

East Lothian's busiest bus stop sees nearly 900 passengers use it every day

The busiest bus stop in East Lothian sees nearly 900 passengers use it every day, a new study has revealed,

The bus shelter outside Musselburgh Police Station came top of the list after users were monitored over a two week period across the county.

The list revealed 12,388 people used the stop on the High Street making it the most popular travel spot in East Lothian.

It was followed by Tranent Police Station's bus stop which saw 9,851 passengers pass through over the same period and Haddington High Street stop which came in third with 7,458 travellers.

The list of stops which saw more than 1,000 travellers over the two weeks of monitoring was pulled together for East Lothian Council has part of a study into future sites of journey hubs in the county.

It found the Musselburgh westbound stop was by far the most used in the county with only eight attracting more than 3,000 passengers over the fortnight.

Other Musselburgh bus stops which made the list included the one outside The Hayweights in North High Street which had 4,277 while nearby stop at the Ship Inn saw 3,295 users.

Prestonpan's Bus Shelter, which has its own social media following on X formerly Twitter, did not make the list.

The survey was carried out in September last year and used data from two of the biggest operators in the county East Coast Buses and Borders Buses so some stops which are covered by other operators were not included.

It found the most trafficked bus stops were Musselburgh Police Station, Tranent Police station, Tranent High Street, Musselburgh Hayweights (near Brunton Hall), Dunbar High Street, Musselburgh, Shipp Inn and North Berwick, Church Road.

The information will be used to help establish the best spots for future journey hubs across the county and are part of a wider consultation and survey of East Lothian travellers and what they would like to be offered at the hubs.

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