“We hope that this new facility will encourage those travelling to leave the car at home and cycle to the station before making their journey by train.”

Councillor Mike Smith, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council’s Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, said: “The new cycle facilities are a welcome addition to Thornaby Station and they are sure to be well-used by residents across the Borough.

“Cycling to the station rather than driving is a great way to help the environment and also keep yourself fit and healthy. It’s something we should all consider doing if we can.

“It’ll be great to see the station filled with bikes soon.”

Matt Winfield, Executive Director, England, Sustrans said: “Combining the convenience of cycling with the speed of the train gives people the freedom to get places quickly and easily. This new facility will make it easier for people to choose to cycle which is healthier for them and better for our environment.

“We were pleased to work with the Department for Transport to help make this facility happen.”