

# CHITTS HILL 2024 TRAVEL NEWSLETTER







# How's it going?

On behalf of Hopkins Homes, Smarter Travel would like to thank everyone who participated in this years' Travel Survey, your feedback is greatly appreciated, helping us to understand your travel habits, wants and needs and how we might be able to help you travel more sustainably in future. Congratulations to our 3 prize winners! Look out for more prizes in the Spring 2025 survey.

We are pleased to say that the Chitts Hill Travel Plan is currently achieving the 6% target reduction in vehicular travel, thanks to you choosing to travel more sustainably.

We hope you find this newsletter useful, if you have any travel related questions please feel free to contact us, we're happy to help.

Your Travel Plan Coordinator, Smarter Travel Ltd









#### **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 and have fun with new challenges. Did you know 1 in 5 UK adults have Strava?



Your local cycle shop is a 10-min cycle from home, located at: **Cycle Revolution**, Halstead Rd, CO3 9AD. A basic service starts at £50. Call them on **01206 764545** to book.



Explore the local area on foot with **Ramblers.org.uk** and find local walking routes and group walking events near Chitts Hill.

Overgrown footpath? Cracks in the cyclepath? Report any issues to **highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** 

### **Public Transport**

Your nearest bus stops are King Coel Road North and South, located on Halstead Road (11-min walk) and London Road (14-min walk). Use First Bus service 88 and 71 for Colchester Town Centre and X20 Airlink or 320 services for Braintree. For tickets and timetable details visit **FirstBus.co.uk/Essex** 

Going further? Head to either Colchester Town, Colchester, or Marks Tey train stations, for connections to London, Ipswich, Norwich & more. Leave your bike at the station or take it with you on the train, go to **NationalRail.co.uk** to find out more.

**North East Essex Patient Transport Services** offer specialist transport for elderly people who need help getting to and from non-emergency health appointments. Call **03000 134995** to check your eligibility, lines are open every day between 8am-6pm.



## **Car Sharing & Going Electric**

Scan the QR code or visit **Liftshare.com** to sign up, it's free and flexible, only share when it suits you.



Sharing a journey with 1 other person could cut your costs and carbon by 50%, not to mention car sharing saves the average person £1,000 per year!





Did you know there are over 70,000 EV charging points in the UK? A 41% increase since September 2023! Find chargers and plan your route with **Zapmap.com**.

Does your company have an EV salary sacrifice scheme? Find out how you could benefit by visiting:

octopusev.com/ev-hub/guide-to-ev-salary-sacrifice

#### What's in it for you?

Smarter Travel Ltd, on behalf of Hopkins Homes, are offering each household\* within Chitts Hill the opportunity to claim **1 x 6-day bus tickets** with First Bus for local services.

\*First occupiers only. Visit **smartertravel.uk.com/contact-us/terms-conditions-2** for full Terms and Conditions.

All residents of Chitts Hill are eligible to claim a **Personal Travel Plan** (PTP), created by your Travel Plan Coordinator, to help you understand your sustainable travel options. Simply share your journey details with us by completing a short survey and we will do the rest.

Visit **SmarterTravel.uk.com/ChittsHill** or scan the QR code to learn more and claim what is yours today!

#### **BUS FARE SCHEME EXTENDED**

The bus fare cap scheme has been extended again, meaning you can get a single bus journey for just £2 or less until end of December 2024 and for £3 or less until the end of 2025. Don't miss out on potential savings!

#### **Contact Your Travel Plan Coordinator**



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