

## KING ALFRED'S ACADEMY – CYCLING PLAN

<p>Cycling Around Wantage and Grove - overview</p>	<p>Cycling to and from school is strongly encouraged by the Academy. As with any town there are areas that are better suited to cycling than others and so we have published our recommended cycle routes around Wantage. The Academy has consulted with local cycling groups (notably Cycling UK Wantage) to create this recommended network of routes.</p> <p>The main entrance and exit point to Centre Site is via Priory Road and the main entrance and exit point to West Site is via the entrance on the A417 Challow Road closest to Warmans Close.</p> <p>Within the General Cycling Routes section below we provide guidance on the best ways to cycle from all areas of Wantage and Grove to the vicinity of the two Academy sites.</p> <p>Within the Centre Site and West Site Cyclist Access sections below we then provide further advice on the recommended final routes to and from the Academy locations.</p> <p>Maps and photos are available as appendices to this document and also on the KAA Website.</p> <p><b>Cycling Safety:</b></p> <p>We take the safety of our cycling students extremely seriously. As a result, we have specifically recommended routes to and from the Academy and also avoided routes which are not suitable for cycling by King Alfred's students. <b>Portway, the double mini-roundabout between Ham Road and Denchworth Road and the 4-way traffic lights on the A338 are not suitable for cycling under any circumstance.</b></p> <p>We strongly recommend that all King Alfred's students wear a cycle helmet and also have adequate lights when it is dark outside. In a survey, 80% of King Alfred's parents supported the Academy making the wearing cycling helmets compulsory and so this is an area we will be investigating further with the KA Travel Working Group.</p>
<p>General Cycling Routes</p>	<p><b>Cycling towards Centre Site:</b></p> <p><b>From the east of Wantage, north of the A417 (eg: Charlton Heights and the new Crab Hill (Kingsgrove) estate),</b> students should ride through the Humber Brook estate and emerge from Garston Lane onto Charlton Road. They should then <b>carefully</b> cross the double roundabout onto Ormond Road.</p> <p><b>From the east of Wantage, south of the A417 (eg: Springfield Road, Larkdown),</b> students should ride past the old KA East site and take the track past the Scout Hut onto Icknield Lane which comes out on Ormond Road.</p> <p><b>From the northwest and north of Wantage (eg: Witan Way, Elizabeth Drive, Stockham area plus the new estates off the Denchworth Road),</b> students should ride to Adkin Way and the cycle track through the Willow Way/ Letcombe Brook Nature Reserve, cross the A338 at the pelican lights, go right and then left into Harcourt Way. Take the second right into Courtenay Road ride through the Humber Brook estate and emerge from Garston Lane onto Charlton Road. They should then <b>carefully</b> cross the double roundabout onto Ormond Road.</p> <p>NB: students in Stockham have the option to proceed towards West Site, then walk along the footpath to Naldertown.</p>

	<p><b>From the west of Wantage (eg: Naldertown, Hamfield),</b> students should ride down Locks Lane, carefully crossing the bridge by the ford.</p> <p><b>From all areas of Grove,</b> students should ride to the traffic lights at the south end of Main Street, cross the A338 with the dedicated traffic lights and then cycle along the separated cycle track alongside the A338 all the way to the end, then turn left into Harcourt Way. Take the second right into Courtenay Road ride through the Humber Brook estate and emerge from Garston Lane onto Charlton Road. They should then <b>carefully</b> cross the double roundabout onto Ormond Road.</p> <p><b>Cycling towards West Site:</b></p> <p><b>From the east of Wantage, north of the A417 (eg: Charlton Heights and the new Crab Hill (Kingsgrove) estate),</b> students should make their way to Harcourt Road down to the traffic lights with the A338. They should cross straight over at the lights, go right along the path and left into the Willow Way/Letcombe Brook Nature Reserve. The path comes out on Adkin Way – students should follow this onto Witan Way, go left at the end on the separated path alongside Denchworth Road and then right at the roundabout into St Mary’s Way. This leads to Stockham Way and Winchester Way which should be followed to the end.</p> <p><b>From the east of Wantage, south of the A417 (eg: Springfield Road, Larkdown),</b> students should ride past the old KA East site and take the track past the Scout Hut onto Ickniel Lane which comes out on Ormond Road. Then follow the detailed directions given below as if going to Centre Site, but go down Locks Lane, over the bridge by the ford, up to the junction with Ham Road and then straight over into Hamfield.</p> <p><b>From the north of Wantage (eg: Witan Way, Elizabeth Drive),</b> students should take the separated path alongside Denchworth Road and then right at the roundabout into St Mary’s Way. This leads to Stockham Way and Winchester Way which should be followed to the end.</p> <p><b>From the northwest of Wantage (eg: Stockham area plus the new estates off the Denchworth Road),</b> students should ride through the estates onto Stockham Way and Winchester Way which should be followed to the end.</p> <p><b>From the west of Wantage (eg: Naldertown, Hamfield),</b> students should follow the detailed directions given below.</p> <p><b>From all areas of Grove,</b> students should ride to the traffic lights at the south end of Main Street, cross the A338 with the dedicated traffic lights and then cycle along the separated cycle track alongside the A338 until you reach a pelican crossing. Cross at this crossing and ride into the Willow Way/Letcombe Brook Nature Reserve. The path comes out on Adkin Way – students should follow this onto Witan Way, go left at the end on the separated path alongside Denchworth Road and then right at the roundabout into St Mary’s Way. This leads to Stockham Way and Winchester Way which should be followed to the end.</p> <p><b>Please also see attached maps for approved routes.</b></p>
Cyclist Access to Centre Site	<p><b>Cycling to and from Centre Site:</b></p> <p>The recommended cycling routes are as follows:</p> <p><b>From the direction of Locks Lane/ Priory Road</b> students need to dismount their bikes at the junction of Locks Lane and Priory Road and walk their bikes into Centre Site on the right-hand side of the traffic ramp. If Sixth Form</p>

	<p>students are using this route they must walk their bikes through Centre Site and not use Priory Road to get to Portway.</p> <p><b>From the direction of Newbury Street</b> students need to dismount at the pelican crossing towards The Royal Oak Inn and then take Church Street, Priory Road and then dismount at the junction with Locks Lane and walk their bikes into Centre Site on the right-hand side of the traffic ramp. If Sixth Form students are using this route they must walk their bikes through Centre Site and not use Priory Road to get to Portway.</p> <p><b>From the direction of Newbury Street via Portway</b> students need to dismount at the pelican crossing and walk their bikes along past The Beacon showing courtesy to all pedestrians, and into Centre Site to the bike sheds.</p> <p><b>From the direction of Ormond Road</b> students need to cycle on Ormond Road then turn right into Eagles Close (path next to the Fire Station) then left towards Umami Deli. Students need to take care crossing the road to Church Street and cycle along Priory Road and then dismount at the junction with Locks Lane and walk their bikes into Centre Site on the right-hand side of the traffic ramp. If Sixth Form students are using this route they must walk their bikes through Centre Site and not use Priory Road to get to Portway.</p> <p><b>From whichever direction the cyclist enters Portway they must dismount on arrival at the 4-way traffic lights.</b></p> <p><b>Leaving Centre Site via Priory Road</b> It must be noted that Priory Road is a one-way route and as such, students must follow the following alternatives.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Walk bikes along Priory Road, giving way to pedestrians</li> <li>2. If students are heading West: use Locks Lane and cycle over the ford bridge.</li> <li>3. If students are heading North or East: Students could walk their bikes to along Portway and through The Beacon car park</li> </ol> <p><b>Storage of Bikes on Centre Site:</b> 6<sup>th</sup> Form students (and any student in Year 9-11 using a motorised scooter) need to lock their bike in the bike shed on Portway. This bike shed will be locked during the day from 9am to 3pm. Year 9 to 11 students need to lock their bikes in the bike shed in the Quad area (behind the main building). This bike shed will be locked during the day from 9am to 3pm. If students need to access their bikes during the day, then they can lock their bikes in the bike shed in Centre Car Park.</p> <p><b>Please also see attached maps for approved routes.</b></p>
Cyclist Access to West Site	<p><b>Cycling to and from West Site:</b> The recommended cycling routes are as follows: <b>From the direction of East Challow</b> is to cycle along the Challow Road up to the pelican crossing, then dismount and walk the bikes to the bike sheds. <b>From the direction of Stockham</b> students need to cycle along the county council cycle route to West Site along the dual-use pavement up to the pelican crossing, then dismount and walk the bikes to the bike sheds. <b>Alternative route from the direction of Stockham</b> student may use the footpath which links Segsbury Road to Challow Road but they must walk their</p>

bikes along the footpath and then cycle up to the pelican crossing, then dismount and walk the bikes to the bike sheds.

**From the direction of Naldertown and Hamfield** students cycling from this direction need to dismount at the beginning of the footpath which links Naldertown to Challow Road and walk their bikes along the footpath, taking care whilst crossing Warmans Close, and walking onto West Site to the bike sheds.

**Storage of Bikes on West Site:**

Year 7 and 8 students need to lock their bike in the bike shed behind the kitchens on West Site.

To access this bike shed the students will need to **walk** their bikes through West Site (behind the Main Building) being very careful of pedestrians.

**Please also see maps for approved routes on school website.**