

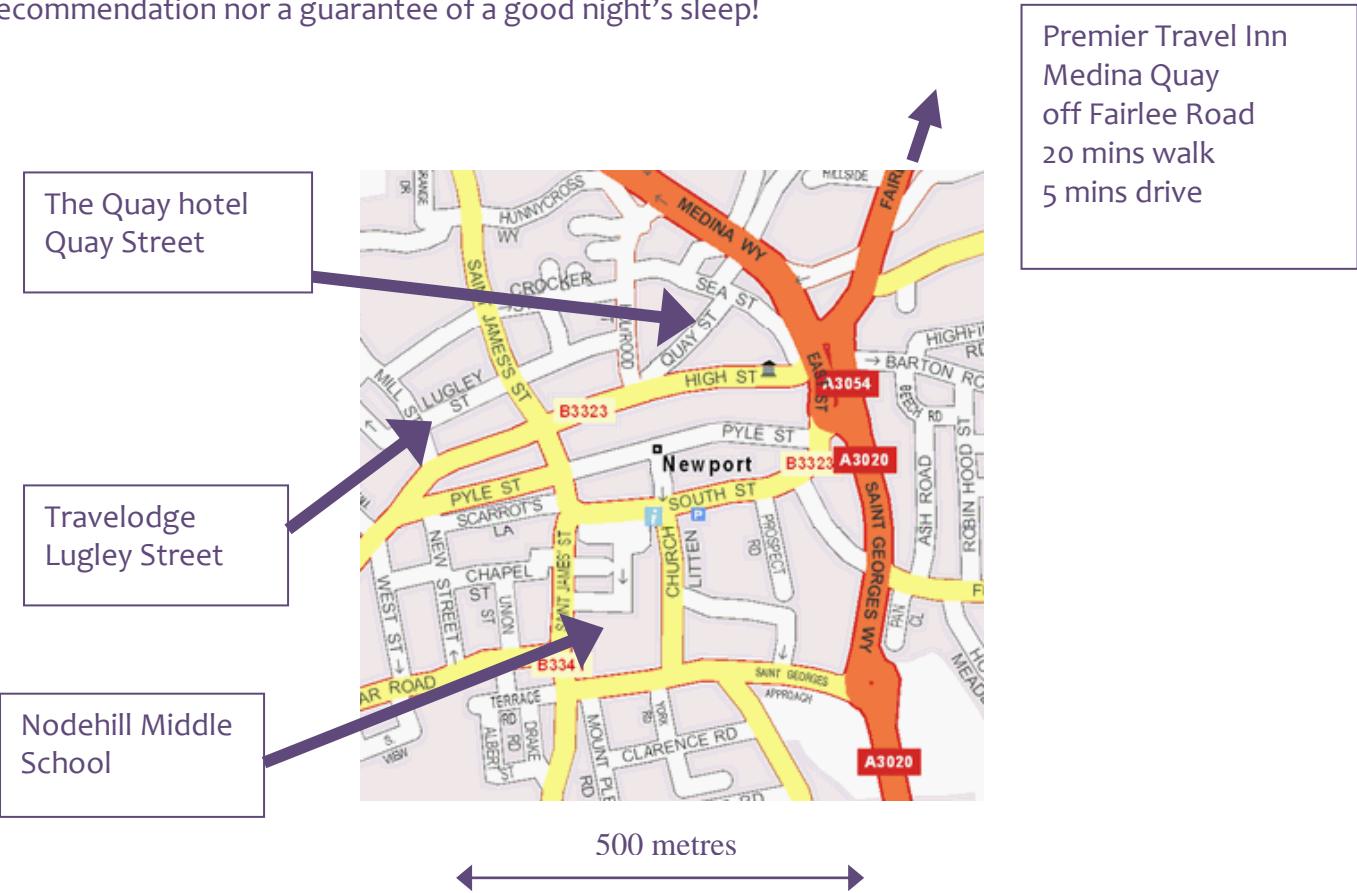


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Accommodation

There are several places to stay in Newport itself. Please note that inclusion on this list is neither a recommendation nor a guarantee of a good night's sleep!



Travelodge – town centre

<http://tinyurl.com/3zfxa3>

0871 984 6348

Nodehill: 8-10 minutes walk

Bus station: 5-6 minutes walk

Travel Inn – outskirts of town

<http://tinyurl.com/42tc2w>

08701 977 144

Nodehill/ Bus station : 20-25 minutes walk

5 minutes bus ride to Newport bus station

The Newport Quay hotel – town centre

www.newportquayhotel.co.uk

01983 528544

Nodehill: 8-10 minutes walk

Bus station: 6-7 minutes walk

Wheatsheaf pub and hotel – town centre

www.wheatsheaf-iow.co.uk/

01983 523865

Nodehill: 5-6 minutes walk

Bus station: 3-4 minutes walk

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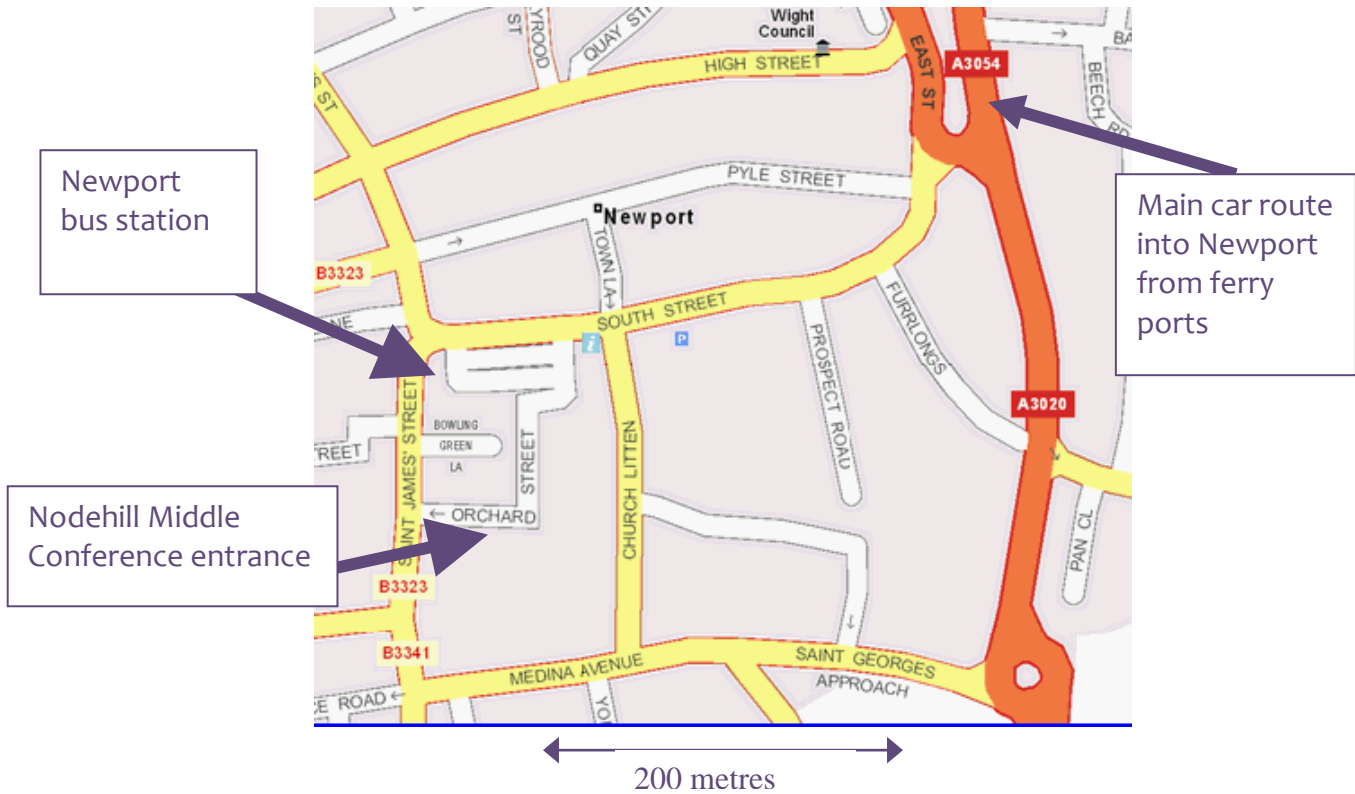




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Location



Travel

By train and plane

To travel to the Isle of Wight, there are direct train links from London Waterloo, Cardiff via Bristol, Manchester and the North (including direct trains from Scotland) via Birmingham to Southampton and Portsmouth (amongst others). You can fly with various airlines including Flybe to Southampton Airport (5 miles north of Southampton centre and connected by train). There is a free connecting bus between the ferry terminal and Southampton Central station. The ferry terminal is part of the train station at Portsmouth harbour.

Ferries run every half an hour (passenger) or hour (vehicle) with:

Red Funnel: Southampton-West Cowes – passenger only – recommended - 25 minutes
 Southampton-East Cowes – passenger and vehicle – 55 minutes

Wightlink: Portsmouth Harbour-Ryde Pier head – passenger only – 15 minutes
 Portsmouth-Fishbourne – 45 minutes
 Lymington-Yarmouth – unless you live near Lymington this route is not recommended as you then have ½ hour bus or car journey to Newport.

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For those on foot, the central bus station in Newport is 100metres away from the school and there is a frequent service to and from both West Cowes (no. 1 for Southampton passenger ferry) and Ryde (no. 9 for Portsmouth passenger ferry).

Useful Links

<http://www.nationalrail.co.uk>

<http://www.redfunnel.co.uk>

<http://www.wightlink.co.uk>

<http://www.flybe.com>

By car and parking

There will be limited parking (approximately 30 cars) on a first come, first served basis. Please note the area is not supervised and we can accept no responsibility for any damage or loss. The area (playground) should be open from about 8.30 am Saturday and 9.00 a.m on Sunday. If you are staying in Newport it's still easier to walk rather than negotiate the one way systems. Due to the Victorian charm of Newport, most roads are one-way and a trap for unsuspecting visitors! We therefore strongly advise you to come to the conference on foot as the bus station is approximately 100 metres from the entrance.

Instructions for travelling by car are on the next page so you can print just the one page if necessary.

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Driving instructions – a bit complicated but that’s life.

4. At the 2nd set of lights, turn left and about 20 metres later left again, just before a new chrome white and turquoise shopping centre.

If you miss this turn and go past the front of the shops, bear left at McDonalds and follow the main road round, turning left where you can, to get back to the park.

5. Follow this road slowly with the open air bus station on your right and the library on your left. The black carpark/playground gates are about 100m directly ahead of you as the road bends sharply right. If there is no space left, there is parking available at Morrisons carpark (step 3 but keep right and turn right at the 1st set of lights)

1. If you are travelling by car from either East Cowes, Fishbourne or Yarmouth, you will end up coming down the hill into Newport and joining the roundabout with all the traffic lights. Whichever road you come in on you should follow the signs for Sandown. When you leave the roundabout, Chicago Rock Café and the Cinema are on your right and you pass under a metallic covered walkway leading into the cinema building.



3. Turn right at the 2nd set of traffic lights (you can't turn right at the 1st set) following signs for superstores. Marks and Spencer and Morrisons are on the right side, the park, and beyond it Nodehill school, are on your left. Keep in the left hand lane.

2. At the next roundabout (just after Matalan on your right), turn right (2nd exit, 'Town Centre/Superstores').

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