

Plans for travel and transport in Cambridgeshire

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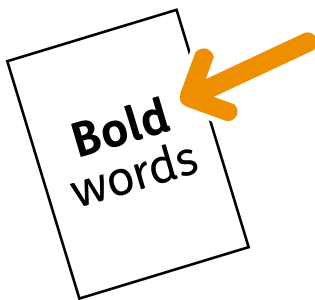


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In this Easy Read document, hard words are in **bold**. We explain what these words mean in the sentence after we have used them.



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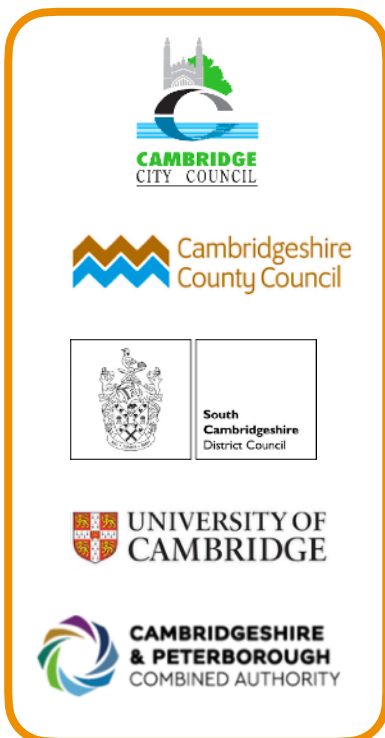
These are links that will go to another website which has more information.

Introduction



Greater Cambridgeshire Partnership has written these plans for travel and transport in Cambridgeshire.

Greater Cambridgeshire Partnership is a group of 5 organisations, working together:



- Cambridge City Council.
- Cambridgeshire County Council.
- South Cambridgeshire District Council.
- University of Cambridge.
- Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Business Board.



We want to know what you think about these plans for travel and transport by 12 midday on 23 December 2022.

Our ideas



We want to change how people travel around Cambridgeshire.



We want to do this by:

- Having more buses going to more places.



- Having cheaper bus fares.



- Making better walking and cycling paths.



- Making some vehicles pay to drive in Cambridge at certain times of the day.

Why change?



There is too much traffic on our roads causing **pollution** in the air and making **climate change** worse.



Pollution is dirty chemicals in the air that may make us ill and damage the world around us.



Climate change is big changes in the weather, like storms getting worse than they used to be, or having less rain in some places. This happens because the temperature of the world is getting hotter.

More people



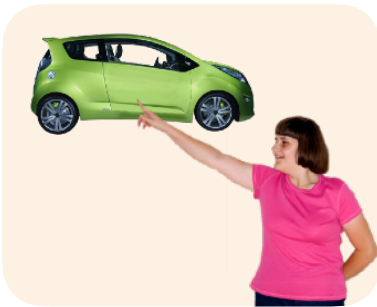
Over the next few years we expect more people to come to live and work in Cambridgeshire.

This will mean more traffic if we don't make changes to ways we travel.

Buses



There are not enough good buses and cheap bus fares in Cambridgeshire.



This means that more people use cars to travel around. This causes more traffic.



Less traffic

We want to lower the amount of traffic on our roads.

What you told us



In November and December 2021 we asked people what they thought about our ideas.

This is what we found out:



- Most people agreed with our ideas for more buses, better routes and cheaper bus fares.



- Most people agreed with our ideas to improve walking and cycling paths.



- Most people agreed that we should try to reduce pollution and the amount of traffic.



- More than half agreed with our idea to reduce the amount of traffic.

Our ideas for change

More buses

From the middle of 2023 we want:



- More buses in the early morning, in the evenings and at weekends.



- Buses to come every hour in many villages.



- More buses between larger villages, towns and Cambridge.



- Buses every 10 minutes inside Cambridge.

Bus ticket prices

From the 2024 we want:

- A ticket of just £1 for journeys inside Cambridge.
- A ticket of just £2 for journeys outside Cambridge.



Helping people use their cars less

We want:

- More people to travel by bus.



- More people to use car clubs - where people share a car.



- Local people to walk or cycle before thinking about using a car.

Active travel



Active travel means travelling in a way that keeps you fit and healthy. It means walking and cycling instead of going by car.

We want to help people to be more active by:



- Having more places that you can park your bike.



- Encouraging people to walk and cycle more.



- Having more paths you can cycle on safely away from roads and cars.



- Having more paths you can cycle on to more places.

Changing roads

We want to change how we design roads so that they are:

- Safer for cycling and walking.
- Nicer for local communities.



Charging vehicles to drive in Cambridge

We want to reduce the traffic in Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire by charging vehicles to come in from 7am to 7pm from 2027.



The charges would be:

- Cars and motorbikes: £5 a day.



- Large vehicles and minibuses: £10 a day.





- Coaches and very large trucks: £50 a day.



Buses and taxis would not have to pay charges.



Cars and vans for disabled people would also not have to pay charges.

How things will change



With these changes there will be:

- More buses, and more people will travel by bus.



- Half as much traffic on the roads.



- Less of the pollution that is causing climate change.



- More people cycling and walking.



- More people who are healthy and fit.



- Less noise from roads.

Other schemes



Our plans for travel and transport will fit in well with some other schemes that we are working on.

These are:



- 4 new busways which will connect local communities around Cambridge with the city centre. These busways will let buses travel quickly in and out of the city.



- 10,000 more car parking spaces at the edge of Cambridge, so people can park and then get the bus into the city. These car parks will have electric charging points for people who have electric cars.



- 12 new paths, called Greenways, into the city for cyclists, walkers and horse riders.



- 13 more cycling paths through the city.

What do you think?

Please tell us what you think about these plans by:



- Completing the online survey at:
www.greatercambridge.org.uk/mc-2022



- Sending us an email to:
consultations@greatercambridge.org.uk



- Phoning us on: 01223 699 906



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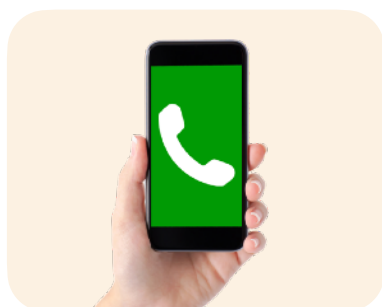


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