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Green Lane, Chesterton

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# TRAVEL INFORMATION PACK



GREEN LANE, CHESTERTON

## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to your new home. As you settle in to a new location, we would like to assist you to make the move as easy as possible. This Travel Information Pack sets out the different transport options that are available to residents of the development and provides information to assist you in making sustainable choices about the way in which you travel. The location of the development means that nearly all journeys can be undertaken within Chesterton by sustainable modes of travel such as walking and cycling.

This Pack contains:

- Walking and cycling information
- Rail information and route maps
- Bus information and route maps
- Advice on saving money on car travel
- Useful sustainable travel websites

Taylor Wimpey is committed to reducing the level of trips to and from Green Lane, Chesterton by car.



We are not responsible for the content of external websites or the actions of any companies listed within this Information Pack.

## WALKING AND CYCLING

Walking is one of the simplest, easiest, and cheapest ways to get around. This is particularly true at Green Lane, Chesterton whereby good quality, direct and well lit pedestrian routes are provided throughout the site.

A new pedestrian connection in to Chesterton village centre will connect the site to public transport stops on Alchester Road as well as the Red Cow Public House, St Mary’s Church and Chesterton C of E Primary School. Bicester Hotel, Golf and Spa is almost opposite the development offering leisure facilities at your doorstep! A new community centre is also located just a short walk away adjacent to Chesterton Playing Field and children’s play area

Walking or cycling can often be combined with other modes of transport for part of the journey, e.g. bus or train. The existing network of pedestrian and cycle routes within close proximity of Green Lane, Chesterton is shown in **Map 1**.



National Cycle Route 51 is located approximately 2.2 kilometres (8 minutes cycle time) east of the site on Wendlebury Road, accessed via Green Lane south of Chesterton and over the A41 to the junction with Wendlebury Road.

**Map 2** illustrates the location of community facilities and amenities in relation to the site and shows that there is a wide range of facilities and amenities within walking and cycling distance of the site.

### Benefits of walking and cycling include:

**Being Healthy** - walking burns 100 calories in 20 minutes and moderate cycling burns around 500 calories an hour which can help you lose weight

**Saving Money** - no fuel or parking costs

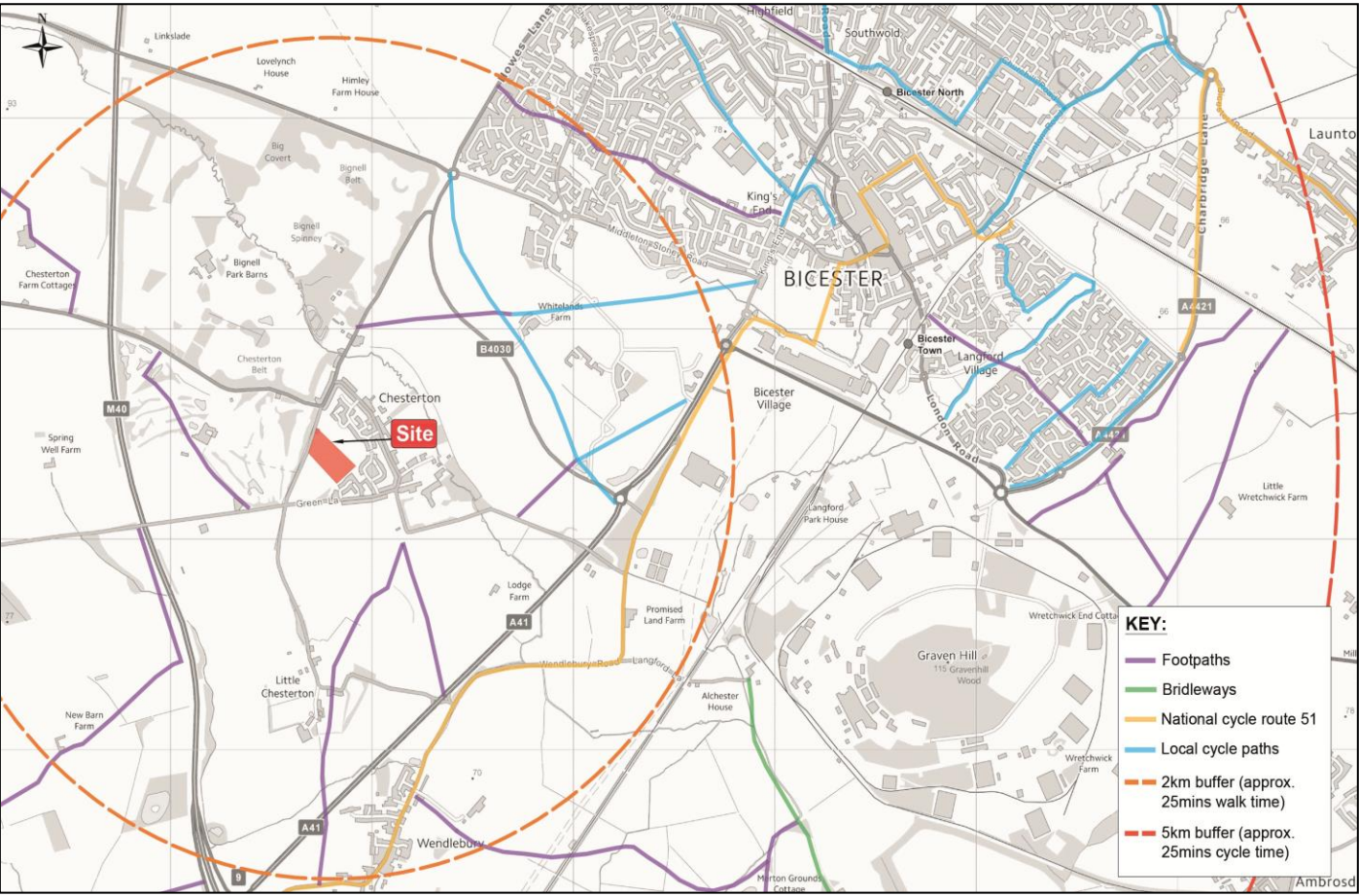
**Being Green** - reduce your environmental impact

**Enjoyable** - activity is good for physical and mental health

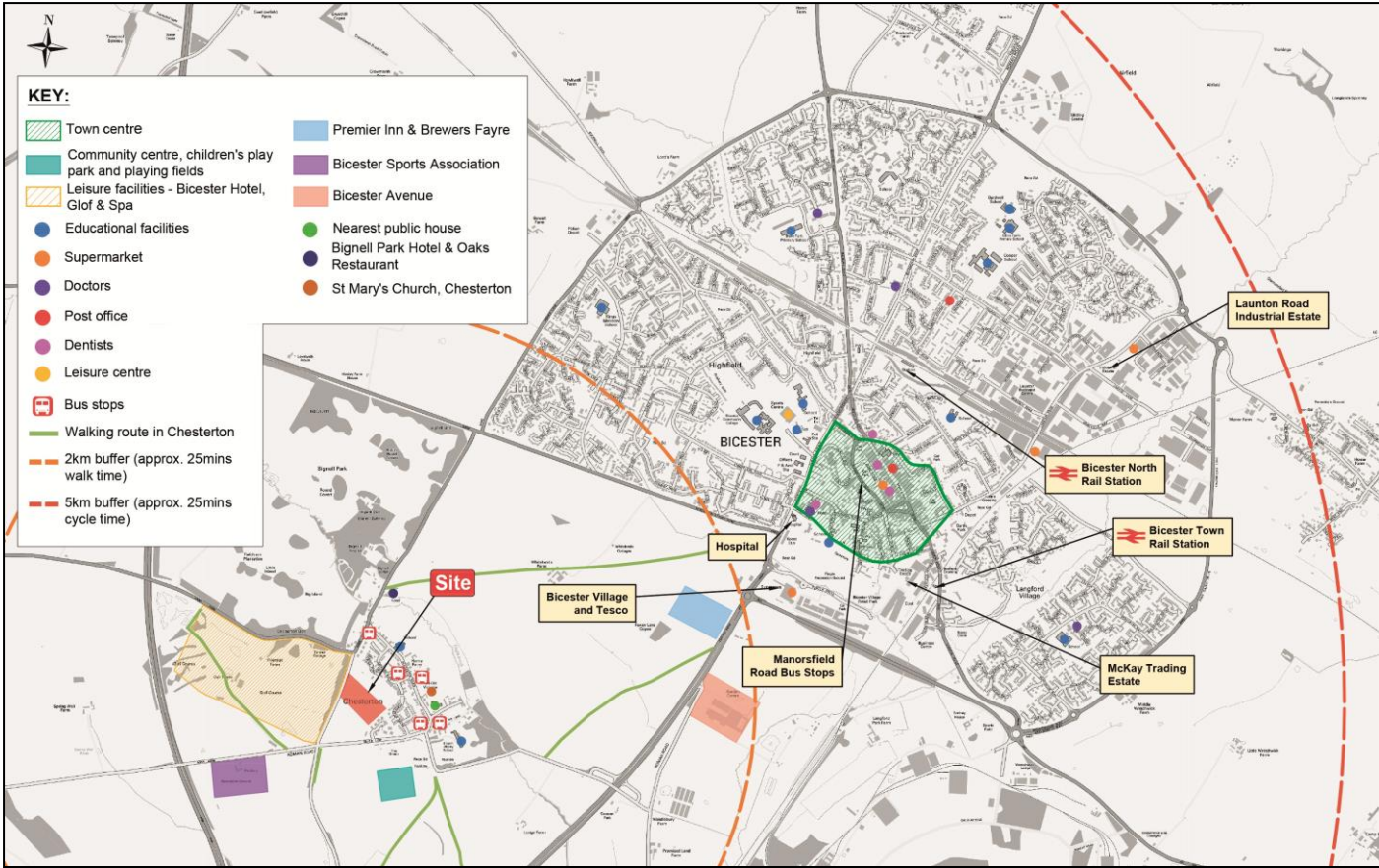
### Cycle Storage

Cycle storage is provided within garages, or in gardens for those houses that do not have garages.

### MAP 1 – PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE ROUTES



### MAP 2 – FACILITIES AND AMENITIES



## Walkbudi:

<https://walkbudi.liftshare.com>

WalkBUDI matches you up with other people who want to go the same way as you - so you can walk together. It's as easy as that – and totally free to use. You just need to register your journey and then do a search for others in your area wanting to share their walk. It makes walking fun, safer and more sociable.



## Bikebudi

<https://bikebudi.liftshare.com>

If you want some company on your bike ride (whether that's to work or just for fun), the system matches you up with others going the same route, so you can ride together.



It doesn't matter whether you're an experienced cyclist who'd just like the company or a beginner who'd feel happier not riding alone – BikeBUDI is for everyone.

## Cycle Route Planning

To plan your cycle route from Green Lane, Chesterton visit CycleStreets. CycleStreets is a UK-wide cycle journey planner system, which lets you plan routes from A to B by bike. It is designed by cyclists, for cyclists, and caters for the needs of both confident and less confident cyclists.

[www.cyclestreets.net/journey/to/OX26+1UN/Green+Lane/](http://www.cyclestreets.net/journey/to/OX26+1UN/Green+Lane/)



## Sustrans

[www.sustrans.org.uk](http://www.sustrans.org.uk)

A leading UK charity enabling people to travel by foot, bike or public transport for more of the journeys we make every day. We work with families, communities, policy-makers and partner organisations so that people are able to choose healthier, cleaner and cheaper journeys, with better places and spaces to move through and live in.

## Cycle Training

### Bikeability

[www.dft.gov.uk/bikeability/the-three-levels/cycling-skills-for-adults/](http://www.dft.gov.uk/bikeability/the-three-levels/cycling-skills-for-adults/)

This provides links to cycle instruction for adults to build confidence if you have recently rediscovered your enthusiasm for cycling.



## Bicester Millennium Cycling Club

[www.bmcc2000.com](http://www.bmcc2000.com)

Bicester Millennium Cycling Club provides a focal point for cycling enthusiasts from Bicester and the surrounding areas of Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Northamptonshire. There are Club road bike runs rides every Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holiday mornings throughout the year at 9:00 am starting from Bicester North Railway Station. There are also occasional off road rides and velodrome trips.

**Cycle Shops**

<b>Broadribb Cycles</b>	<b>85 Sheep Street, Bicester</b>	<b>01869 253170</b>	<b><a href="http://www.broadribbcyclesbicester.co.uk">www.broadribbcyclesbicester.co.uk</a></b>
<b>Phoenix Cycle Repairs</b>	<b>Bicester Area</b>	<b>01869 241106</b>	<b><a href="http://www.phoenixcyclerepairs.co.uk">www.phoenixcyclerepairs.co.uk</a></b>
<b>Halfords</b>	<b>Launton Road Retail Park, Bicester</b>	<b>01869 324723</b>	<b><a href="http://www.halfords.com">www.halfords.com</a></b>

**Other Useful Cycling Links**

Oxfordshire County Council Cycling Information

[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/cycling-links](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/cycling-links)

CTC National Cycling Charity – Oxfordshire

[www.ctcoxfordshire.org.uk](http://www.ctcoxfordshire.org.uk)



## PUBLIC TRANSPORT



Public Transport can be more convenient, quicker, and cheaper than travelling via car and provides environmental benefits too. Car journeys contribute a significant amount towards our overall carbon footprint. Public Transport allows you to reach a central point such as Bicester or Oxford directly rather than getting on a one-way system or diverting via a car park. You also get the benefit of relaxing with a newspaper or using a portable media device.

Public transport can also be quicker, especially as more investment is made into the public transport network. If you regularly travel the same journey or planning in advance you can make cost savings as the cost of running a car is more than just the cost of petrol. Public transport means no car insurance, tax, MOT or car maintenance. Finally public transport does not require looking for a parking space upon arrival at your destination or the expensive cost of parking.

### Bus Services

The number 25/25A bus, operated by Thames Travel, serves Chesterton and provides a route between Bicester and Oxford via Kirtlington and Kidlington. In addition, the 21 bus, operated by Grayline Coaches, serves Chesterton and provides a further service to Bicester. Bus stops are located approximately 200m (2-3 minutes' walk) from the access to the site, on Alchester Road at Chesterton Green. A summary of these bus services is shown below.



### Bus Services Operating in the Vicinity of the Site

No.	Route	Monday- Friday			Saturday			Sunday
		Frequency	First Service	Last Service	Frequency	First Service	Last Service	
21	Bicester circular	1 service a day	0727	0727	No service			No service
25 / 25A	Bicester – Bletchingdon – Kidlington / Oxford	8 services a day	0632	1709 (set down only)	5 services a day	0905	1709 (set down only)	No service
25 / 25A	Kidlington / Oxford - Bletchingdon - Bicester	6 services a day	1047	0002 (set down only)	5 services a day	1047	1827	No service

Source: Traveline Southeast (April 2016)

Detailed timetables can be found at: [www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk](http://www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk).

A map of bus services in close proximity to Chesterton is shown at **Map 3** and can be downloaded at [www.thames-travel.co.uk/timetables-fares/maps-guides/](http://www.thames-travel.co.uk/timetables-fares/maps-guides/).

For more information on bus services please contact Traveline on 0871 200 22 33 to plan your journey (calls cost 10p per minute plus network charges).



For more information on Thames Travel bus services please contact Thames Travel on 01865 785400 or [www.thames-travel.co.uk](http://www.thames-travel.co.uk).

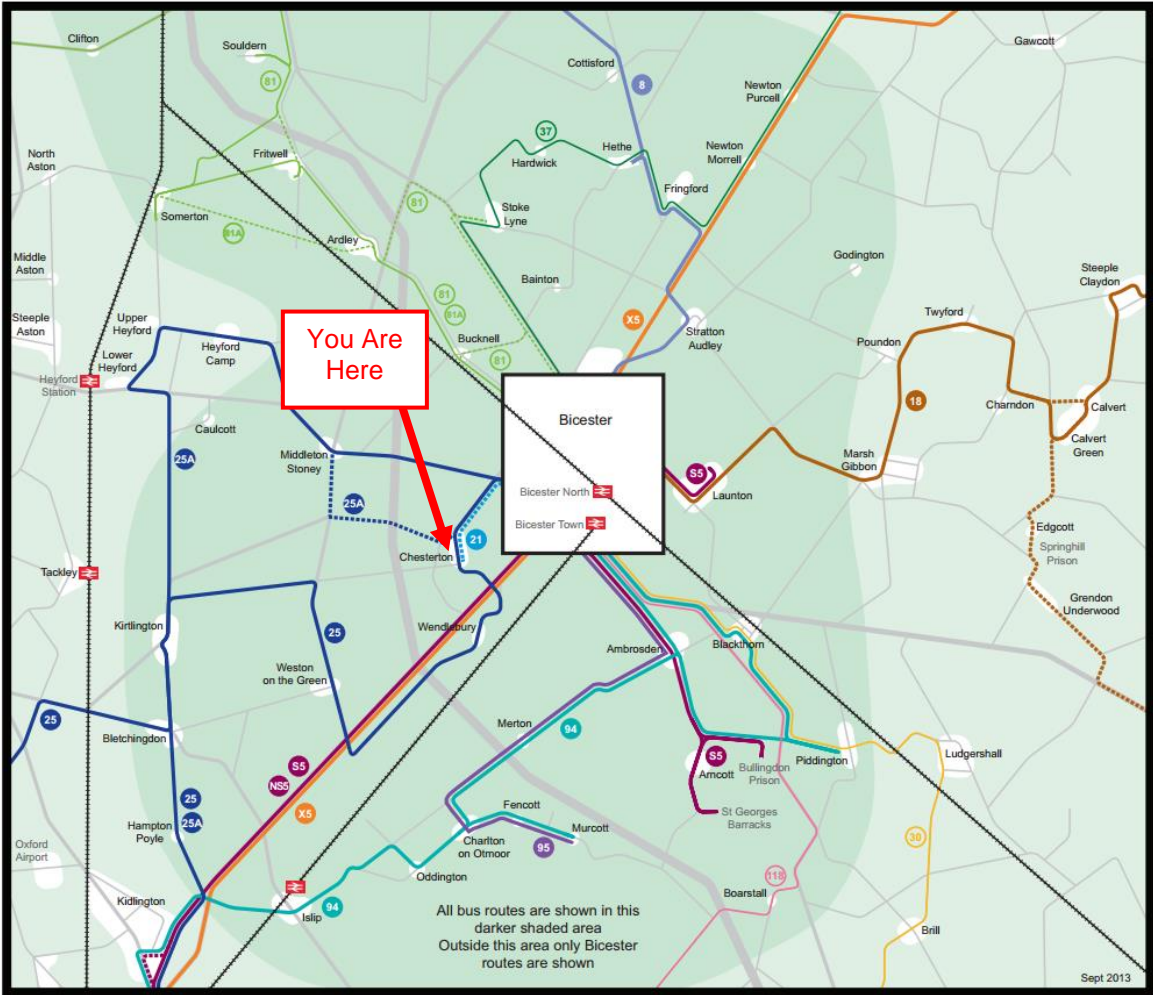
For the latest bus service information please see the following link: [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/publictransport](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/publictransport)

For real time information on bus departures please visit Oxontime: [www.oxontime.com](http://www.oxontime.com)

**Wheelchair Accessible Buses**

The majority of Thames Travel buses operate with wheelchair accessible buses which have ramps, an official space for wheelchairs and a low floor capability which enables the bus platform to lower to the kerb level for easier boarding.

**MAP 3 – BUS ROUTES**



### Thames Travel Tickets

Thames Travel, who operate the 25/25A bus service in Chesterton, have a choice of money-saving multi-journey tickets which offer greater value to customers in the area. The Go-Anywhere day ticket allows you to travel the length and breadth of the county for £8, the Multi Journey ticket allows you up to 10 single trips and is valid for a year and the 4-weekly ticket allows unlimited travel on all routes and services for 4 weeks for £80. More information is available at:

[www.thames-travel.co.uk/buy-tickets](http://www.thames-travel.co.uk/buy-tickets)

### Concessionary Fare Scheme

As part of a governmental scheme initiated by the Department for Transport free off-peak local bus travel is provided to eligible older and disabled people anywhere in England. You can qualify for a Concessionary Bus Pass if you are the state pension age of a female or if you satisfy the disability eligibility criteria.

Within Oxfordshire the pass means free travel Monday to Fridays after 9.30am until the last bus and all day on weekends and bank holidays. More information regarding eligibility and applying for a Concessionary Bus Pass can be found at the below sites:

[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/bus-passes](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/bus-passes)

[www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/3621/travelconcession.pdf](http://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/3621/travelconcession.pdf)

### Rail Services

In terms of rail services Bicester Village Railway Station (Bicester Town) is located 4.2 kilometres east of Green Lane, Chesterton and Bicester North Railway Station is located 4.3 kilometres northeast of Green Lane, Chesterton. Both stations are operated by Chiltern Railways.

Both stations are accessible within an 8-12 minute walk of bus stops served by the number 25 / 25A bus service with Bicester Village Railway Station accessible via 25 minute journey time and Bicester North Railway Station accessible via a 20 minute journey time. Both stations are within a 15-20 minute cycle of the Chesterton. At Bicester Village Railway Station there are 18 cycle parking spaces and at Bicester North Railway Station there are 80 cycle parking spaces.

Bicester Village Railway Station provides regular services between Oxford Parkway and London Marylebone railway stations.

Bicester North Railway Station provides regular services between Bicester and London Marylebone, High Wycombe, Banbury, Birmingham Snow Hill and Warwick. The Table below shows the destinations, peak frequencies and journey times for direct services operating out of Bicester North Railway Stations.

**Train Services from Bicester North Railway Station**

To	Approximate Number of Trains Per Hour	Journey Time
London Marylebone	3 per hour	49-63 mins
High Wycombe	2-3 per hour	21-31 mins
Haddenham and Thame	2-3 per hour	10-12 mins
Banbury	2 per hour	13-20 mins
Warwick	1 per hour	31-38 mins
Birmingham Snow Hill	1 per hour	69-78 mins

Chiltern Railways website has information on travel to and from the stations, including a journey planner tool to help you find up-to-date information on routes, fares and service changes. Their website is:

[www.chilternrailways.co.uk](http://www.chilternrailways.co.uk)



For rail travel further afield, you can plan your journey and find out train times at National Rail Enquiries which can be contacted at the address or telephone number below:

[www.nationalrail.co.uk](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk)

**08457 48 49 50**

### Wheelchair Accessibility at Stations

Bicester North Railway Station provides a helpline number **08456 005 165** for passengers with accessibility needs to call before accessing the stations. The station have staff on hand to assist wherever possible in addition to this ramp access is available onto the trains.

Bicester Village Railway Station provides two accessible parking spaces whilst six accessible parking spaces are provided at Bicester North Railway Station. More information on the facilities at the Stations can be found at the below sites:

Bicester Village Railway Station: [www.nationalrail.co.uk/stations\\_destinations/BIT.aspx](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/stations_destinations/BIT.aspx)

Bicester North Railway Station: [www.nationalrail.co.uk/stations\\_destinations/BCS.aspx](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/stations_destinations/BCS.aspx)

In addition to the above stations Oxford Parkway Railway Station is due to open in October 2015. Oxford Parkway station will open at Water Eaton in October and will have a train every 30 minutes to High Wycombe and London Marylebone. The trains will also call at the new Bicester Village station in London Road.

### Rail Service Concessions

National Rail offers a number of Railcards with a range of eligibilities that can save you a third on most rail fares. The Senior Railcard is available for those over 60 for an annual fee of £30 and the Disabled Persons Railcard gives you and one adult travelling with you reductions in tariff for an annual fee of £20.

Other railcards include the 16-25 Railcard, Two Together Railcard, Family & Friends Railcard and the HM Forces Railcard which all offer reductions on rail fares throughout Great Britain.

More information regarding eligibility and purchasing a Railcard can be found at the site below:

[www.nationalrail.co.uk/times\\_fares/46540.aspx](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/times_fares/46540.aspx)





## CAR SHARE

Car-sharing (also called liftsharing, ridesharing and carpooling) is when two or more people share a car and travel together. It allows individuals to benefit from the convenience of the car, whilst reducing the costs and alleviating the associated problems of congestion and pollution.



<https://oxfordshire.liftshare.com/>



Oxfordshire Liftshare has been set up to provide a matching service for all those who live, work and travel in and around Oxfordshire. This site matches you up with potential partners as a driver or passenger. Once matched, you can choose to journey share as little or as often as you like, with whoever you like!

Recommended safety measures to follow when considering a new car sharing partner:

- Avoid exchanging home addresses with your travelling companion before you meet them;
- Arrange to meet for the first time in a public place;
- Inform a friend or family member of who you will be travelling with, when and to where;
- Make sure you see each other's IDs - passports, student cards or driving licences - so you know you're travelling with the right person;
- You are under no obligation to go ahead with any car-share arrangement. If you have any doubts about your travelling companion, for any reason, then you don't have to travel with them.

A Quick Summary of car share cost savings based on 2 people sharing and petrol/diesel price of 115p per litre is provided below. The example highlighted is of someone travelling 30 miles to work who drives a diesel car with a 1.6 litre engine.

Distance to Work	Distance 2-Way	Weekly (5 Days)	Petrol			Diesel			Hybrid
			<1.4cc	1.4-2.0	>2.0cc	<1.4cc	1.4-2.0	>2.0cc	All
5 miles	10 miles	50 miles	£265	£305	£384	£221	£250	£300	£179
10 miles	20 miles	100 miles	£532	£610	£768	£442	£500	£600	£357
15 miles	30 miles	150 miles	£798	£914	£1152	£662	£750	£901	£536
20 miles	40 miles	200 miles	£1064	£1219	£1536	£883	£1000	£1201	£714
30 miles	60 miles	300 miles	£1596	£1829	£2305	£1325	<b>£1500</b>	£1802	£1072
40 miles	80 miles	400 miles	£2127	£2438	£3073	£1766	£2000	£2402	£1429
50 miles	100 miles	500 miles	£2659	£3048	£3841	£2208	£2501	£3003	£1786

## BLUE BADGE

Blue Badge permits provide parking concessions if you have severe mobility problems and have difficulty using public transport. Blue badge holders can either be the driver or the passenger of a vehicle they are travelling in. Blue Badges cost £10 for a new badge and must be renewed every three years. For more information on whether you are eligible for a Blue Badge and how to apply for a Blue Badge please visit the below websites:

[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/blue-badge-parking-permits](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/blue-badge-parking-permits)  
[www.gov.uk/apply-blue-badge](http://www.gov.uk/apply-blue-badge)

## BROADBAND

The development has access to broadband allowing residents to work from home, thus reducing the need to travel.

## HOME DELIVERIES

Along with other stores and supermarkets, Tesco and Sainsbury's supermarkets offer a home delivery service on goods bought online. The details of the local Tesco and Sainsbury's stores are provided below and at [www.tesco.com](http://www.tesco.com) and [www.sainsburys.co.uk](http://www.sainsburys.co.uk)

Tesco  
 Pingle Drive  
 Bicester  
 Oxfordshire  
 OX26 6WA  
**0345 6779063**

Sainsbury's  
 Pioneer Square  
 Bure Place  
 Bicester  
 OX26 6FA  
**01869 853600**

Supermarkets frequently offer discounts on home delivery orders, for example £15 off shops over £60 for first-time users.

Regular home delivery charges range from £1 to £6. Tesco and Sainsbury's have also recently introduced their 'Delivery Saver' and 'Delivery Pass' respectively, where customers can pay a one-off fee of £30 (for midweek deliveries) or £60 (for anytime deliveries) for a pass which saves on grocery delivery charges for a year.



## SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL EVENTS

Get involved in annual sustainable travel events, have fun, improve your health and meet new people! Bike Week is the UK's biggest mass participation cycling event. Bike Week events offer something for everyone; from families, schools and companies, to seasoned cyclists and those who have never cycled before. Bike Week runs annually in June. You can find out more and get involved at: [bikeweek.org.uk](http://bikeweek.org.uk)

Walk to Work Week is run by the national walking organisation Living Streets and usually takes place for a week in June. You can find out more and get involved at: [walktoworkweek.org.uk](http://walktoworkweek.org.uk)

Every Summer Bicester Bike Day takes place behind Bicester Leisure Centre to promote cycling as a fun and safe way to travel. It's free to attend and activities include a treasure hunt style bicycle ride, cyclo cross racing, BMX flatland tricks display, Bike Doctor fix, face painting, crafts, games and a BBQ so why not take the whole family along!



## TAXI COMPANIES

Bicester Taxis – 01869 713714 / [www.bicestertaxis.co.uk](http://www.bicestertaxis.co.uk)

Bicester Taxis – 01869 240000 / [www.bicester-taxi.co.uk](http://www.bicester-taxi.co.uk)

XPC Cars – 01869 232701 / <http://xpccars.co.uk>

001 Alpha Cars – 01869 252525 / 01869 242424 / 01869 323236 / 01869 248248 / [www.001alphacars.com](http://www.001alphacars.com)

## USEFUL INFORMATION AND WEBSITES

### Google Maps

[www.maps.google.co.uk](http://www.maps.google.co.uk)

Get walking directions on Google maps. Click on 'Get Directions', then select the walking icon, put in your start and finish points, and select 'Get Directions' and your walking route will appear.



[www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk](http://www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk)



[www.thames-travel.co.uk](http://www.thames-travel.co.uk)

### Chiltern Railways

If you think our way, travel our way.

[www.chilternrailways.co.uk](http://www.chilternrailways.co.uk)



[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/roads-and-transport](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/roads-and-transport)

Tel: 0845 310 11 11

Email: [highway.enquiries@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:highway.enquiries@oxfordshire.gov.uk)



<http://www.bicestergreen.org.uk/>

Offers a bike repair service on Monday, Tuesday and Friday's from 2pm-5pm and bicycle hire for a weekend, week or a month at a very reasonable cost!

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