Marking the way ahead
Route markers, like the one pictured here, have been put in place along the route to help you find your way.

In the future you will see these in other parts of Chelmsford too, indicating more great routes for you to explore.

To help you find your way, each route will be marked using a different colour.

Route signs will also provide an indication of the time to key destinations (these timings are based on an average speed of 10mph).

A few other signs you may see when out cycling, and what they mean...
- **Cycle route**
- **Shared route for pedestrians/cyclists**
- **Segregated route for pedestrians/cyclists**
- **Bus Lane** (bicycles allowed)
- **No entry** (including bicycles)
- **No cycling**

Always cycle safely and respect other road and path users.

Unsure about Cycling alone?
Try cycling with friends, family or a colleague or start with short trips and gradually build up the time and distance. You'll soon notice the difference in both your fitness levels and general health.

Alternatively try joining a club; Chelmer Cycling Club organise regular weekend rides, with something suitable for all. For more details visit [www.chelmercc.org.uk](http://www.chelmercc.org.uk).

Chelmsford Youth Cycle Club offer leisure and competitive cycling for children, young people and families. Get in touch via their facebook page, call 07754475066 or 07789131360 or visit [chelmsfordyouthcycling.blogspot.com](http://chelmsfordyouthcycling.blogspot.com).

On the road
Unsure how to approach a junction?
Want to feel more confident riding in traffic? Chelmsford has a growing off-road cycle network, but if you want to ride on the road, get Bikeability training from Essex County Council by calling 0845 603 7631.

Other places to visit
- West Park, Pitch and Putt
  01245 257682
- Huttons Courtyard Café (Hylands Park)
  01245 346765
- Hylands House
  01245 605550

Local & national organisations
- Cycle Chelmsford
  [www.cyclechelmsford.co.uk](http://www.cyclechelmsford.co.uk)
- Essex County Council
  [www.essex.gov.uk/highways](http://www.essex.gov.uk/highways)
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  [www.chelmercc.org.uk](http://www.chelmercc.org.uk)
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  [www.ctc.org.uk](http://www.ctc.org.uk)
- British Cycling
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Cycle Chelmsford is a new partnership of businesses, social enterprises, local authorities and campaign groups.
We have one aim... to get more people cycling.

Over the coming years investments will be made in improving Chelmsford’s cycle paths and signs, making cycling a genuine option for getting around.

Why Cycle?
It’s good for your health:
Cycling can be easily incorporated into your daily routine and brings you and your family closer to recommended daily activity targets.

It’s good for your wallet:
With the cost of fuel rising ever higher, think how much you’ll save if you make some journeys by bike.

It’s good for your environment:
Cycling is almost carbon neutral, so it’s good for the environment.

It’s good for the town:
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A day of leisure
The route leads you past a wide range of leisure facilities available in Central Park, Belt Meadow, Sky Blue Pasture, West Park, Admirals Park and Tower Gardens, or spend an afternoon in the beautiful village of Wittle with it’s traditional village green, duck pond and a Norman church. For more information visit [www.chelmsford.gov.uk/maps/parks](http://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/maps/parks) or [www.writtlevillage.co.uk](http://www.writtlevillage.co.uk).

Surely the most beautiful village you’ll ever cycle through.

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- Sustrans
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- Bikeability
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Share the space
Whether you cycle on the road or on designated cycle paths you will have to share the space. Please remember:

On shared off-road facilities
- Pedestrians are more vulnerable than a cyclist.
- Keep to an appropriate speed for the type of track you are using and the number of other users.
- Lights are still required at night - other users need to see you and you need to see where you’re going.

On the road
- We all have equal right to the road space whether on two wheels or four.
- Be decisive and hold your line.
- Jumping red lights and riding on pavements is illegal and dangerous.
- Advance stop lines and cycle lanes are for cyclists’ safety.
- Don’t fill up the nearside of large vehicles - they may not see you.

As you have seen, cycling is good for the environment, health, your pocket and the town. However, it is still important to be sensible when out cycling.

- Always cycle on the right.
- Be discerning and get off the road if you feel threatened.
- Look both ways at junctions.
- Be aware of other road users.
- Never cycle against the flow of traffic.
- Remember traffic rules apply to you and other users.
- Always cycle safely and respect other road and path users.

The Lordship Shop & Tea Room
The tea room offers home made cakes, freshly made hot and cold lunches and a range of gifts and homeware items.

Across the courtyard the shop offers patisserie, butchery and delicatessen, butchery and delicatessen, butchery and delicatessen, butchery and delicatessen.

Wait? A selection of items are available to take away. Advance orders welcome.

01245 421810.

For more information contact the tea room: 01245 421810.

www.chelmsford-miniature-railway.org.uk

Other functions and offers accommodation
The college is also available for private functions and offers accommodation.

Established in 1893, Writtle College is colleges supporting careers focused on the Green Industries.

www.writtlevillage.co.uk

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Working in partnership with Essex Business School, Ruskin University, Chelmsford Cycling Action Group, Writtle College, Active Chelmsford and Chelmer Cycling Club

If you have any queries about this map, or would like further copies, please contact us: info@cyclechelmsford.co.uk or call Essex County Council on 0845 603 7631.

You can also download this leaflet and find other cycling information at [www.essex.gov.uk/highways](http://www.essex.gov.uk/highways).