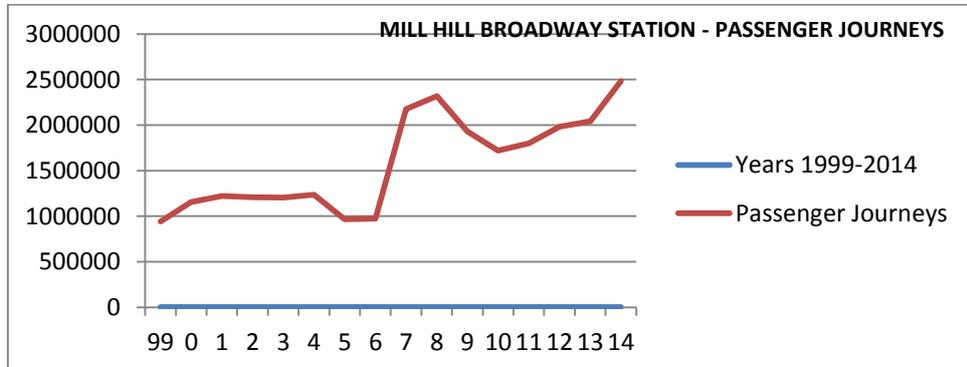


Mill Hill Broadway Station has recorded 2.5 million passenger journeys in the last year, and there is some margin for error in these numbers as the station is not gated such that for example “Freedom-pass” holders will not have been recorded through the “turnstiles”. The number of passenger journeys is expected to increase rapidly as new residents inhabit their new properties locally, and new trains are provided more frequently (8 per peak hour).



There are some 1500 blue badge holders locally and more than 5000 over 60s residents.

Mill Hill Broadway station is the closest mainline station for the new housing developments in Mill Hill East and Colindale, and of course for existing residents across Mill Hill, Burnt Oak and Edgware. The bus links are strong, and once on Thameslink you can travel easily to Gatwick, Luton (and in 2018 to Heathrow via Crosslink at Farringdon) Airports, Kings Cross/St Pancras, for the Eurostar and the West End, then City Thameslink & Blackfriars stations for the City of London. A short trip to West Hampstead provides connection to the Overground line making trips to the East (including to the Royal Free Hospital and Stratford) and to West London e.g. Westfield Shopping centre, Kew & Richmond a easy and quick journeys. Further from West Hampstead the Jubilee line offers connections to Canary Wharf, the O2 Centre at North Greenwich etc. Additionally you can travel to Bedford, Brighton, Wimbledon, St. Albans, and Sutton.

Mill Hill Broadway is an increasingly vital transport HUB and gradually more and more people are realising the opportunities it provides for easy access to so many amenities and activities in and around London. The only way to change behaviour patterns and to get more people using public transport is to offer exemplary services that are relatively cheap and really effective. Once people explore the possibilities and see for themselves how easy it is to connect with London from Mill Hill Broadway they will be really impressed.

However the 39 steps are a real inhibitor, not only for those with disabilities, but those with luggage, buggies and young children, and the lack of step-free access needs to be fixed now. The passenger journey volumes already seen at Mill Hill far exceed those of many other stations that have already been provided with “Step-free Access”!

Mill Hill Broadway Station is a real “eyesore”. The M1 and the Railway dissect our Town Centre. The noise and air pollution are way beyond acceptable levels! We need the various public bodies (Department for Transport, Network Rail, Govia-Thameslink, TfL, Highways England and Barnet Council) who share an interest in the whole site to act together to make the railway station, the bus interchange and the car park **fit for purpose**.

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