



# Community and public transport in South Cambridgeshire



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District Council**

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This guide is designed to give information on community and public transport schemes and their providers operating in South Cambridgeshire. We want to increase awareness of what is available and help people to locate and contact providers.

We are keen to offer choice to the public and encourage the use of all types of public and community transport.

## Train travel


### Traveline






The [Traveline East Anglia website](#) provides comprehensive information for all local public transport services and offers door-to-door journey planning across the whole of England, Scotland and Wales.

You can also use Traveline for [information about other regions](#).

### Train operators

For timetables and other information contact [National Rail](#).

 03457 484 950


Operator	Details
<b>Cross Country</b>  0844 811 0124 Textphone: 0844 811 0126	To Stanstead Airport and Birmingham New Street, visit the <a href="#">Cross Country website</a> .
<b>Govia Thameslink Railway</b>  0345 026 4700 Assisted travel information  0800 058 2844 Textphone: 0800 138 1018	To London King's Cross via Foxton, Shepreth and Meldreth. To King's Lynn via Waterbeach, visit the <a href="#">Govia Thameslink Railway website</a> . Or download Thameslink's 'OnTrack' app
<b>Greater Anglia</b>  0345 600 7245 (option 8) Assisted travel information  0800 028 2878	To London Liverpool Street via Shelford, Whittlesford Parkway and Great Chesterford. To Ipswich via Newmarket. To Norwich, visit the <a href="#">Greater Anglia website</a> . Or download Greater Anglia's app.





## Railcards

A variety of railcards are available including the 16–25 Railcard, 26–30 Railcard, Family and Friends Railcard, Two Together Railcard, Senior Railcard, Disabled Person's Railcard, and Network Railcard. These give at least one third off most rail fares. Railcards can be purchased at stations, over the phone or via the [website](#).

 0345 300 0250

## Student Connect Cards

If you are 16–18 and travel on the Great Northern Rail Line out of Cambridgeshire to your school or college, you could get a discount card with up to 34 per cent off. If your school or college is in Cambridgeshire you can apply for the Cambridgeshire Student Connect Card, which gives you a bigger discount of 50 per cent. Visit the [website](#) for more information.

## How to make arrangements for assistance with rail travel

If you would like assistance when making a journey, such as help getting on or off a train, or ramps for a wheelchair, please contact the train company that manages the station you are starting your journey from. More information can be found by typing 'disabled passengers' into the search box on the [website](#).


## Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton Community Rail Partnership

[This group](#) represents the interests of rail users and the local community using the Govia Thameslink Railway, specifically issues relating to Shepreth, Meldreth and Foxton train stations. The aim of the group is to work on the retention, improvement and greater usage of the Cambridge to King's Cross line between Royston and Cambridge.


## Bus travel

### Bus operators

Timetables and other information is available from [Cambridgeshire County Council](#).

 **0345 045 0675**

Alternatively please find further information available from [Traveline](#).

 **0871 200 2233**

The following bus operators are active in the district.

Operator	Telephone/Website
A2B Bus and Coach	<a href="#">The A2B Bus and Coach website</a>
Big Green Bus Company	01440 712 712 <a href="#">Big Green Bus Company website</a>
CG Myall & Son	01763 243 225 <a href="#">CG Myall &amp; Son website</a>
Cozy Travel Ltd	0345 265 8888 <a href="#">Cozy Travel Ltd website</a>
Grant palmer	01525 719 719 <a href="#">Grant Palmer website</a>
HACT	01480 411 114 <a href="#">HACT website</a>
Stagecoach in Cambridge	01223 433 250 <a href="#">Stagecoach website</a>
Stagecoach in the Fens	01480 309 084 <a href="#">Stagecoach website</a>
Whippet Coaches	01954 230 011 <a href="#">Whippet Coaches website</a>

### The Busway

[The Busway](#) gives a fast, frequent and reliable service between Huntingdon, St Ives and Cambridge via Swavesey, Longstanton, Oakington, Histon and Impington, which runs every 7 minutes. Visit the website for full details of timetables, fares and frequently asked questions.


Services on Routes A, B, N & R are operated by Stagecoach (01480 309 084) and Route C & U Services by Whippet (01954 230 011).





## Concessionary bus passes

England's national concessionary bus pass entitles the holder to travel free of charge on off-peak local bus services anywhere in England. Find out from [Cambridgeshire County Council](#) whether you are eligible for a bus pass and how to apply, and for off-peak times.

 0345 045 1367

## Cambridge Park & Ride


**Park & Ride** provides direct travel into Cambridge, with some routes connecting directly to Addenbrooke's Hospital. The five Park & Ride sites are located at Babraham Road, Madingley Road, Milton, Newmarket Road and Trumpington. Bus passes may be used after 9.30am, Monday to Friday, and all weekend.

Parking is free for 18 hours. Longer stay parking is also available – charges do apply. This can be paid on site, or there is a pre-pay option available online. For details of opening times, timetables, bus fares and other information about each site visit the County Council's website.

## Blue Badge parking permits

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 the vehicle they are travelling in.

You can apply for or renew a [Blue Badge via the Government's website](#) or through the Enquiry Support Service over the phone.

 0343 100 1000

More information about who is eligible for a Blue Badge can be found on [Cambridgeshire County Council's website](#).

## Community car schemes

The Care Network helps set up, support and sustain community car schemes to enable people to stay healthy, independent and connect with their community.

### How does it work?

If you think your community needs a community car scheme, please get in touch. The Care Network team can help with:

- Working out an action plan to get started
- Finding volunteers
- Connecting to funding
- Developing and printing leaflets and posters
- Making sure the group or scheme is safe and legal

## The Care Network supports Community Car Schemes and Community Car and Good Neighbours Schemes

### Get in touch

Contact your local Community Development Officer.



[southcambsscd@care-network.org.uk](mailto:southcambsscd@care-network.org.uk)



01954 211 919

Charity no. 1120693

Community car schemes provide a highly valued service to those who would otherwise be unable to get to medical appointments, to the shops or other services or keep in touch with relatives and friends. Journeys are provided by voluntary drivers and are booked through a co-ordinator. Most community car schemes use drivers based in your village to whom you pay a per-mile rate. This keeps the cost down.










If you cannot find a scheme covering your parish or the area where you live it is worth contacting a neighbouring scheme which may be able to help you (see the map on page 10). You would have to pay the cost of the 'dead mileage' to cover the additional distance a vehicle would have to come to reach you.














Supporting Volunteers  
Encouraging Independence  
Developing Good Neighbour Projects











# Community Development

Working with local communities

Name of car scheme	Village served	Eligible journeys
<b>Balsham Good Neighbour Scheme</b>  07508 430 057	Balsham, West Wratting, West Wickham, Weston Colville	Medical and essential social journeys
<b>Bar Hill &amp; Lolworth CCS</b>  01954 211 919	Bar Hill, Lolworth	Medical and social journeys
<b>Barrington Car Scheme</b>  07756 506 090	Barrington	Medical and social journeys
<b>Barton Community Car Scheme</b>  01954 211 919	Barton	Medical journeys
<b>Bassingbourn Car Scheme</b> (part of the Heron Group)  01763 256 871	Bassingbourn, Kneesworth	Medical and social journeys
<b>Beaches Community Car Scheme</b>  07807 875 878	Waterbeach, Landbeach, Horningsea, Milton, Chittering	Medical and social journeys
<b>Bourn Community Car Scheme</b>  07948 112 531	Bourn	Medical journeys
<b>Caldecote, Dry Drayton &amp; Hardwick Community Car Scheme</b>  01954 210 638	Caldecote, Dry Drayton, Hardwick, Childerley	Medical and social journeys
<b>Cambourne Car Scheme</b>  07526 998 465	Cambourne, Papworth, Elsworth, Knapwell, Caxton	Medical and social journeys
<b>Comberton Village Help Scheme</b>  01223 262 246	Comberton	Medical and social journeys
<b>Cottenham Care Car Scheme</b>  01954 251 929	Cottenham, Oakington	Medical and social journeys

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<b>Eversden Car Scheme</b>  07866 609 810	Great and Little Eversden	Medical and essential social journeys
<b>Foxton Social Car Scheme</b>  01223 572 147	Foxton	Medical and essential social journeys
<b>Fulbourn Community Car Scheme</b>  01223 756 446	Fulbourn	Medical and essential social journeys
<b>Gamlingay &amp; the Hatleys Care Car Scheme</b>  07519 493 701	Gamlingay, Hatley St George, East Hatley, Little and Great Gransden, Croydon, Tadlow, Longstowe	Medical and essential social journeys
<b>Grantchester Car and Neighbourhood (CAN) Scheme</b>  07752 678 252	Grantchester	Medical and essential social journeys
<b>Guilden Morden Car Scheme</b> (part of the Heron Group)  01263 852125	Guilden Morden	Medical and social journeys
<b>Harston Social Car Scheme</b>  01223 871 657	Harston	Medical and essential social journeys
<b>Haslingfield &amp; Harlton Community Car Scheme</b>  07800 883 634	Haslingfield, Harlton	Medical and social journeys
<b>Histon, Impington &amp; Girton Community Car Scheme</b>  07982 108 927	Histon, Impington, Girton	Medical and social journeys
<b>Ickleton Medical Car Scheme</b>  01799 531 779	Ickleton	Medical journeys
<b>Litlington Social Car Scheme</b> (part of the Heron Group)  01763 852 272	Litlington, Abington Pigotts	Medical and social journeys



Name of car scheme	Village served	Eligible journeys
<b>Orwell Social Car Scheme</b> (part of the Heron Group)  01223 207 307	Orwell, Wimpole	Medical and social journeys
<b>OWLS Community Car Scheme</b>  07505 254 363	Over, Willingham, Longstanton, Swavesey	Medical and social journeys
<b>Rampton Car Care Scheme</b>  01954 204 481	Rampton	Medical and social journeys
<b>Shelford Support Group</b>  07804 041 173	Great and Little Shelford, Stapleford	Medical and social journeys
<b>Steeple Morden Car Scheme</b> (part of the Heron Group)  01763 852 602	Steeple Morden	Medical and social journeys
<b>St Ives Community Car Scheme</b>  01480 301 462	Fen Drayton	Medical and social journeys
<b>St Neots Community Car Scheme</b>  01480 476 047	Caxton, Eltisley, Graveley	Medical and social journeys
<b>Toft Car Scheme</b>  01223 262 814	Toft	Medical and social journeys
<b>Royston &amp; District Community Transport</b>  01763 245 228	See map on page 10	Medical and social journeys  MPV available for single wheelchair users who cannot transfer to a car
<b>The Voluntary Network – Haverhill Area</b>  01440 712 028	See map on page 10	See map on page 10

# Community Car and Transport Schemes across South Cambridgeshire



-  Royston & District Community Transport (RDCT) 01763 245228
  -  The Voluntary Network – Haverhill Area 01440 712028
  -  Taxicard Scheme

	Balsham Good Neighbour Scheme 07508 430057		Ickleton Medical Car Scheme 01799 531779
	Bar Hill & Lolsworth 01954 211919		Litlington Social Car Scheme 01763 852272
	Barrington Car Scheme 07756 506090		Orwell Social Car Scheme 01223 207307
	Barton Community Car Scheme 01954 211919		OWLS Community Car Scheme 07505254363
	Bassingbourn Car Scheme 01763 256871		Rampton Car Share Scheme 01954 204481
	Beaches Communiy Car Scheme 07807875878		Shelford Support Group 01223 843856
	Bourn Community Car Scheme 07948 112531		Steepe Morden Car Scheme 01763 852602
	Caldecote, Dry Drayton & Hardwick Community Car Scheme 01954 210638		St. Ives Community Car Scheme 01480 301462
	Cambourne Car Scheme 07526 998465		St. Neots Community Car Scheme 01480 476047
	Comberton Village Help Scheme 01223 262246		Toft Car Scheme 01223 262814
	Cottenham Care Car Scheme 01954 251929		
	Eversden Car Scheme 07866 609810		
	Foxton Social Car Scheme 01223 572147		
	Fulbourn Community Car Scheme 01223 756466		
	Gamlingay & Hatleys Care Car Scheme 07519 493701		
	Grantchester CAN Car Scheme 07752 678252		
	Guilden Morden Car Scheme 01763 852125		
	Harston Social Car Scheme 01223 871657		
	Haslingfield & Harlton Community Car Scheme 07800 883634		
	Histon, Implington & Girton Community Car Scheme 07982 108927		




## Minibuses and wheelchair accessible transport hire



### Histon and Impington community minibus


This group operates a community minibus locally which is available for group and private hire journeys. The minibus is fully wheelchair accessible.

 01223 232 514

### Milton Scout Group minibus

[This group](#) owns a 15 seat (including driver) minibus for use by community groups, clubs and non-profit organisations for social purposes.

 [minibus@50thcambridgescouts.org](mailto:minibus@50thcambridgescouts.org)


 01223 860160

### Royston and District Community Transport

This group has wheelchair accessible minibuses up to 16 seats. Community groups and clubs, plus not-for-profit organisations, can hire these vehicles with a driver supplied. Please see the separate entries listed above for contact details.

### Voluntary Network – Haverhill Area

Haverhill Dial a Ride service provides affordable and accessible door to door transport for those who find it difficult to use public transport, with a £15 annual membership fee. Wheels within Wheels Service is a smaller wheelchair accessible vehicle available for hire. Passengers can provide their own driver or often the Network can offer a volunteer driver. Charged per mile.

 01440 712 028

## Cam Share

Cam Share is part of the Lifeshare Network which enables organised car sharing by connecting people travelling in the same direction so they can arrange to travel together and share the costs, whilst reducing congestion and pollution at the same time.


## Taxicard scheme

The Taxicard scheme aims to provide assistance towards the cost of taxi journeys for people who have difficulties getting or using public transport and do not own their own vehicle. The scheme is restricted to those aged 65 or over who live in the parishes listed below, and is mainly for essential purposes such as medical appointments or shopping

- Babraham
- Cambourne (Great, Lower & Upper)
- Fen Ditton
- Fulbourn
- Girton
- Grantchester
- Histon
- Horningsea
- Impington
- Oakington
- Papworth Everard
- Sawston
- Teversham

## How does the scheme work?

Certain taxi operators in your area accept Taxicard vouchers as means of payment. Each voucher has a value of £2.50 but only costs you 75p. If for example your taxi fare is £10, can use four vouchers, or one voucher and pay the remaining £7.50 in cash.

 01223 715 606

 [community.transport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:community.transport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)



## Shopmobility


[Shopmobility schemes](#) can lend manual wheelchairs and powered scooters to members of the public with limited mobility to shop or visit leisure and other facilities within the town or shopping centre.

## Demand Responsive Transport

Demand Responsive Transport is a transport solution for people living in rural areas not served by conventional buses. The fully accessible bus provides scheduled services at peak times and pre-bookable door to door journeys during the middle of the day. Concessionary bus passes can be used.

Service 28 operates between the villages of Abbotsley, Arrington, Caxton, Croxton, Croydon, East Hatley, Eltisley, Gamlingay, Great Eversden, Great Gransden, Hatley St George, Little Eversden, Little Gransden, Longstowe, Orwell, Waresley and Wimpole, or to St Neots or Cambourne, which will also allow connections to other destinations.

The on demand service must be booked by 1pm the day before travel with operators Huntingdonshire Association for Community Transport (HAT).

 **01480 411 114**

The booking line is open 9am to 1pm, Monday to Friday.



## NHS non-emergency patient transport

In general, patients are responsible for getting themselves to and from non-urgent NHS appointments. NHS Cambridgeshire funds patient transport for the following circumstances:

- Where the patient's medical condition is such that they require the skills and support of Patient Transport Services (PTS) staff and where it would be detrimental to the patient's condition or recovery if they were to travel by other means
- Where the patient's medical condition affects their mobility so that they would not be able to access healthcare by other means
- Where the patient's cognitive state or lack of motivation could result in non-attendance if their travel were unsupported.

PTS may also be provided to a patient's escort or carer (one escort only) where their particular skills and/or support are needed.

Children under the age of 16 years must be accompanied by a responsible parent or guardian.

Patient transport is arranged through you GP surgery and is subject to eligibility. If an escort is required you must let your GP know at the time of booking transport.

If you are not eligible for patient transport you will need to make your own travel arrangements. Alternative types of transport are listed in this booklet.

## Help with travel costs

If you are on income-based benefits, low income or are a war pensioner you may be able to get help with your travel costs.

For more information contact [Patient Advice and Liaison Service \(PALS\)](#).




**Addenbrooke's PALS: 01223 216 756**



**Papworth Hospital PALS: 01480 364 896**


## Useful contacts

### Cambridgeshire County Council

 0345 045 0675


 [Visit Cambridgeshire County Council's website](#)

### Care Network Cambridgeshire

 01954 211 919

 [Visit the Care Network Cambridgeshire website](#)

### National Rail Enquires

 0845 748 4950


 [Visit National Rail's website](#)

### Patient Advice & Liaison Service (PALS)

 0800 279 253 | 01223 216 756


 [Visit the PALS website](#)

### South Cambridgeshire District Council

 03450 450 500

 [Visit the District Council's website](#)

### Traveline

 0871 200 2233

 [Visit the Traveline website](#)

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