



# Somerset House, 18 Canynge Road, Bristol

## Travel Plan Welcome Pack

Your travel options. Your sustainable community.





## CONGRATULATIONS ON MOVING INTO YOUR NEW COMMUNITY!



**Welcome to your new home. We hope that you will settle in quickly and soon feel at home in your new surroundings.**

Your new property is part of a new sustainable community.

We have worked hard to design your local area in a way that encourages the creation of a strong sense of community and that will allow you to make your own contribution to reducing climate change (and saving money) by making use of the excellent non-car travel options that exist on your doorstep.

We want you to know about your travel options and the various benefits that changing your daily travel choices, even just for one day a week, can have on your local environment and community. We have therefore prepared this document to introduce you to the various options available, and to show just how easy it is to make a contribution to your sustainable community.

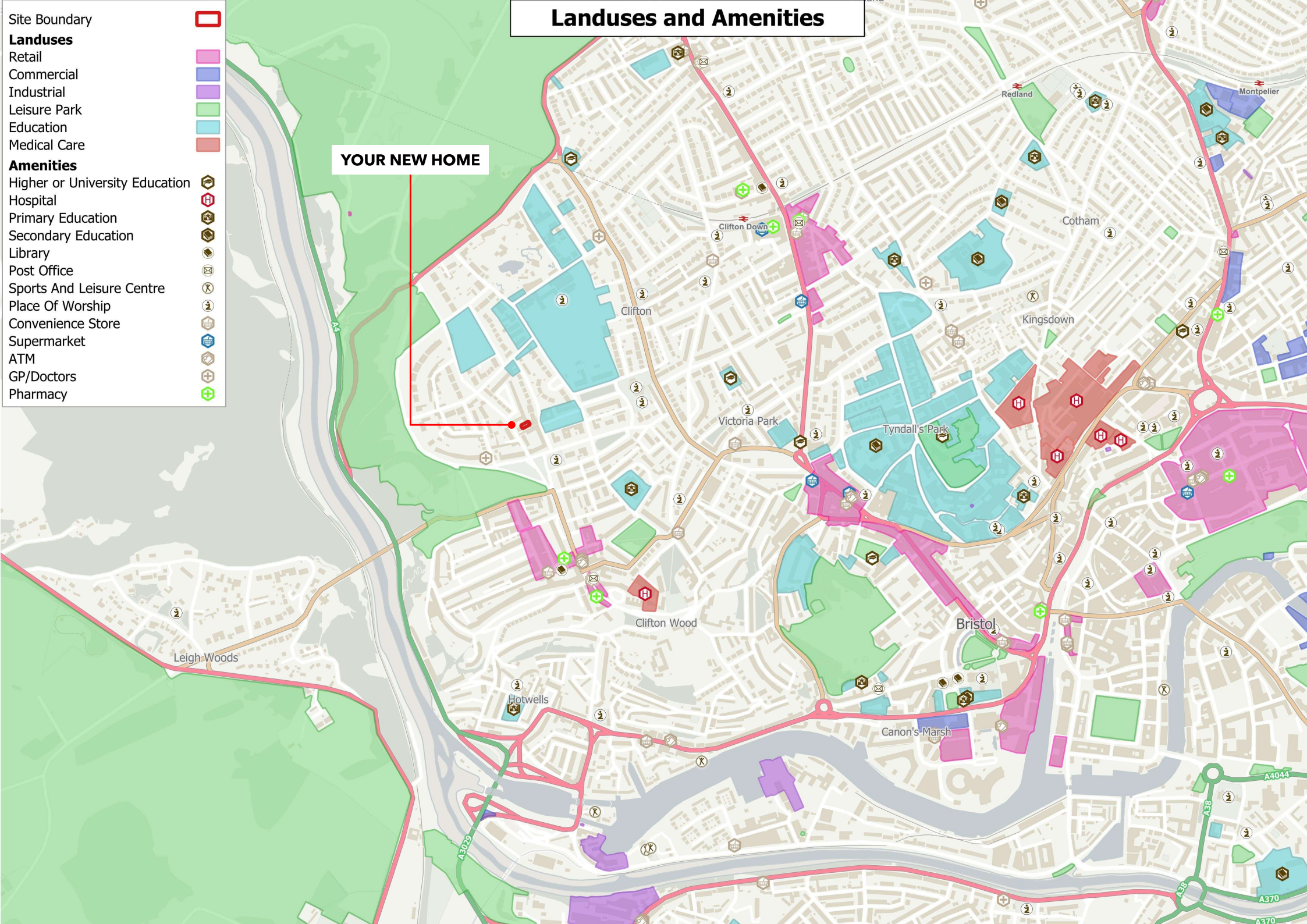
To help you, we have made available a dedicated Travel Co-ordinator who can assist with any queries you may have. 

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# 1. Welcome



**Welcome to your new home at Somerset House, Bristol. We do hope that you are able to settle in quickly and that you are able to familiarise yourself with your new surroundings.**

Your new property is part of a sustainable community and is located approximately 400-metres north of Clifton Village and 1.2-kilometres northwest of The Triangle. At Clifton Village, you can visit the various independent cafes, restaurants and retail shops, whilst at the Triangle you can visit various pubs, bars and nightclubs!

The local post office, pharmacy and surgery are also located within walking distance from your new property.

To access the local public transport, the nearest bus stops are the Christ Church Northbound and Southbound bus stop, located a few minutes away from your new property. The closest railway station is Clifton Downs, which is an approximate 20-minute walk. From Clifton Downs, you are able to travel to Bristol Temple Meads for onward destinations.

Your Welcome Pack can also be accessed using the Somerset House bespoke webpage found below, or get in contact with us and we will be happy to send over a pdf version.

<https://www.mymodechoice.com/>



## 2. Walking

One of the easiest and cheapest ways to travel is to walk, particularly if your destination is within 2-kilometres of Somerset House in Bristol. Walking is also a versatile mode of travel – there's no waiting around, no congestion and it's free!

Walking has other benefits too. It not only makes you feel good but provides genuine health benefits: for adults, just 30 minutes of walking, five times a week, dramatically cuts the risk of developing heart disease, diabetes and obesity.

The need to walk more is promoted by the NHS via their 10,000 steps a day challenge. The aim is to improve the nation's health and to change our increasingly sedentary lifestyles. The NHS say:

**// research shows that walking 10,000 steps a day (8-kilometres) will significantly improve your health. Outing one foot in front of the other can build stamina, burn excess calories and give you a healthier heart. //**

Walking more, whether it is for work or leisure, is an easy way of being more active without trying too hard and is a great way to spend more time with your family.

Setting yourself a target of walking 10,000 steps a day can be a fun way of increasing the amount of physical activity you do.

### Help to Plan Your Journey

There are a number of online journey planners and smartphone apps available to help you plan your walking trip. Google Maps is a particularly useful resource, freely available on all platforms. These mapping tools will provide you with a route map between any two points, providing detailed turn-by-turn directions tailored for pedestrian journeys.



There are also a number of free smartphone apps that will help you to monitor your walk and calorie consumption through the use of GPS tracking. Why not try the MapMyWalk app or the NHS Active 10 App to see how far you walk each month or even challenge other members of your family or community by setting up a group.

Bristol also has its own Go Jauntly app, which helps you discover over 60 digital trails around Bristol, for all ages, abilities and interests.

## 2. Walking

### What Facilities are Within Walking Distance?

Walking to Clifton Village will take around 5 minutes at an average pace, whilst walking to The Triangle will take 15 minutes and Clifton Downs retail area will take 20 minutes. If you're more active, Bristol city centre is an approximate 35 minutes' walk from your new property. All of these destinations have a wide range of shops and amenities to suit your needs.

There are also various walking routes around the area as identified by TravelWest, notably walking 'Clifton Square', 'Bristol City Map' and 'Sculpture Trail'. Further detail on these routes can be found using the website below.



<https://travelwest.info/walk/bristol-walking-route-maps/>

Clifton High School is also located east of the site, whilst Christ Church C of E Primary School can be reached on foot within 7 minutes.

To help you to familiarise yourself with the local services and facilities within an easy walk of your new home, we have provided you with a local area walking map on the adjacent page.

Some useful numbers and address are provided opposite.

### Useful Contacts

#### Clifton High School

College Road, Clifton, BS8 3JD

**0117 973 0201**

#### Christ Church C of E Primary School

Royal Park, Clifton, BS8 3AW

**0117 377 2830**

#### Clifton Village Post Office

22 Regent Street, Clifton, BS8 4HG

**0117 973 8510**

#### Litfield House Medical Centre

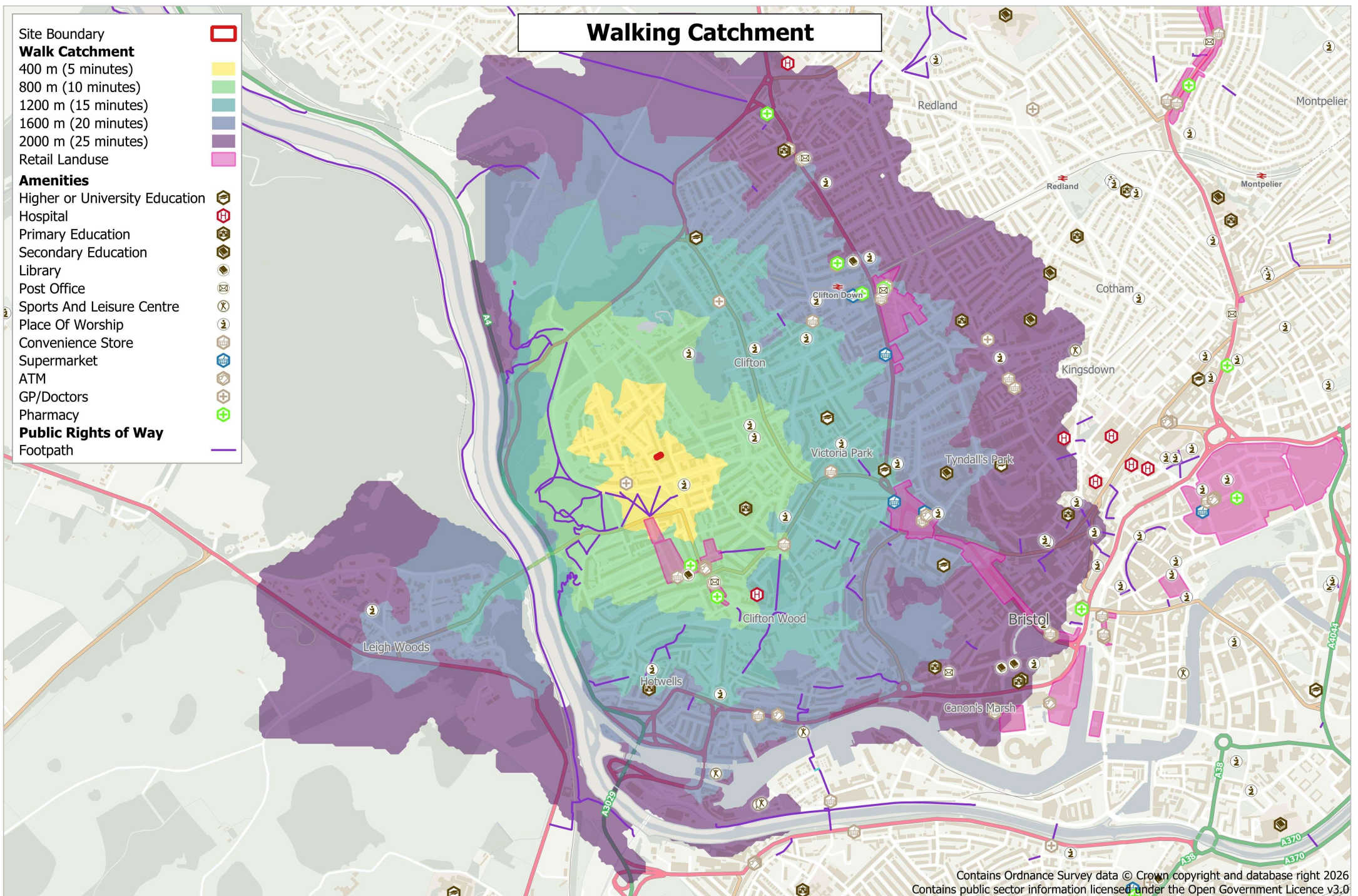
Litfield Place, Clifton, BS8 3LS

**0117 973 1323**

#### Clifton Dental Studio

92 Queens Road, Clifton, BS8 1RT

**0117 973 1910**





## 3. Cycling

Cycling is fast, convenient, healthy and cost-effective, and is a realistic way to travel from your new home, especially if your destination lies within 5-kilometres. Of course, cycling can still be a viable option for longer journeys, particularly for experienced cyclists who may choose to incorporate their cycle journey as part of their daily fitness routine.

### How to Plan Your Journey

There are a number of online journey planners and smartphone apps available to help you plan and evaluate your journey by bike. Google maps is particularly helpful application, freely available on all platforms. These tools will provide you with a route map between two points and provide you with turn-by-turn directions, tailored for cycle journeys.

Other free smartphone apps allow you to keep track of your cycle journeys and help you to stay motivated. Apps such as Strava, Komoot and Love to Ride can track your journeys by GPS and provide you with useful stats and goals.



It is also worth checking out Better by Bike, a Bristol based company that provides the resources to help you cycle more, you can also download their app for more information!

If you require any help with your cycling journeys, get in touch with the email below!

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### Find out about the Cycle to Work Scheme

If you are a working full or even part time, why not ask your employer if they are part of the Government's Cycle-to-Work initiative, which would allow you to make savings of up to 40% off a brand-new bike and safety accessories costing up to £1,000.

To find out more information about the scheme, visit the webpage by BetterByBike, or use the QR code below.



## 3. Cycling

Cycling from your new home gives you the potential to access jobs, shops, homes and leisure activities in a sustainably conscious way. The roads in and around Clifton and wider Bristol can be quite hilly - but don't worry there are various designated cycle routes to help you cycle carefully around the city! The National Cycle Network Route 4 is an approximate 5 minute cycle east of the site, whilst the National Cycle Network Route 33 is an approximate 8 minute cycle south of the site, which provides connectivity through Bristol for onward destinations!

Within 5-kilometres (3.1-miles) of your new home (roughly 16-minutes at an average pace), you could get to Westbury on Trym to the north, upper Easton to the east, Bedminster to the south and Abbots Leight to the west.

To help you, we have shown the 5-kilometre cycle catchment on the adjacent page.

### Useful Contacts

#### **Clifton Cycleworks**

2 Princess Victoria Street, Clifton, BS8 4BP

**0117 235 6781**

#### **Trek Bicycle Bristol**

Embassy House, Queen's Avenue, BS8 1SB

**0117 457 8624**

#### **BW Cycling**

Units 1-2, Brunel Lock Development - Smeaton Road - BS1 6SE

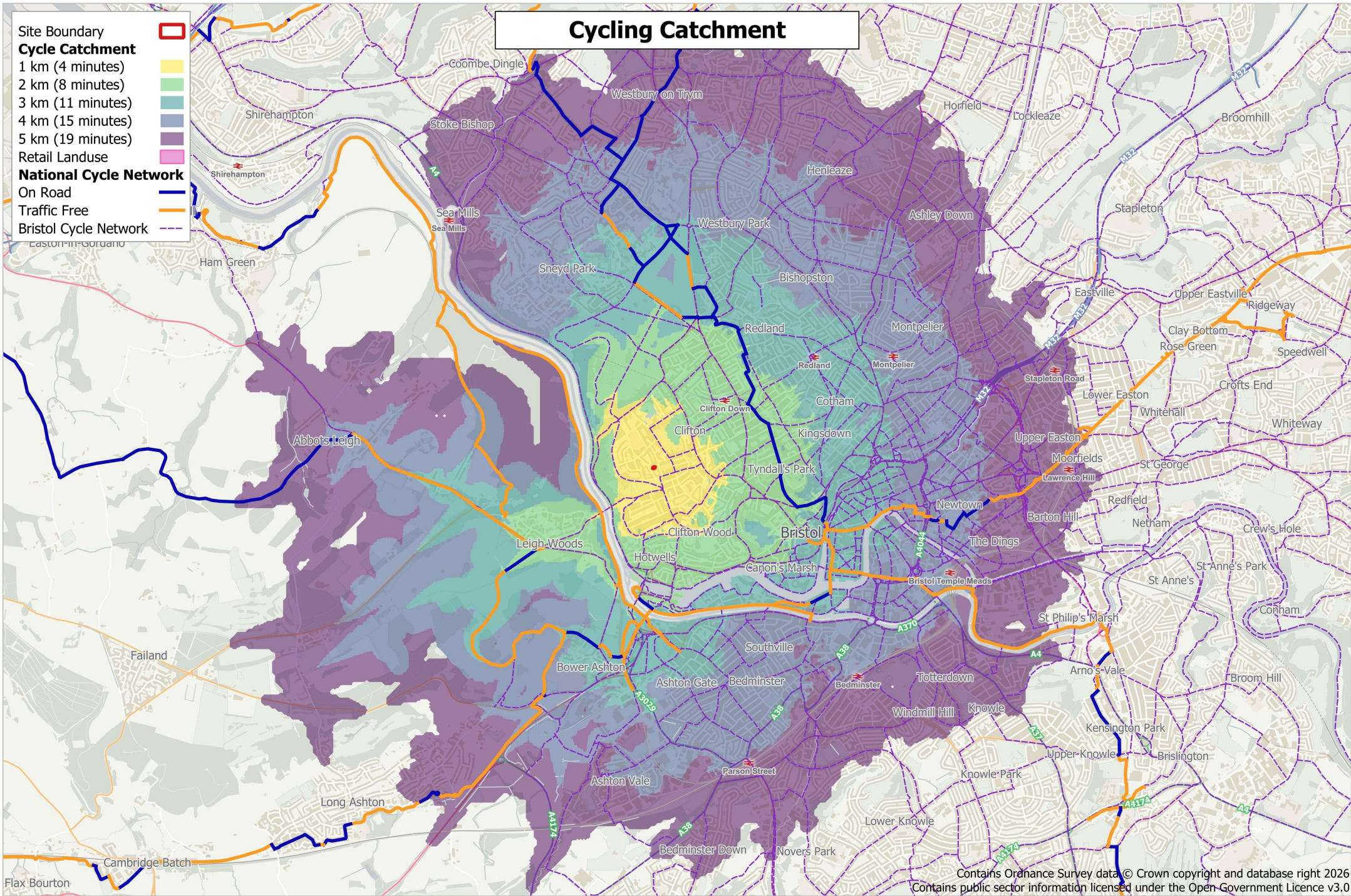
**0117 927 2947**

#### **Halfords**

Unit A, South, Retail Park Winterstoke Road, BS3 2LQ

#### **Walk Wheel Cycle Trust**

[www.walkwheelcycletrust.org.uk](http://www.walkwheelcycletrust.org.uk)



- Site Boundary
- Cycle Catchment
  - 1 km (4 minutes)
  - 2 km (8 minutes)
  - 3 km (11 minutes)
  - 4 km (15 minutes)
  - 5 km (19 minutes)
- Retail Landuse
- National Cycle Network
- On Road
- Traffic Free
- Bristol Cycle Network

Cycling Catchment

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## 4. Bus Services

You can access the Christ Church Clifton northbound and southbound stop approximately 2 minutes from your new property. Travelling southbound, you can use the bus service 5, 8, 77 and 505 which takes you to Temple Meads Railway Station, St Anne's, Long Ashton Park & Ride and Muller Road Top. Travelling northbound, you can use the 505 bus service which takes you to Southmead Hospital. The table on the right shows the bus timetable for the Christ Church bus stop.

Additional bus stops are located in Clifton Village, Clifton Park and Victoria Square approximately 10-minutes from your site.

Your local bus service is First bus, which you can visit their website below to find out more or download their app.

**Firstbus**

<https://www.firstbus.co.uk/>



You can also use other useful bus service, which you can again visit their website below or download their app.

**TravelWest**

<https://travelwest.info/>



**Next Buses**

<https://www.nextbuses.mobi/>



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| Service                | Route                                                                                                  | Weekday |              |        | Saturday     | Sunday       |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------------|
|                        |                                                                                                        | Start   | Freq. (mins) | Finish | Freq. (mins) | Freq. (mins) |
| Christ Church Bus Stop |                                                                                                        |         |              |        |              |              |
| 5                      | Stoke Bishop, Transport Hub – St Anne’s, Chapel Way (Southbound)                                       | 05:38   | 30           | 22:11  | 30           | 40           |
| 8                      | Bristol Temple Meads Station – Bristol City Centre – Clifton Village – Clifton Downs (Southbound Loop) | 05:32   | 20           | 00:32  | 15           | 15           |
| 77                     | Stoke Bishop, Transport Hub – Horfield Common, Muller Road Top (Southbound)                            | 05:36   | 30           | 04:11  | 30           | 45           |
| 505                    | Long Ashton P&R - Southmead Hospital (Westbound)                                                       | 06:00   | 30           | 22:51  | 30           | 60           |
|                        | Southmead Hospital -Long Ashton P&R (Southbound)                                                       | 06:46   | 30           | 22:27  | 30           | 60           |



## 5. Rail Services

Your new home is accessible within a 20 minute walk to Clifton Down Railway Station.

At Clifton Down Railway Station, you can take a 20-minute train ride to Bristol Temple Meads for onward such as Portsmouth, Swindon, Reading and London. Travelling north, Clifton Down provides services to Severn Beach and Avonmouth. Clifton down also has step-free access and cycle parking.

You can also travel to Bristol Temple Meads from your home within a 35-minute bus using bus service 8 from the Christ Church southbound bus stop.

### Useful Contacts

#### Clifton Down Railway Station

[www.nationalrail.co.uk/stations/clifton-down/](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/stations/clifton-down/)

#### Great Western Railway

[www.gwr.com/](http://www.gwr.com/)

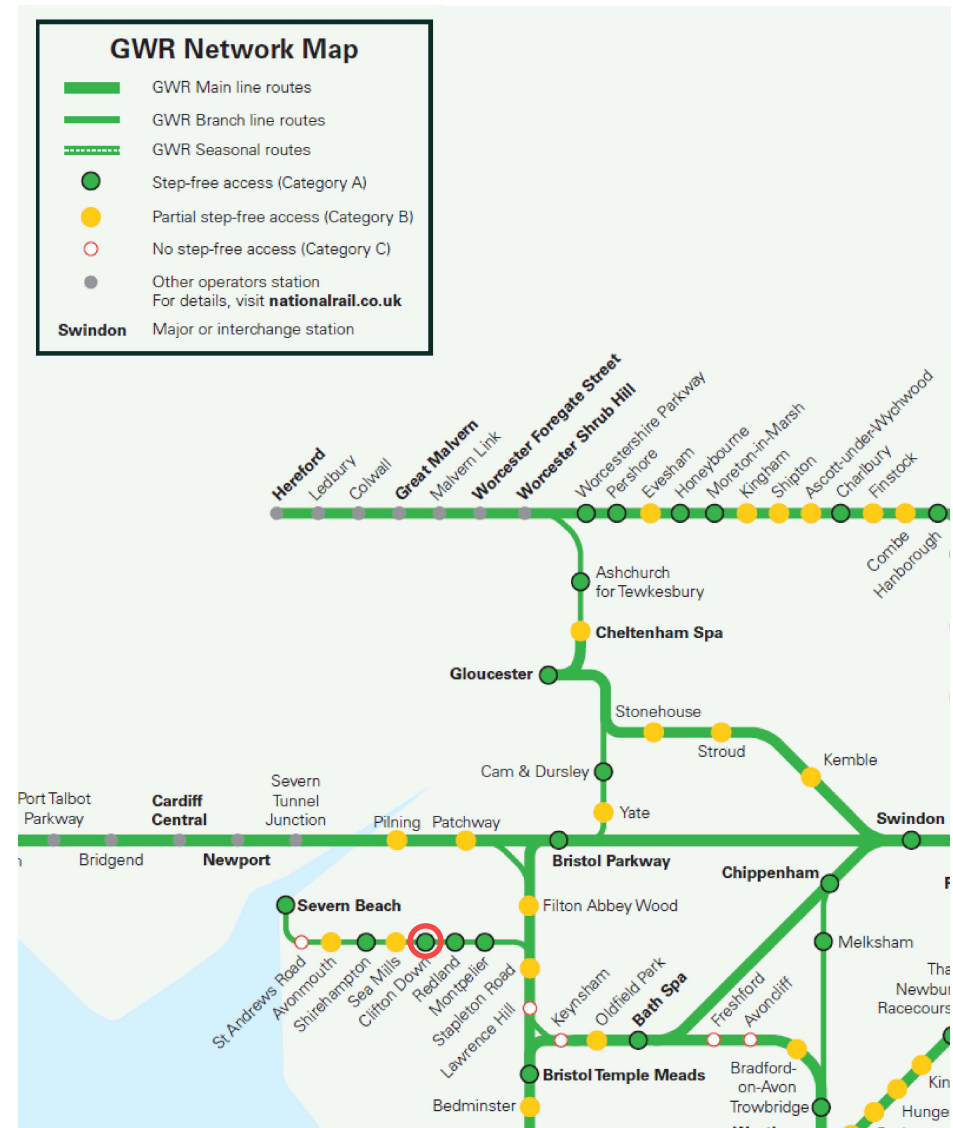


#### The Train Line

[www.thetrainline.com](http://www.thetrainline.com)



You can also download the Great Western Railway or Trainline App for more information!





## 6. Car Sharing

Car Clubs are short-term car rental services that allow members to access locally parked cars and pay by the minute, hour or day. The main advantages are as follows:

-  Reduce car ownership and increase the use of sustainable travelling
-  Cheaper than owning a private car as you pay as you use
-  Environmental benefits – supports net zero ambitions
-  Ability to use electric and hybrid vehicles with zero emissions

Within Bristol, you can register for free with companies such as TravelWest or Co Wheels.

The registration process is quick and easy, and you only need to apply online and upload your driving documents then use the online app to choose the type of trip and the vehicle you need. Once you are finished, return the vehicle in an approved location.

If you are driving, there are 7 useful eco-driving tips that can really make a difference:

-  Service your car regularly to maintain engine efficiency.
-  Check your tyre pressures regularly (and before long journeys) as under inflated tyres increase rolling resistance and use more fuel.
-  Don't carry any unnecessary baggage as extra weight means extra fuel.
-  Combine your trips. Fuel efficiency is poorest when the engine is cold so combine your errands into one trip.
-  Drive smoothly, accelerate gently and look ahead to avoid unnecessary braking.
-  Cut down on the air-con, which increases fuel consumption at low speeds.
-  Stick to the speed limits. The faster you go the greater the fuel consumption (cruising at 80mph can use up to 25% more fuel than travelling at 70mph).

For more advice on Car Clubs and eco driving visit:

TravelWest Car Clubs

<https://travelwest.info/driving/car-clubs/>

Co Wheels

<https://www.co-wheels.org.uk/bristol>

Enterprise Car Club

<https://www.enterprisecarclub.co.uk/gb/en/home.html>

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For further information and advice regarding travel opportunities from your new home, please contact your Travel Plan Coordinator: [hello@mymodechoice.com](mailto:hello@mymodechoice.com)

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