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GEOGRAPHY B – Component 3

RESOURCE FOLDER

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Park and Ride Cambridge

Large car park located on the outskirts of Cambridge near main transport routes

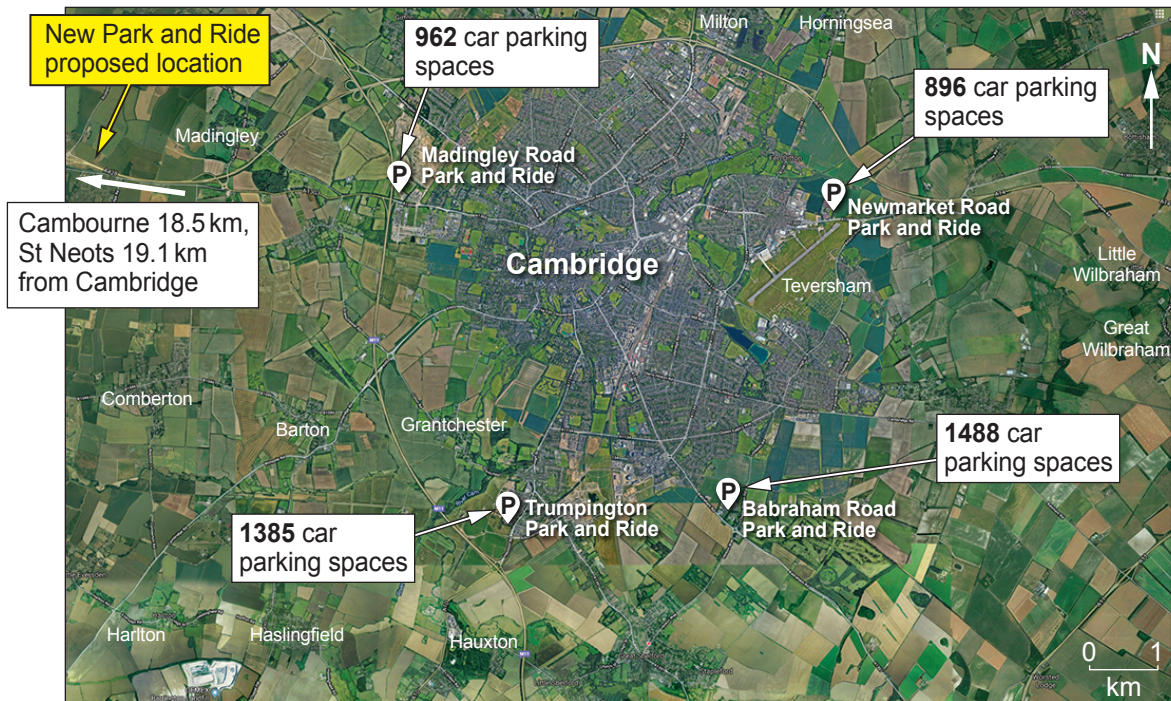
Commuters and tourists can park for free. Cyclists can store their bikes



Regular bus service to and from Cambridge throughout the day

Day passes and season tickets available for people to purchase

Map of Park and Ride locations in Cambridge



Do we have too many park and rides?

Park and ride schemes have been used as a method of reducing traffic in towns and cities. However, some people have argued that whilst they may remove some traffic from the urban area, reducing air pollution, they are having a devastating consequence on rural areas. The park and ride schemes involve large areas of greenfield sites being covered in concrete, impacting on ecosystems.

Green campaigners, who at first encouraged the use of park and ride schemes are now worried that too many are being built on the edge of cities.

The schemes have increased dramatically over the last 30 years and are particularly popular for historic cities which have limited opportunity for building bus lanes or trams.

Some of the largest schemes are in Oxford, Cambridge, Chester and York.

Extract of news article

Percentage of people in favour of Park and Ride schemes in the UK

**82%****6%**

(12% undecided)

The impact of growth without transport improvements



*Source: The South Cambridgeshire Local Plan and The Cambridge Local Plan

UK citizen's views on Park and Ride schemes

Local councillor: "Without the new Park and Ride in our city traffic is expected to double. The roads just won't cope."

Local person: "If we keep getting more Park and Ride schemes we will just have concrete parks around the city, that's just not attractive."

Environmentalist: "The costs to the countryside outweigh the benefits to air quality in the city. Once a greenfield site is developed it is lost for good."

Commuter: "Without Park and Ride I wouldn't be able to afford to get to work. The car parking is just so expensive in the city."

Local: "It would be better to improve existing bus services from our villages. This would be cheaper and less destructive to the countryside."