



Travel Plan Welcome Pack



WELCOME TO YOUR NEW HOME

Accent Housing





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Welcome

Welcome to your new home! This Welcome Pack aims to introduce to you what a Travel Plan is and how it can benefit you in your new home.

A Travel Plan is a legal obligation required by developers to ensure their development is sustainable and as 'green' as possible. Your Travel Plan is here to help you take steps towards a more sustainable future. A Travel Plan is a FREE initiative which helps you make the most of your local travel.

Paul Basham Associates are working on behalf of Accent Housing to help get you started in your new home. We are here to help with any travel related queries you have.

Our website provides you with more detailed information on what a Travel Plan is, as well as all the information you need to know about your local area. This website will hold the most up to date information and you can use it to access all travel information. Visit us here: www.tpc-paulbashamassociates.com

Claim your FREE bus travel voucher!

Upon moving into your new home, you are eligible to claim a free bus travel voucher for your local bus services.

This voucher is only valid on the Stephenson's of Essex bus service 12

Please contact the Assistant Development Manager at Accent within 2 months of moving in to request this voucher. Please contact via Email: devadm@accentgroup.org and Tel: [0345 678 0555](tel:03456780555)

This Welcome Pack is designed to assist you as you travel in, out and around your new home

Top Tips for Travelling Sustainably



Are you unsure how you can travel sustainably? These top tips will help get you out of the car and make the use of your local cycle and walking routes and public transport services.

1

Plan Your Journey - Make use of journey planning applications to check for convenient and sustainable travel options.

2

Walk and Cycle - Walking and cycling are the most sustainable modes of transport and are also a good way to keep fit and healthy.

3

Make Low Emissions a Priority - When purchasing a vehicle or choosing another mode of transport always consider fuel efficiencies and the amount of pollution it will emit.

4

Consider Car sharing- It is a great way to share the cost of fuel and car parking while also giving you time to relax on your daily commute.

5

Think Ahead - Bundle a number of small errands into one trip to save time and fuel.

6

Have Local Adventures - Next time you're planning an outing choose somewhere local where it is possible to walk or cycle to.

7

Consider Public Transport - This is a great way to get around while helping to lowering congestion on the local road network.

Walking & Cycling

Benefits of Walking:

Walking has many health benefits. It is a great way to get outdoors and exercise physically and mentally.

Bottisham provides many footways and footpaths within the village which produce an attractive walking environment.

Walking is a great way to stay active and travel sustainably!



Walking Facilities near you:

Bell Road which runs parallel to your home is equipped with footways which are ideal for walking into Bottisham and to your local bus stops.

Public rights of way footpaths are located to the north and south of Bottisham, these provide you with access to a pedestrian only rural walking route.

Visit the Cambridgeshire County Council website for more details on your local footpaths: www.Cambridgeshire.gov.uk



 DID YOU KNOW that walking increases blood flow to the brain and improves your mood 



Cycling from Bottisham is quick and easy. Did you know that it is approximately a 30-minute cycle into Cambridge City Centre.



National Cycle Network (NCN) route 51 runs along Bell Road in the vicinity of your new home. NCN route 51 travels through Bottisham connecting east into Newmarket and continuing to Felixstowe, situated along the East of England coast.

Visit www.sustrans.org.uk to find out more.

Halfords Cambridge – your local bike shop! Based in Cambridge on the Cambridge Retail Park and only a 27-minute cycle away. Halfords is a convenient place to go for your cycling needs.

They have display bikes, clothing and accessories, and a free bike check to ensure your bike is safe.

Visit www.halfords.com/bikes to find out more

Bottisham is located to the east of Cambridge.

The surrounding areas offer an attractive cycling environment ready to be explored.

Visit www.Komoot.com to discover cycling routes near you!



Bus Services



The bus operator in your area is Stephenson's of Essex; see the **Useful Contacts** chapter for further information.

Regular bus services provide transport connections to facilities in the local and wider surrounding area, alongside furthering public transport services.

Local Bus Service:

The local area is served by the Stephenson's of Essex 12 bus service; with a service every hour Monday – Saturday between the hours of 07:35-18:40, with no bus service running on a Sunday.

The Stephenson's of Essex bus service 12 operates between Cambridge and Newmarket.

Visit: www.stephensonsofexsex.com for more information.



Where to catch the bus:

The nearest bus stop are the Bell Road dual bus stops located along High Street. There are 3 accessible bus stops located along High Street, all providing access to bus service 12. These bus stops are approximately 700m, a 9-minute walk, from your new home (as shown on the local area map).

Why take the bus?

- ✔ The walk to and from the bus is a great way to incorporate some physical activity into your daily routine
- ✔ Relax and read a book whilst you travel to your destination
- ✔ Season tickets offer unlimited travel on services and can prove cheaper than running a car

Rail Services



Cambridge Railway Station is located approximately 11 km from your home in Cambridge city centre; accessible within an approximate 35-minute cycle.

From Cambridge Railway Station, Greater Anglia and Cross Country train services run on a frequent basis to key destinations such as London Liverpool Street, London Kings Cross, Norwich, and London Stanstead Airport.

Network Railcard  **National Rail**

Purchasing a Network Railcard will give you up to a 1/3 off rail fares and will allow you to travel across 16 counties (inc. London). Visit www.network-railcard.co.uk

If you're a keen cyclist and fancy getting the train, then plan your journey with **PlusBike**. It's a free resource tool with all the information you need to plan a stress free journey, visit plusbike.nationalrail.co.uk

Station Facilities

- 2850 cycle storage spaces
- Toilets
- ATM machine
- Seating Area
- WiFi
- Refreshment facilities and shops



Travelling by Car



Enterprise Car Club

Enterprise is a pay as you go car hire scheme, with 1500 vehicle locations in the UK. Enterprise is a great way to get around your local area for day trips or work events at a fraction of the price. Book by phone or simply book online. Join **Enterprise for £20 for your first year with the code CAMB20 and receive £20 free driving credit!**



Green driving tips –

1. Check your tyres regularly
2. Buy a fuel-efficient vehicle
3. Slow down when possible
4. Most importantly, try and walk, cycle and take public transportation!

Electric charging points in Cambridge:

Barnwell BP garage (5.5km from you)

Barnwell McDonalds (7km from your home)

Visit www.zap-map.com for more information on available charging points in your local area.



Car sharing is a great way to have access to a car without owning one. You also get the opportunity to engage with people making the same journey as you in your local area. Why not try it out using your local car club providers

Liftshare carshare website – Join for free!

Save money by sharing costs with other people – a commuter can typically save around £1,000 a year by carsharing. Reduce stress and cut your carbon footprint at the same time.



Visit www.liftshare.com for more information on how to join.

Cost Comparison – Car vs. Sustainable Modes of Travel

Every year, the average person in the UK makes around 44 car journeys which are under a mile long (20 minutes walk), either as a passenger or driver. That's about 1 a week. Sometimes of course it's necessary to drive, but why not make it your mission to ditch the car and walk or cycle for those shorter journeys!

Cycling is second only to walking as the cheapest way to get to work, and it is far more practical over average commuting distances. Cycling burns calories rather than cash.

Switch to a bike for your journey to work and you could save over £3,000 every year!

Visit www.cyclescheme.co.uk to find out how you could be cutting costs.

There are a host of amenities and services that are accessible via walking and cycling from your new home, so you could save money by using your car less whilst also exercising more!

Road Safety Information



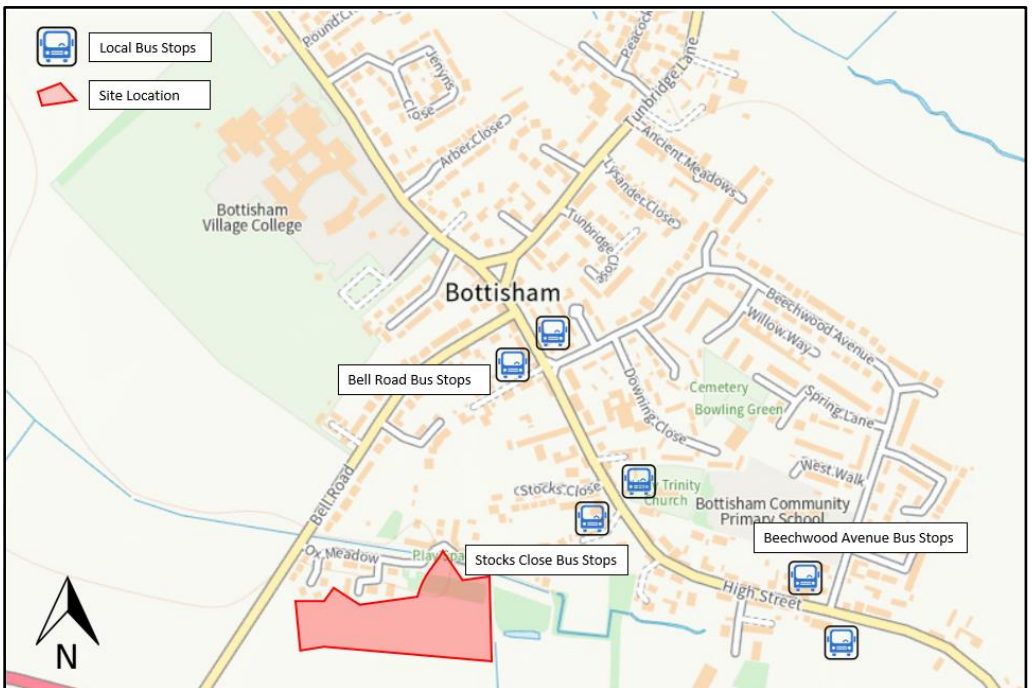
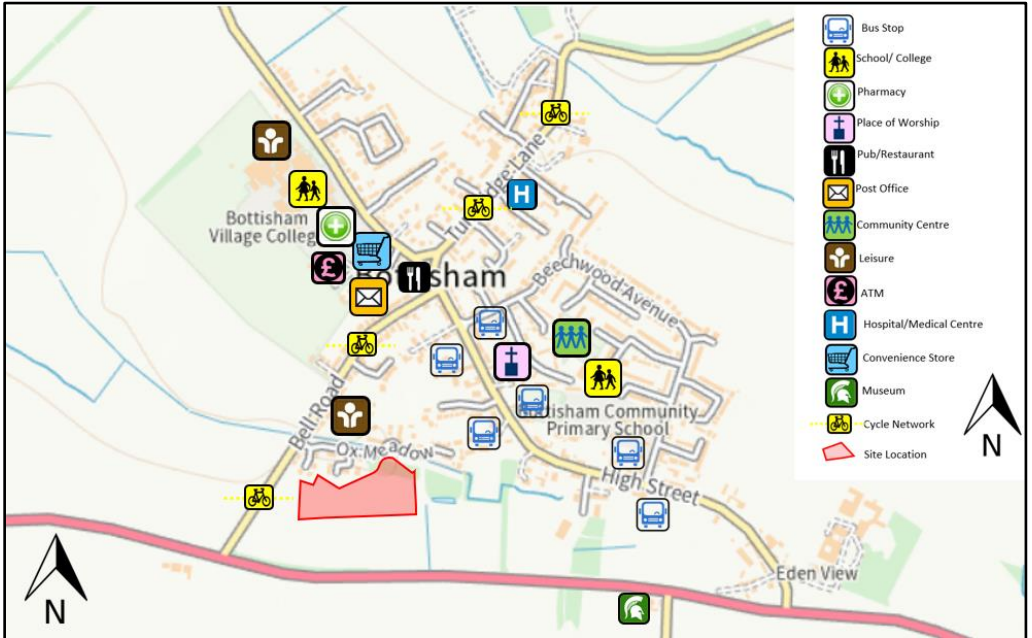
Children should not go out alone until they are old enough to know the **Green Cross Code** and use it properly. The age is different for all children, but it is generally not before they are 8 years old. To follow the code they must:

1. Find a safe place to cross
2. Stand on the footway near the kerb
3. Look all round for traffic and listen
4. If traffic is coming – let it pass then look all around again
5. When there is no traffic near, walk straight across the road
6. Keep looking and listening for traffic while crossing



When walking along the road **ALWAYS** walk on the footway or path if there is one and walk in single file on the right side of the road facing the traffic if there's no footway. www.think.gov.uk has all the information you need about road safety.

Local Area Maps



Local Amenities & Facilities

Your new home is located within Cambridgeshire and is a 10-minute walk from Bottisham High Street. Here you can find a wide range of local services and shops.

Cambridge city centre is also approximately 10km away and can be reached using bus route 12, picked up in Bottisham High Street.



Education

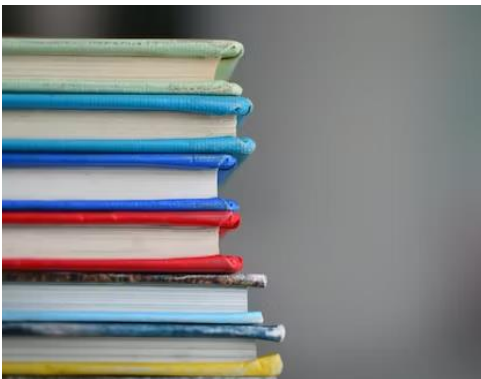
Bottisham has a Primary School and Secondary School within the village.

Bottisham Primary School is located approximately 1.3km from your home. Bottisham Village College is located approximately 900m north of your home. Therefore, both schools are in ideal locations to walk to school.

Healthcare

Bottisham Medical Practice is located approximately 900m from your home and provides an accessible GP Practice.

Addenbrooke's Hospital is located to the south of Cambridgeshire city centre, approximately 12km from your home. Therefore, Bottisham provides access to many surrounding healthcare facilities.



Fitness



Bottisham Sports Centre is approximately 1km (4 minute cycle or 12-13 minute walk) north of your home at Bottisham Village Collage.

Bottisham Sports Centre offers clubs, swimming lessons and fitness classes for you and your family to enjoy. For more details visit:

www.bottishamsports.co.uk



Activities



Bottisham offers the best of both with Cambridge city centre being an accessible distance from your home, whilst still being located within the rural suburbs allowing you to enjoy the local nature trails and open spaces.

There are footpaths located through the centre of Bottisham, and a local playground located approximately 1.4km from your home.

Other local places of interest include:

- Wandlebury Country Park – approximately 21km away.
- Bottisham Airfield Museum- approximately 1.3km away.

Amenity/Facility	Distance	Walking time in minutes (80metres per minute)
Convenience Shop (The Co-operative Food)	350m	5 minutes
Primary School (Bottisham Primary School)	1100m	14 minutes
GP Surgery (Bottisham Medical Practise)	700m	9 minutes
Restaurant/Pub (The Bell)	350m	5 minutes
Community Centre/Playground (Bottisham Community Sport/Social Club)	1300m	16 minutes

Useful Contact Information

Walking & Cycling:

- ✔ Free group walk schemes
www.ramblers.org.uk/
- ✔ Halfords www.halfords.com
- ✔ Sustrans (National Cycle Routes)
www.sustrans.org.uk/ncn/map
- ✔ Cycle Street (Cycle Route Planner)
www.cyclestreets.net
- ✔ Cambridgeshire County Council cycling page
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roads-and-parking/cycling

Public Transport:

- ✔ Local bus operators
www.stephensonsofsex.com
- ✔ Cambridgeshire County Council local bus information
www.cambridgeshirebus.info/
- ✔ Public transport journey planner
www.traveline.info
- ✔ Local Rail Operator
www.greataAnglia.co.uk
www.crosscountrytrains.co.uk
- ✔ Rail journey planner links
www.nationalrail.co.uk
www.thetrainline.com



Smartphone Apps

- ✔ Trainline
- ✔ National Rail
- ✔ Cycle Streets
- ✔ Map My Walk
- ✔ National Cycle Network
- ✔ Zap-Map (electric charging locations)

Car Share Schemes

- ✔ Lift Share
www.liftshare.com/uk
- ✔ Share-a-Lift
www.share-a-lift.co.uk
- ✔ BlaBlaCar
www.blablacar.co.uk/ride-sharing

Live Traffic Information

- ✔ Live Roadworks
<https://one.network>
- ✔ The AA
www.theaa.com/route-planner/traffic-news
- ✔ National Highways (formally Highways England)
www.highways.gov.uk/traffic-information



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