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Background information

On-street parking is not just about residents being able to park close to their homes: it's about safety, fair access to a limited communal asset, and the right to clean air. Free commuter parking contributes to congestion and pollution. It also undermines public transport, including park-and-ride and rural bus services.

If we get parking controls right, we will reduce congestion and pollution; there will be less justification for building new bus lanes; more car drivers will be contributing to the costs of managing and maintaining city roads and car parks; and more people will use alternative modes of transport.

Smarter Cambridge Transport has published a paper that sets out how new neighbourhood parking schemes may be developed and trialled with the active involvement of communities:

<http://www.smartertransport.uk/street-parking/>

About Smarter Cambridge Transport

Smarter Cambridge Transport is developing and promoting a [modern vision](#) for integrated and sustainable transport for Cambridge, south Cambridgeshire and beyond to:

- Give people more travel options.
- Make journey times predictable.
- Enable buses to run faster.
- Make multi-modal* journeys easier.
- Make paying for transport and parking simpler.
- Make cycling and walking safer and more enjoyable.
- Design transport infrastructure for people not vehicles.
- Protect and enhance the natural and built environment.
- Promote social cohesion and inclusion.

Smarter Cambridge Transport is an unincorporated association of [local residents](#). It has no affiliation or allegiance to any political party, business or other organisation. Every policy and proposal is the product of open-minded research and consultation, and subject to continual revision and refinement as new evidence emerges.

Contact is welcome via our website www.smartertransport.uk or info@smartertransport.uk.

**Multi-modal: involving more than one mode of transport to complete the journey, e.g. catching one bus after another, or cycling to catch a bus, or taking a train then renting a bicycle. Most trips into London are multi-modal; indeed all trips are multi-modal if you include walking!*