

# Got an opinion on parking in Bowness and Windermere? Willing to share it?

**South Lakes Development Trust** has commissioned a **Parking Needs Study for Windermere and Bowness**, to help us lobby for better parking arrangements. We are very keen to use local people's detailed knowledge of the area, to ensure the Study is as accurate and effective as possible.

So we've set up an internet discussion forum, or **E-Forum**, for you to use.

The traffic consultants **SK Transport Planning** have already carried out a survey of parking in both villages. They are now analysing the data from that survey, and your opinions and knowledge will help them with their report.

To access the E-Forum, go to the **South Lakes Development Trust** website at [www.sldt.co.uk](http://www.sldt.co.uk) and click on "**Windermere and Bowness Parking Forum**".

You can read discussions on the **E-Forum** without registering, but to post a reply, or start a new discussion, you'll need to go through a simple registration process. If you experience any difficulties in registering or using the **E-Forum**, get in touch with me, ([paul@sldt.co.uk](mailto:paul@sldt.co.uk) or telephone 015394 40021).

If you have any comments or ideas about parking in Windermere and Bowness, please get involved. If you know of other people who would like to be involved, please copy this email to them. **The E-Forum will close in mid-November**, to give SK Transport Planning time to evaluate the data, **so please get posting right away!**

## Background information

Since the production of the Spawforth Masterplan for the Windermere and Bowness area in 2004 (find it at <http://www.sldt.co.uk/resources/WBMasterplan2.pdf>) a number of public realm proposals have been considered, which impact on parking – the Crescent Road and A591 enhancements in Windermere are just one example. A key limitation to all these proposals is the absence of a comprehensive analysis of on and off-street parking facilities in both villages. The Windermere and Bowness Parking Needs Study, which is due to report at the end of November 2007, will address this shortcoming.

For more information, do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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