



Darwin Green 2025 Travel Newsletter



How's it going?

On behalf of Barratt Homes & David Wilson Homes, Smarter Travel Ltd would like to thank the residents of Darwin Green for their continued engagement during the Travel Plan period, including participation in the annual Travel Survey to understand how travel behaviour changes over time, and how we might be able to help you travel more sustainably in future.



Congratulations to our 3 prize winners this year! We always offer a prize draw in the annual Travel Surveys, up for grabs was a £200 Decathlon voucher, a Closca foldable cycle helmet worth £99 and a £50 Kind Bag voucher, all carefully selected to help you travel more sustainably. Look out for next years' survey in Springtime, we'll be giving away more goodies!

We're pleased to share that the Darwin Green Travel Plan target has been achieved ahead of schedule, we were aiming for a 5% reduction of cars / vans travelling in and out of the development by Year 5 (2026), but thanks to your sustainable travel choices we have already reached a 10% reduction in Year 4 (2025)!

In March 2025, we introduced Voi micromobility E-Bikes and E-Scooters to Darwin Green, with a bay on Galton Road outside the Community Rooms. Compared to the mode split we observed in 2024, the number of people cycling increased by 69% in 2025 which has likely helped us to successfully achieve our target. Read more about the scheme on page 4.



Visit darwingreentp.co.uk to find travel information for your local area, view the latest Travel Plan update and if not done so already, claim your welcome voucher (see page 7 for details of how to claim).

We hope you find this newsletter useful. If you have any travel related queries, please do get in touch. Our contact details can be found on the back page.

Your Travel Plan Coordinator



Public Transport

The closest bus stops to Darwin Green and Franklin Gardens are currently Lawrence Weaver Road on Huntingdon Road and Brownlow Road on Histon Road, respectively. Local Stagecoach services include:

5: runs half hourly Monday - Saturday and hourly on Sundays between Cambridge City Centre - Bar Hill - Northstowe (Longstanton Park & Ride).

6: runs approx. every 35-mins Monday - Saturday and hourly on Sundays between Cambridge City Centre - Girton - Oakington.

8: runs approx. every 40-mins Monday - Friday, every 30-mins on Saturdays and hourly on Sundays between Cambridge City Centre - Histon - Impington Village College - Cottenham - Rampton.



8A: runs approx every 30-mins Monday - Saturday between Cambridge City Centre - Histon Road - Orchard Park.

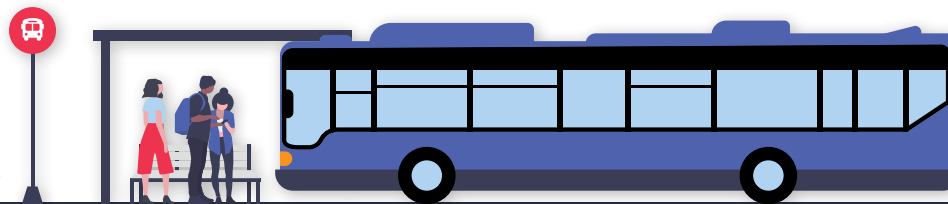
Tiger 2: runs hourly Monday - Saturday (approx. 6am-10pm) between Newmarket Road Park & Ride - Milton Park & Ride - Impington - Eddington - Madingley Road Park & Ride.

For timetables and travel updates, scan the QR code or visit stagecoachbus.com

Cambridge Train Station is around an 18-min cycle from home, with 2,850 cycle storage spaces available, or you can use Voi from Galton Road, there is a parking bay outside the station for seamless connectivity. The station has step-free access to all platforms (7 & 8 via lifts) so you could take your bike on the train (booking ahead is advised, restricted usage at peak times). For more travel info, visit: greateranglia.co.uk/travel-information/station-information/cbg

Did you know there are 9 different Railcards that can save you up to 1/3 on train travel? Are you 16-25, 26-30 or 60+? Perhaps a veteran or disabled? Maybe you want to travel with family and friends? There's something to suit for just £35 a year (Disabled Persons Railcard capped at £20). Have a browse: railcard.co.uk

Cambridge Dial-a-Ride provides community transport for groups and individuals who otherwise have difficulty accessing public transport. Wheelchair friendly buses are available Monday - Friday for appointments, social visits & shopping. £15 a year for membership plus £5 per single journey (with valid Bus Pass). Call 01223 506335 to book or visit cambridgedialaride.org.uk/about-us



Active Travel

Where's your sense of adventure?

Find it with **Strava.com** by following family, friends, even athletes' adventures, log over 30 activities on the app, such as walking and cycling, and have fun with new challenges to keep you motivated.



If you are walking, wheeling or cycling, plan ahead with the **BBC Weather** app to check if you'll need to grab a coat, brolly or boots.

Your local cycle shop is **Outspoken Cycles**, a 4-minute cycle from home. They offer a range of bikes and accessories as well as adult and children cycle training sessions. You may be eligible to claim a free cycle training session.



Explore with the **Cambridge Ramblers** group and find local walking routes and group walking events in and around Cambridgeshire.

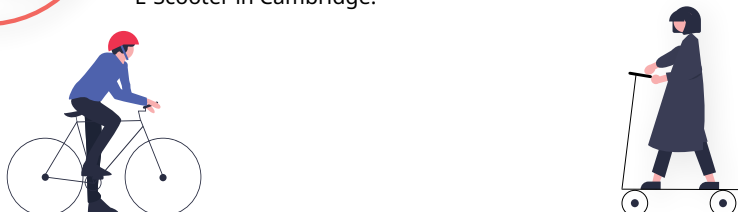
Spot any issues in the roads, footpaths or cycleways? Report it to highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/en

Would you like to be part of the Cycle Buddy Scheme which partners confident riders with people who need a confidence boost on the roads? Whichever you are, if you'd like to get involved please get in touch (our contact details are on the back page).



Since launching **Voi** on-site in March 2025, we have seen over 2,700 rides to and from Darwin Green from just one parking bay, it's fantastic to see lots of you using E-Bikes and E-Scooters to get around Cambridge! If you haven't already tried it, scan the QR code to download the app to get going!

You must have at least a provisional UK driving licence and 18+ to ride an E-Scooter in Cambridge.



Car Conscious

Sharing a journey with 1 other person could cut your costs and carbon by 50%, not to mention it saves the average person £1,000 per year! Scan the QR code or visit **Liftshare.com** to start car sharing with Liftshare, it's free and flexible, only share when it suits you.



Go electric! As of September 2025, there were over 86,000 charging points in the UK and growing fast. Find chargers and plan routes at **Zap-map.com**

Does your employer have an Electric Vehicle Salary Sacrifice scheme you could be utilising? Maybe you're worried about how to charge your vehicle or have range anxiety. Not to worry, find out how you could go electric by visiting octopusev.com/charging/home-charging



The average annual cost of car upkeep is now **£3,484**, including fuel, insurance, tax, repairs and servicing, MOT, parking fees and permits and depreciation value. Many modern households tend to have two or more vehicles, but we have brought Enterprise Car Club to Darwin Green to help reduce the number of multi-vehicle households. There are currently 2 car club vehicles on Falmouth Avenue. You can get 1-year free membership plus £50 driving credit by joining with the link below:

enterprisecarclub.co.uk/DARWIN50

T&Cs apply.



Parking

The below is taken from the official parking note issued February 2025, to provide residents with more context as to the parking situation at Darwin Green.

Background:

Darwin Green - Phase I, was given approval through the granting of the Outline Planning Permission by Cambridge City Council on the 18th of December 2013. [Reference 07/0003/OUT]. This planning permission holds conditions that Barratt Redrow as the Developer must comply with.

This includes an obligation, to provide an "Interim Parking Management Arrangement," which requires that:

"Prior to the occupation of any dwelling of any particular phase, details of Interim Parking Management Arrangements relating to that phase (prior to any formal adoption) for the Highway shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority".

Summary of Parking Requirement:

Darwin Green - Phase I, is designated as a "No 'On-Street' Parking Area." The only places available for the parking of motorised vehicles are:

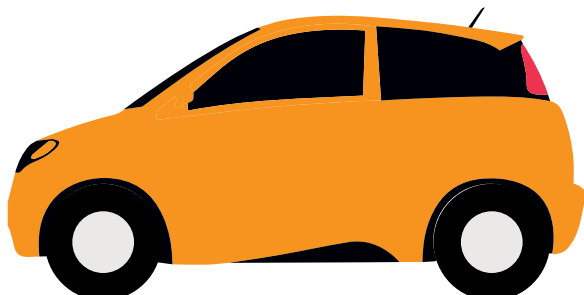
- Residential property driveways
- Private parking courts
- Visitor parking bays
- Disabled parking bays, which are only available for those with the appropriate blue badge.

Enforcement:

The parking of a motorised vehicle on the Highway, Footpaths or Cycleways is prohibited and those vehicles found to breach this requirement will be fined.

E-Parking Permits:

E-Parking Permits **are not available** for residents or visitors.



Travel Plan Perks

Has your household claimed a welcome voucher yet?

The first occupier of each household within Darwin Green is eligible to claim a £60 active travel voucher or 4-weeks' worth of bus travel with Stagecoach.

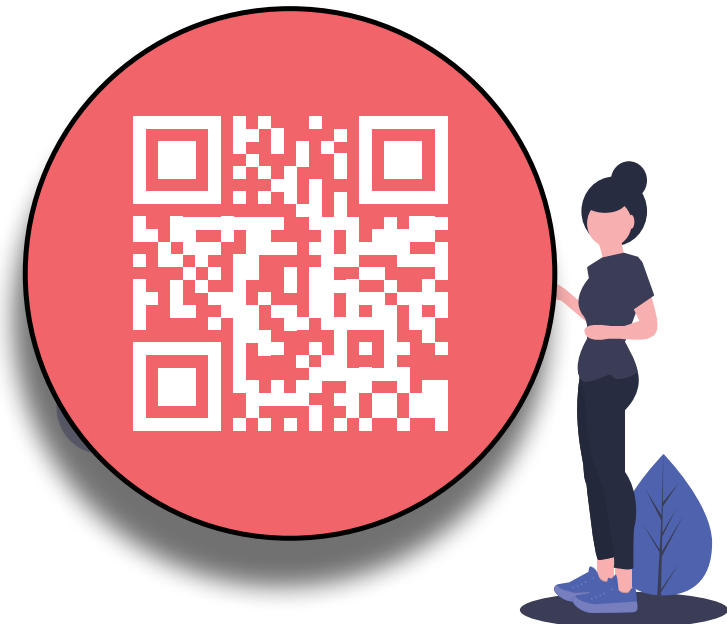
Only 20% of occupied households have claimed so far, we wouldn't want you to miss out!

Limited to one claim per household, first occupiers only. Proof of address is required to claim a voucher. Visit our website for full Terms and Conditions: smartertravel.uk.com/contact-us/terms-conditions-2

Personal Travel Plan (PTP)

Each member of your household can also claim a free PTP, created by your Travel Plan Coordinator, to help explore your sustainable travel options. The PTP offers information on viable travel modes for your journey including walking, cycling, public transport and car sharing, where appropriate.

Scan the QR code or visit darwingreentp.co.uk



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