

New Home, New Start, New Ways to Travel

Travel Information for Stanton Chase





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Introduction

This Travel Information Pack contains useful information about your travel options in and around Stanton Chase.

Getting involved with your Travel Plan has plenty of positive benefits for you including:

- ✓ Improving your fitness, health and wellbeing
- ✓ Reducing your travel costs
- ✓ Reducing your travel times
- ✓ Improving your accessibility to local services
- ✓ Making the community safer
- ✓ Improving your travel choices
- ✓ Creating a cleaner, more vibrant local community



About this Travel Information Pack

*Dear Stanton Chase Resident,
Welcome to your new home!*

We hope that you are settling in and getting to know your local area. This leaflet provides you with useful information regarding travelling in and around Swindon and forms part of a Travel Plan for Stanton Chase which aims to help residents travel in greener, healthier ways and reduce journeys by car.

The Swindon Travel Choices website: <https://www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/newdevelopments/stanton-chase/> includes further travel information relating to the area and also provides up-to date news and events.

As you'll discover, there are some brilliant offers from your housebuilder, such as free bus and rail taster tickets and the chance to borrow a bike for up to 6 weeks for free.

*If you have any questions, or for more details, feel free to email:
swindontravelchoices@swindon.gov.uk*

*Kind regards,
Swindon Travel Choices Team*

Walking

One of the easiest and cheapest ways to travel is to walk, particularly if your destination is within 2-kilometres of your new home. Walking is also a versatile mode of travel -there's no waiting around, no congestion and its free!

Research shows that walking 10,000 steps a day will significantly improve your health. Putting one foot in front of the other can build stamina, burn excess calories and give you a healthier heart.

Stanton Chase benefits from good quality, direct and well-lit footways throughout the development. These routes connect to existing paths which provide access to the local area.

The local area has a range of services, facilities and amenities that can be walked to. There are also plenty of pleasant green spaces, such as Stanton Park and Stratton Woods to explore on foot.

Check out the "Get Walking" magazine in this pack that has route maps around the area.

Useful websites

- www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/walking/
- <https://beta.ramblers.org.uk/go-walking/wellbeing-walks>
- www.wiltsswindonramblers.org.uk/

Useful walking apps

- MapmyWalk
- NHS Active 10 Walking Tracker
- Pedometer
- OS Maps
- Wiltshire Walks (Free to download but subscription required)



YOUR LOCAL AREA










A St Leonards Church, Stanton Fitzwarren

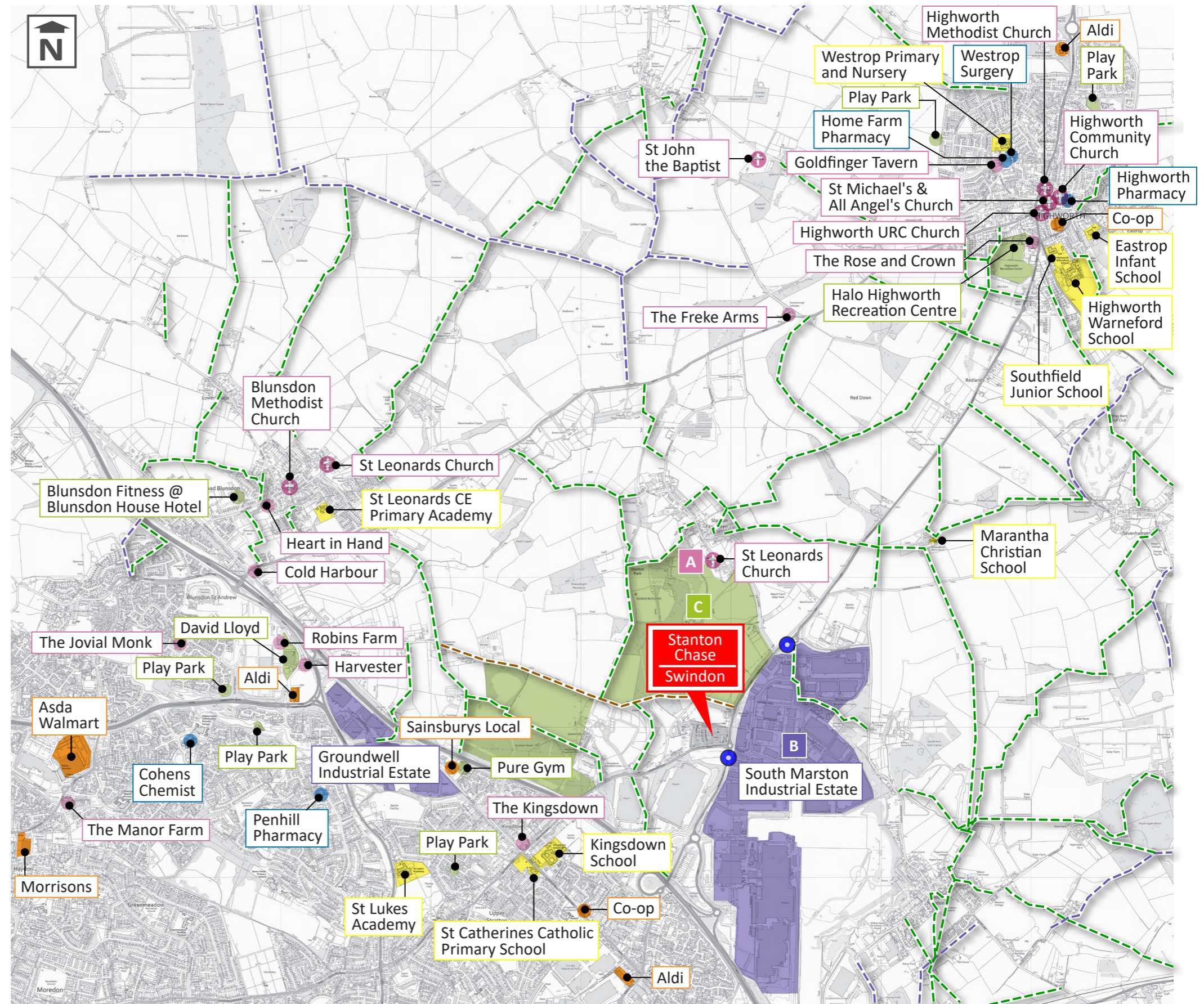


B South Marston Industrial Estate



C Artwork at Stanton Park

	Employment		Bus stop
	School		Footpath
	Leisure		Bridleway
	Medical		Restricted byway
	Supermarket	0  1km	
	Community		



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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 - a 20 minute pedal.

All of the services, facilities and amenities around this new development are available within a 20 minute cycle ride from the site. Swindon town centre is within a 30 minute cycle ride which provides a wider range of services, facilities and amenities including a number of employment opportunities. See the separate "Swindon Cycle Map" in this pack.

Benefits of Cycling

- ✓ Improving wellbeing by relieving stress, improving fitness and burning calories
- ✓ Helps prevent chronic and life threatening illnesses
- ✓ Maintaining a bike for a year costs twenty times less than maintaining and driving a car
- ✓ Reducing congestion and pollution on our roads

Useful websites

- www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/cycling/
- www.swindoncyclecampaign.org
- www.letsride.co.uk

Bike shops in Swindon

E-motion (electric bikes)

373, Cricklade Road, SN2 1AQ

<http://e-motionevc.co.uk>

01793 251200

Mitchell Cycles

27, Shrivenham Rd, Swindon, Wiltshire SN1 2QA

www.mitchellcycles.co.uk

01793 523306

Swindon Cycles Superstore

60a, Beechcroft Rd, Upper Stratton, Swindon, Wiltshire SN2 7QD

www.swindoncycles.co.uk

01793 700105

Recycles (refurbished bikes)

1 Spring Close, Swindon, Wiltshire SN1 2BF

www.recycles-swindon.co.uk

01793 401834

99 Bikes (Formerly Hargroves Cycles)

Paddington Dr, Swindon SN5 7SB

<https://www.99bikes.co.uk/store-locations/swindon/>

01793 528208

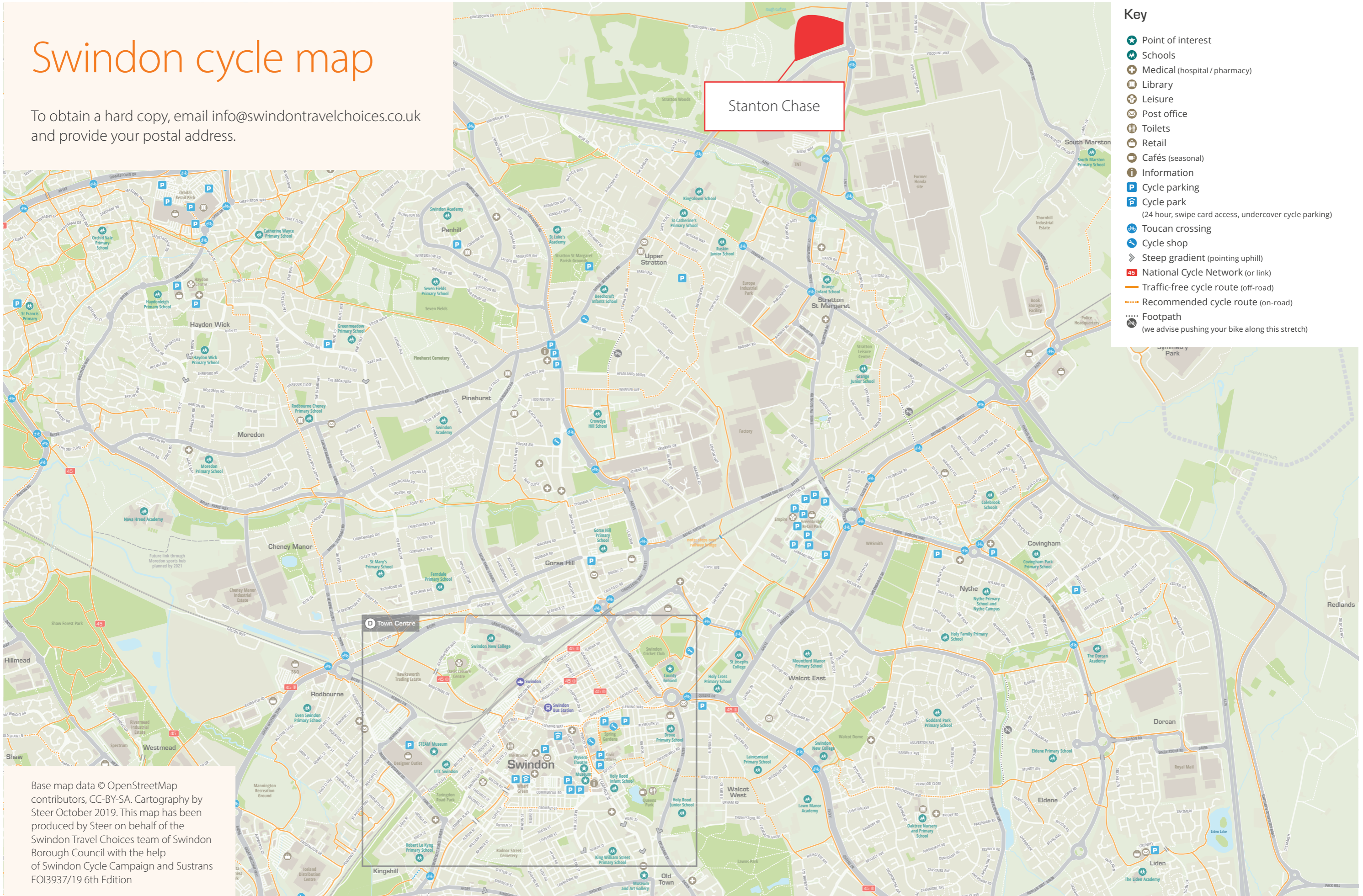
Useful cycling apps

- Strava
- MapmyRide
- CycleStreets journey planner



Swindon cycle map

To obtain a hard copy, email info@swindontravelchoices.co.uk and provide your postal address.



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Public Transport

You can access bus stops within a short walk of your new home. The closest bus stop is on Stirling Road on South Marston Industrial Estate, which is around 5 minutes' walk. From here, the number 7 service runs into Swindon Town Centre and to Highworth.

As a guide we have provided a summary below of the available bus services and their typical frequencies.

Service	Route	Frequency	Operator
7	Swindon Town Centre - Greenbridge Retail Park - South Marston Industrial Estate (for Stanton Chase) - Highworth Town Centre	Every 15 minutes (Mon - Fri) Every 20 minutes (Sat) Every 30 minutes (Sundays)	Stagecoach



Rail

Swindon's railway station is connected to London Paddington, Reading, Chippenham, Bath, Bristol, Cheltenham and Gloucester. The TransWilts line has connections to Melksham, Trowbridge, Westbury and beyond. Whether it's for commuting or a day out, Swindon really is well connected!

Rail times and tickets can be obtained from Great Western Railway <https://www.gwr.com/> If you are travelling with a group of friends (3 to 9 adults), book together and save up to a third on the rail fare with Groupsave.

Passenger Assist

If you have a disability, non-visible disability, or are elderly, you can pre-book journey assistance. This can be booked online through GWR or by calling **0800 197 1329**.

Try for free!

We're giving residents of Stanton Chase the opportunity to get out and about on the train with a voucher for £20. Simply complete the form at <https://www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/newdevelopments/stanton-chase> to apply.

Useful websites

- www.traveline.info/
- www.stagecoachbus.com
- www.swindonbus.co.uk
- www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/plan-a-journey
- Gwr.com

Useful public transport apps

- Stagecoach Bus App (Plan journeys, track buses, buy tickets)
- Clickit2ride (Swindon's Bus Company tickets)
- Bus checker (Find bus stops and track buses)
- GWR (Plan journeys, buy digital tickets)



Taxi

Taxis can form an important part of sustainable journeys.

Many taxis are hybrids or 'green' vehicles, which help to reduce the impact of car journeys on the environment. Utilising taxis could save you money and help to reduce your carbon footprint.

There are a number of private hire taxi operators local to the area, through which taxis can be pre-booked.

Taxi companies in Swindon

Company	Telephone	App Available
Veezu (V cars)	01793 701701	✓
Cross Street Cars	01793 232323	✓
Connect Cabs	01793 238444	
1st Call Swindon taxis	01793 205121	
Safe Taxis Swindon	01793 979277	
A1 Swindon Taxis	01793 251251	
The virtual taxi	01793 297201	
121 Swindon taxis	01793 988862	



Car sharing

Car Sharing is when two or more people travel together in the same car. Many of us already car share informally, but if you regularly make long trips in the car alone (to work, for example) it may make more sense to get another person (or two or three) in your car and help share your petrol costs.

There are many benefits to car sharing;

- ✓ Opportunity to socialise
- ✓ Reduced fuel costs
- ✓ Less wear and tear on your car
- ✓ Useful for people with mobility difficulties (door to door travel)
- ✓ Time to relax without driving stress
- ✓ Provides a solution for travelling to and from areas not served by bus
- ✓ Reduces the number of cars on the roads, resulting in less congestion, less pollution and fewer parking problems

Car Share Swindon

Over 2500 people who live or work in Swindon have registered with www.carshareswindon.com. This is an online database that matches people together based on the routes and times that people travel. It's free and easy to register and chances are, you'll find someone going your way. Even if you only share once a week, you're helping to save money.



Electric vehicles

With a rapidly expanding network of public charging points available across the region, there has never been a better time to make the switch to electric vehicles. There are discounts available to buy all types of electric and plug-in hybrid cars, vans and make the switch to electric vehicles. There are discounts available to buy all types of electric and plug-in hybrid cars, vans and motorcycles.

Homes will be wired to enable you to install a home charge point if you have a driveway and communal points will be available for visitor spaces and apartments. Going forward, more electric charging points will be installed on street, at supermarkets and public car parks around Swindon.

To check out other public charging points and the wider network, plus help with selecting the right car and calculating your cost savings, visit: <http://www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/electric-vehicles/>

We have also included a short guide in your pack.



Shopping

With online shopping you can do your shop from the comfort of your own home and have it delivered at a time to suit you from as little as a £1 delivery charge. Or you can collect from the store when you're out and about anyway, so no need for a specific shopping trip.

The supermarket websites now allow you to save favourites, so putting your weekly shop into the virtual basket is just a few clicks!

Benefits

- ✓ Save time, someone else is picking your items from the shelves
- ✓ Reduce stress, no trolley wars with other shoppers
- ✓ The groceries are dropped at your door

Useful websites

- Sainsburys www.sainsburys.co.uk/shop/gb/groceries
- Morrisons <https://groceries.morrisons.com/>
- Tesco www.tesco.com/groceries/
- Asda <https://groceries.asda.com/>
- Waitrose www.waitrose.com/ecom/shop/browse/groceries
- Ocado www.ocado.com/webshop/startWebshop.do

Local contacts

Government

Stratton St Margaret Parish Council
<https://strattonstmargaret.gov.uk/>

Swindon Borough Council
www.swindon.gov.uk

MP for North Swindon
Justin Tomlinson
<https://www.robertbuckland.co.uk/>

Places of Worship

St Leonards Church - Stanton
<https://www.stantonchurch.info/>

Health

Great Western Hospital
www.gwh.nhs.uk
01793 604020

Exercise Opportunities

Swindon Shin splints - Free running group
<https://gouldings.wixsite.com/swindonshin-splints>

Parkrun - Weekly 5km routes -
Lydiard Park and Sevenfields
<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/lydiard/>
<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/sevenfields/>

Let's Ride - Programme of free guided
rides in Swindon
<https://letsride.co.uk/>

Discover a range of other health and
wellbeing services in Swindon at
<https://localoffer.swindon.gov.uk/>

Wiltshire and Swindon Sport: Club Finder
<https://www.wiltssport.org/activity-finder>

Stay up-to-date with the latest news

To help you plan your journeys, sign up to the Highways News e-newsletter. Sent every three weeks, this newsletter covers the latest roadworks taking place across the town, updates on key upgrade projects and details of upcoming events.

Sign up by scanning the QR code:



You can also sign up to the weekly **'Your Swindon'** e-newsletter which covers the latest news from across Swindon, including updates on recycling collections or health advice, as well as details of local events taking place.



Offers for Residents of Stanton Chase

Try the bus for free!

Each household at Stanton Chase is entitled to claim a week's free travel on the bus. In your welcome pack you will find a Stagecoach flyer with cut off vouchers for a week's travel on all Stagecoach services. Simply exchange the voucher on the bus. Please note your voucher is valid only for your household.

Try the train for free

To help you get to know the rail network around Swindon, each household is entitled to claim free travel on GWR. This can be for commuting or leisure and gives you £20 towards your journey. Please note your voucher is valid only for your household. Simply complete the form at <https://www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/newdevelopments/redlands-grove/> to apply.

Borrow a Bike Scheme

Fancy trying out a bike to see whether you'd want to purchase one afterwards? As part of the offer to new residents, bikes can be loaned for up to 6 weeks for a small deposit. There are a variety of bikes available, including electric bikes. Simply complete the form at www.swindontravelchoices.org.uk/newdevelopments to apply.



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