

= Vestby Station =

Vestby Station (Norwegian : Vestby stasjon) is a railway station on the Østfold Line located in the village of Vestby , Norway . It is served by commuter trains operated by the Norwegian State Railways running from Spikkestad over Oslo to Moss . The station opened in 1879 , and was modernised in the early 1990s . It features a passenger walkway built in gluelam connecting its two platforms and a small parking lot with place for approximately 120 cars . The station serves about 160 passengers to Oslo each day .

= = History = =

The station was opened in 1879 as a halt on the Smaalens Line , now known as the western branch of the Østfold Line . The station building was designed by the Norwegian architect Peter Andreas Blix in the same Swiss cottage style as the stations Ås and Sånner . In the 1950s , the station was frequently used by weekend guests from Oslo that visited the nearby conurbation Hvitsten for having a bath . A few years after the section of the Østfold Line between Ski and Moss Station was upgraded to double tracks , Vestby Station received a major renovation . A regulation plan for the station area was published in May 2010 , which involved increasing the number of car parking places .

In 2005 , the station was subject of a terrorist attack . A non @-@ Norwegian man had called the Norwegian police 7 @.@ 49 in the morning , claiming that he had planted a bomb on the station which would detonate 8 @.@ 00 , eleven minutes later . All traffic on the Østfold Line was stopped , and the station investigated , but no bombs were found .

Vestby Station has seen several accidents and injuries . In January 2004 , a Linx train from Gothenburg , travelling at 130 kilometres per hour (81 mph) , crashed into a plowing car that was partly parked on the railway tracks at Vestby . No passengers were hurt in the accident . It was victim of sabotage in March 2004 , when some local youth laid steel pipes over the tracks . In 2006 , a two @-@ year @-@ old boy fell down from the platform and was run over by a passing train . In June 2010 , the station building caught fire in the middle of the night , but left no injuries .

= = Facilities = =

The station received a major overhaul after the Østfold Line was extended to double track in the 1990s . The station was redesigned in the same architectural style as the preceding station Ås , with a modern walkway over the tracks . The walkway is built in gluelam , and shapes together with the stairways down to the platforms one minimalistic construction .

A bus stop is located on the east side of the station , and a park and ride facility with space for up to 120 cars on the west side . There is also a taxi stand at the station . The station building features a small kiosk . The platforms have sheds and ticket machines . The station is located north of Sonsveien and south of Ås Station , 38 @.@ 65 kilometres (24 @.@ 02 mi) from Oslo Central Station .

= = Service = =

Vestby Station is served by the line L21 of the Oslo Commuter Rail , which is operated by the Norwegian State Railways . The line runs through Oslo from Stabekk to Moss . The service has two southbound stations before reaching Moss : Sonsveien and Kambo . Travel time to Oslo Central Station is 33 minutes and to Moss 16 minutes . The public transport authority Ruter operates bus services to the station from conurbations around Vestby .