

The Sapphire Way is a direct link from Bierton to the town centre in just fifteen minutes. All off-road it is easier and safer for parents to cycle their children to Bierton School.

Residents living in Bierton village, parts of Elmhurst and Manor Park can now fully access the town centre and make the most of the free cycle parking.



Cycle Aylesbury have made a number of improvements to the continuity and profile of the Gemstone cycle network.

Red surfacing has been applied across roads to show the continuation of the cycle ways. Red surfacing lets drivers see cyclists and pedestrians approaching. It is hoped that motorists will be more considerate and allow them to cross when they are waiting. The red surfacing does not provide increased priority for cyclists but it does show that a crossing is approaching. The 'SLOW' markings and Give Way triangles on the cycle ways make it clear to cyclists that they are approaching a crossing and that they will need to take care as they cross the road.

## Cycle Aylesbury

Aylesbury is one of the original 6 national Cycling Towns working towards the Cycling England vision of 'more people cycling, more safely, more often.'

The team run many events to encourage people to cycle and are constantly improving the 'Gemstone Network' of routes. To keep up to date with all that's going on in the town for cycling visit [www.cycleaylesbury.co.uk](http://www.cycleaylesbury.co.uk).

Cycleaylesbury.co.uk has recently undergone a major facelift and is now better than ever. The fully interactive site is constantly updated with tips, advice, news and useful information to help improve and boost cycling in the town.



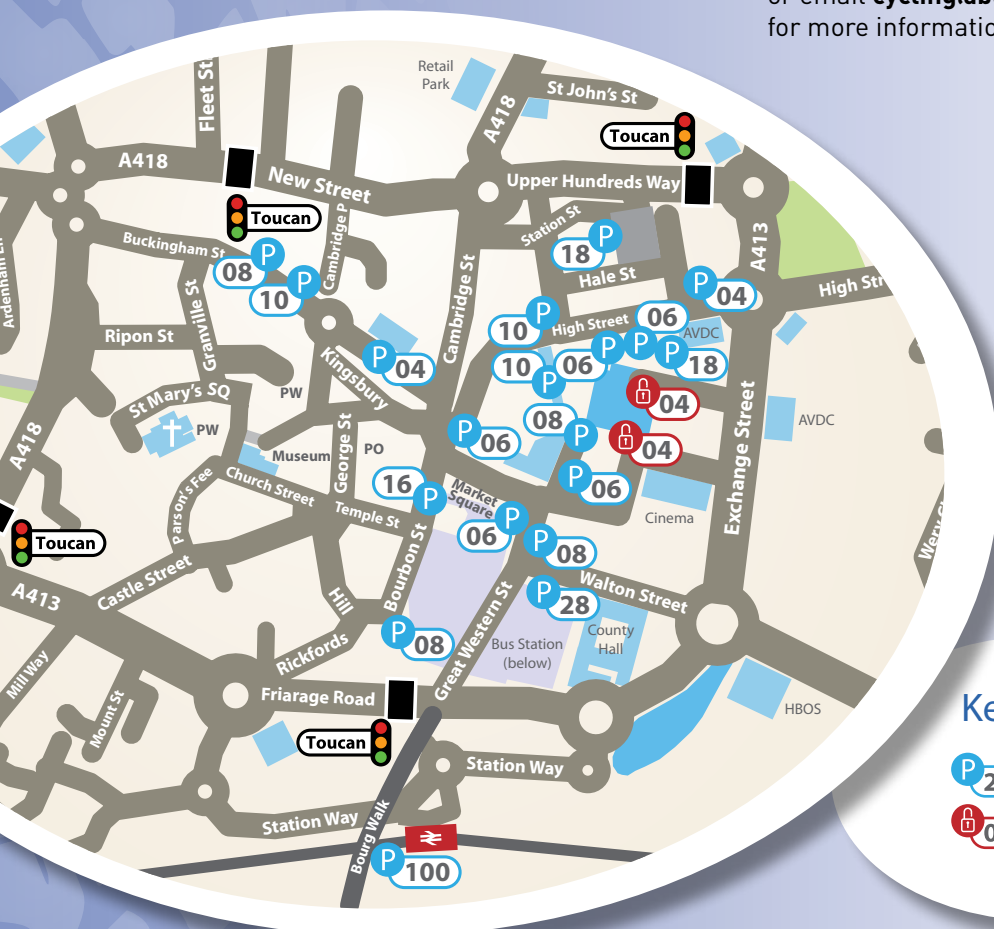
## Useful Contacts, Clubs & Organisations

Aylesbury Cycling Campaign: [www.bucksinfo.net/aylesburycyclingcampaign](http://www.bucksinfo.net/aylesburycyclingcampaign)  
 Aylesbury Cycling Club: [www.aylesburycc.org](http://www.aylesburycc.org)  
 Bike for all: [www.bikeforall.net](http://www.bikeforall.net)  
 Buckingham Bikes: [www.buckinghambikes.co.uk](http://www.buckinghambikes.co.uk)  
 Buckinghamshire County Council: [www.buckscc.gov.uk](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk)  
 Bykeline: [www.bykeline.co.uk](http://www.bykeline.co.uk)  
 Cycle Aylesbury: [www.cycleaylesbury.co.uk](http://www.cycleaylesbury.co.uk)  
 Cycling England: [www.cyclingengland.co.uk](http://www.cyclingengland.co.uk)  
 Sustrans: [www.sustrans.co.uk](http://www.sustrans.co.uk)

## Cycle Training

**Bikeability is the cycling proficiency test for the 21st Century.**

Cycle Aylesbury regularly run **FREE** Bikeability cycle training sessions for both children and adults between April and September. Log on to [www.cycleaylesbury.co.uk](http://www.cycleaylesbury.co.uk) or email [cycling@buckscc.gov.uk](mailto:cycling@buckscc.gov.uk) for more information.



## Cycle Parking

Aylesbury is well equipped for cycle parking, with over 250 free bike parking spaces in and around the town centre.

The map on the left shows where you can find cycle parking in Aylesbury town centre.

## Key

**P**<sub>28</sub> = 28 spaces  
**L**<sub>04</sub> = 04 lockers

## Junctions & Crossings

### Raised Crossing

Provide a level crossing point. Red surfacing shows that cyclists will be crossing but does not give extra priority for cyclists.

### Toucan Crossing

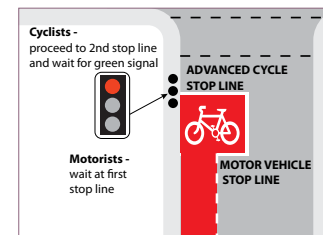
Pedestrians and cyclists share a signalled crossing area. Cyclists do not need to dismount.

### Cyclists using Pedestrian Crossings

Cyclists may use other crossings to cross the road, e.g. pelican and zebra, but should always dismount.

### Advanced Stop Lines

A number of traffic signal controlled junctions in the town have advanced stop lines for cyclists. They enable cyclists to get to the front of traffic queues and improve safety, particularly when turning.



## Cycling Tips

Cycling in Aylesbury is easier than ever with on-road cycle lanes and off-road cycle paths. Here are some tips to ensure your journeys are safe and enjoyable.

- Wear a helmet (with a British Standard) - ensure it is a good fit.
- Use lights at night - front and rear.
- Know your route. Avoid difficult situations, such as right turns on busy roads. Choose cycle paths or advisory routes where possible.
- Wear reflective or fluorescent clothing for extra visibility
- Use a good lock (as a guide, a lock should cost about 7-10 % of the value of your bicycle).
- For added security, make sure your bike is easily identifiable. Make a note of the frame number, model, colour and accessories - take a photograph.
- Keep your bike well serviced, check brakes, steering and tyres regularly.
- Ensure children are well trained; if you are an adult set a good example.

## Pavement Rules

- On shared routes pedestrians may not be aware of your approach so be courteous, slow down, ring your bell and give them plenty of space. They may be hard of hearing or have bad eyesight.
- It is illegal to cycle on the footway unless it is specifically marked for cyclists.
- Cyclists should give way to pedestrians on shared paths.

## Signs & Symbols

### On Road



Cycle lane



Cycle lane goes against the flow of traffic



Cycle, bus & taxi lane



No motor vehicles (cycling permitted)



No cycling



No entry for all vehicles (including pedal cycles)



Route recommended for pedal cycles which differs for other traffic National Cycle Network (NCN) Route Marker



### Off Road



Segregated route for use by pedal cycles & pedestrians only



Shared route for use by pedal cycles & pedestrians only



Shared route for use by pedal cycles & pedestrians only

## Ground Markings



Indicate segregated route for pedal cycles & pedestrians



Sapphire route marker

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