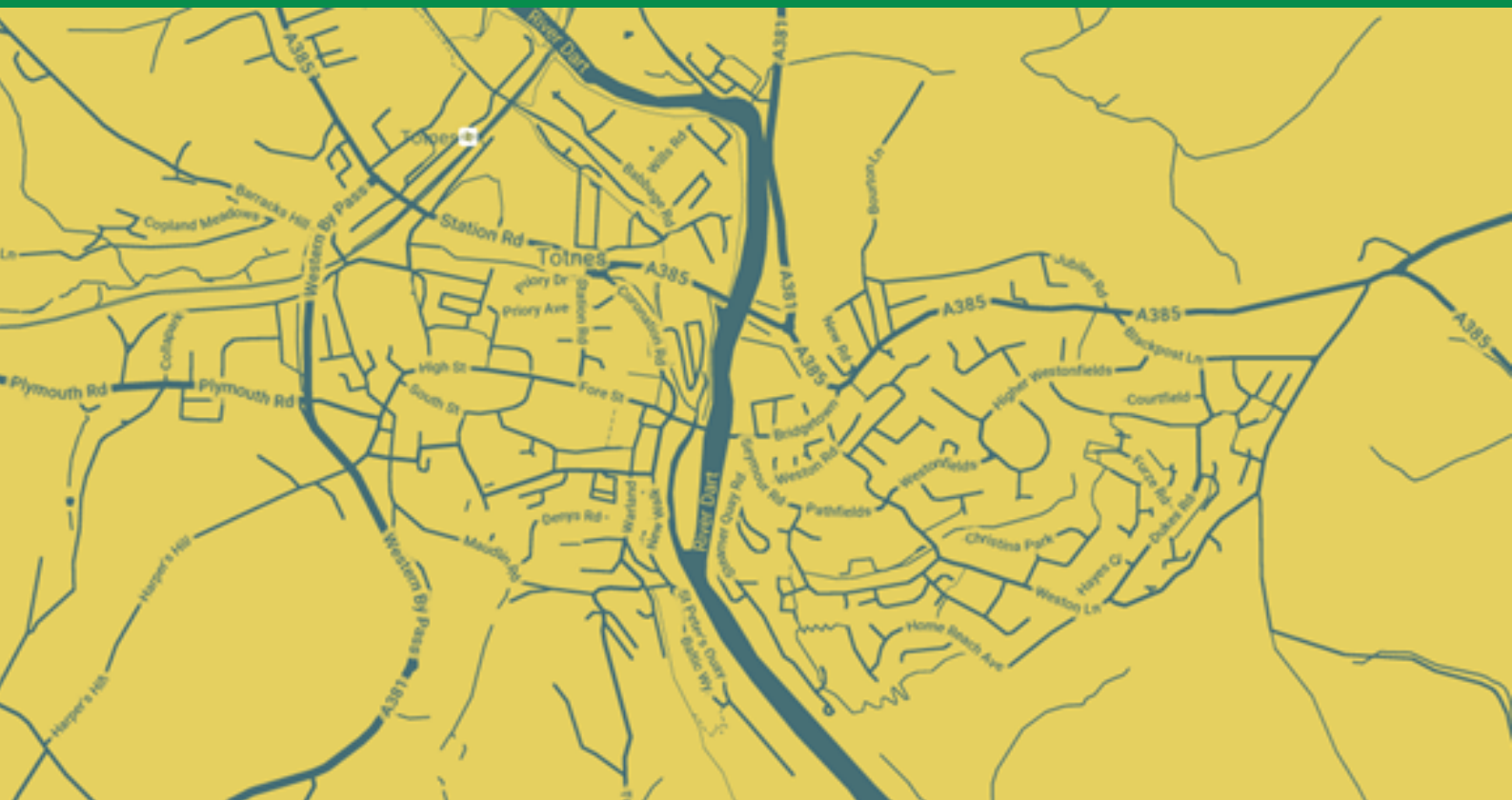


GREEN TRAVEL GUIDE

TOTNES



FOREWORD

This guide is aimed at supporting residents and visitors of Totnes to travel more sustainably in the local area. We have also included a few tips for travel further afield.

Green Travel refers to all travel that reduces private vehicle usage and improves air quality, such as walking, wheeling, public transport and car/bike sharing.

A printable version with full hyperlinks is being developed.

We hope you find this guide useful.



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GETTING AROUND ON FOOT

WALKING AROUND TOTNES

Totnes is an old town and has many walking routes and shortcuts that you can take to get around. We recommend taking some time to explore the area to discover any handy cut-throughs there may be.

OpenStreetMap contains an overview of many of the footpaths. You can even add any new ones that you discover! Click the 'i' on the right-hand side toolbar to see the map legend.

[OpenStreetMap
Totnes](#)



ACCESS FOR ALL PATH

This 2-mile footpath and cycle route is carefully designed to be suitable for people with disabilities, including wheelchair users and people with sight loss.

There are 10 benches along the path, with toilets and nearby car parks in Totnes and Dartington. An audio guide to the path is available also available.

[Access For All Path](#)



GETTING AROUND ON FOOT

LEISURE WALKING

WALK & TALK

Totnes Walk & Talk offers walks on Mondays (60-90 minutes) and Wednesdays (30-60 minutes) for anyone wishing to get more active.

More information can be found on the Wellbeing Walks webpage.

Totnes Wellbeing Walks



LEISURE ROUTES

Visit Totnes outlines some walks in and around Totnes, including the Franklin Trail and the Dart Valley Trail.

Walks around Totnes

visitTOTNES

RAMBLERS WALKS

Totnes Ramblers has an extensive programme of walks.

You can find more information on the Totnes Ramblers webpage:

ramblers.org.uk/go-walking/ramblers-groups/totnes-group

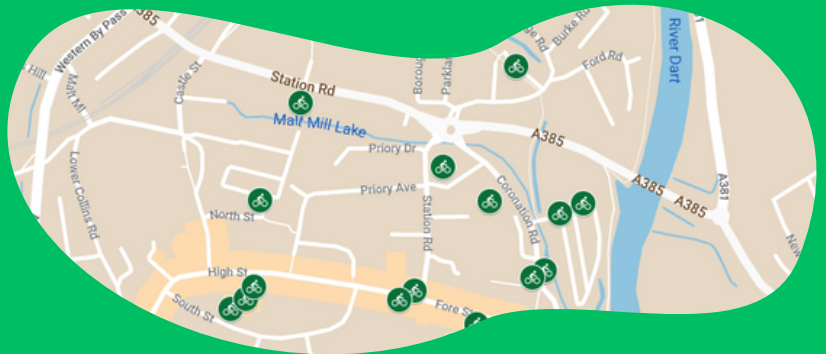


GETTING AROUND BY BIKE

BIKE PARKING MAP

There are plenty of places to park your bike in town.

[Click here](#) for a map of locations, including images.



CYCLE ROUTES

Totnes is lucky to have the National Cycle Network 28 running through it, as well as being close to NCN 2.

Sustrans sell a hard-copy map, or you can use [OSmaps/Travel Devon](#) to explore online.

Other routes can be found on the [Travel Devon](#) website as well as via apps such as Komoot, Strava and Ride with GPS.



TOTNES BIKE HUB

The Totnes Bike Hub is a Community Interest Company (CIC) that offers:

- bike repairs
- volunteering opportunities
- social rides
- second-hand bikes.

Email: totnesbikehub@gmail.com

Phone: 07761 930035

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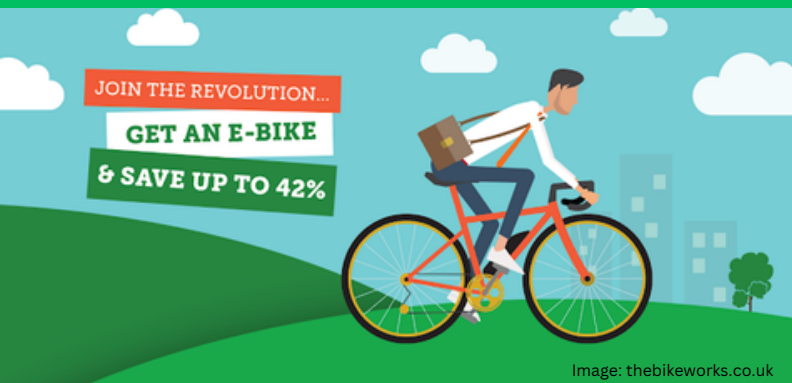
GETTING AROUND BY BIKE

CYCLE TO WORK SCHEME

The Cycle to Work scheme allows you to spread the cost of a new bike and accessories across (minimum) 12 months, as well as saving you money on tax. [Find a savings calculator here.](#)

Check whether your employer is signed up and if they are not, consider asking them to do so - **it's free!**

[Find more information here](#)



BIKE PURCHASE AND HIRE

We have a number of excellent independent bike shops in the area.

Second-hand bikes:

- Totnes Bike Hub
- Ride On, Exeter
- eBay/Facebook Marketplace

New bikes:

- Bigpeaks, Ashburton
- Hot Pursuit, Kingsteignton
- e-Xplore Devon, Churchstow
- Dialed in Bikes, Paington
- Partridge Cycles, Kennford
- Red Brick Cycles, Plymouth and many more

Bike hire:

- e-Vo bike hire
- e-Xplore Devon

[Guide to buying a used bike](#)

TIPS, TRICKS AND FURTHER RESOURCES

Cycling UK and Sustrans have a wealth of resources on getting started, bike maintenance, safety, and much more.

Travel Devon also offer a variety of information, including details on free cycle confidence sessions.

[VISIT CYCLING UK](#)

[VISIT SUSTRANS](#)

[VISIT TRAVEL DEVON](#)

GETTING AROUND BY BIKE

E-BIKES

E-bikes are particularly handy in a place like Devon which is full of hills! E-bikes make it easier to get about, enabling you to carry more with you and get up those hills without breaking a sweat.

[E-bike Safety Guidance](#)



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E-BIKE CONVERSIONS

You can easily convert a push bike to an e-bike. We recommend using a local service, such as the one below.

Asher's E-bikes | Custom-built e-bike conversions in Totnes

£725 - £775

Motor, battery, LCD display

0799 9934369

asher.levin.mail@gmail.com

You can also do it yourself. **HOWEVER**, ensure you are purchasing the kit from a reputable seller.

Please read the safety guidance below.

[E-bike Safety Guidance](#)

NEW & USED E-BIKES

E-bikes have become increasingly popular and there are many different ones to choose from.

It is worth doing some research to determine the best option for you, including speaking to your local bike shop.

Good used e-bikes are harder to come by as battery technology has changed significantly over the past few years. We have included some useful links below.

[General e-bike advice](#)

[Buying a used e-bike](#)

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

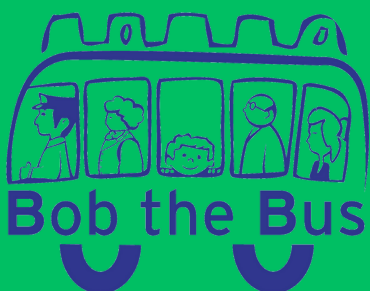


BUSES

The following buses run through Totnes and/or Dartington:

BOB 1	Bridgetown - Totnes Town circular	BOB 1 timetable
BOB 2	Follaton - Totnes Town circular	BOB 2 timetable
BOB Sat	Saturday Totnes Town Centre	BOB Saturday
167	Totnes - Follaton	167 timetable
GOLD	Paignton - Totnes - Plymouth	GOLD timetable
88	Newton Abbot - Totnes	88 timetable
88B	Totnes - Westonfields - Totnes	88B timetable
7	Totnes - Newton Abbot - Exeter	7 timetable
177	Totnes - Newton Abbot via Abbotskerswell	177 timetable

BOB THE BUS



Bob the Bus is a community bus operating in Totnes and surrounding rural areas.

It is a 'hail a ride' service, meaning you can get on and off the bus at any point on its route.

[See fares](#)

[Go to website](#)

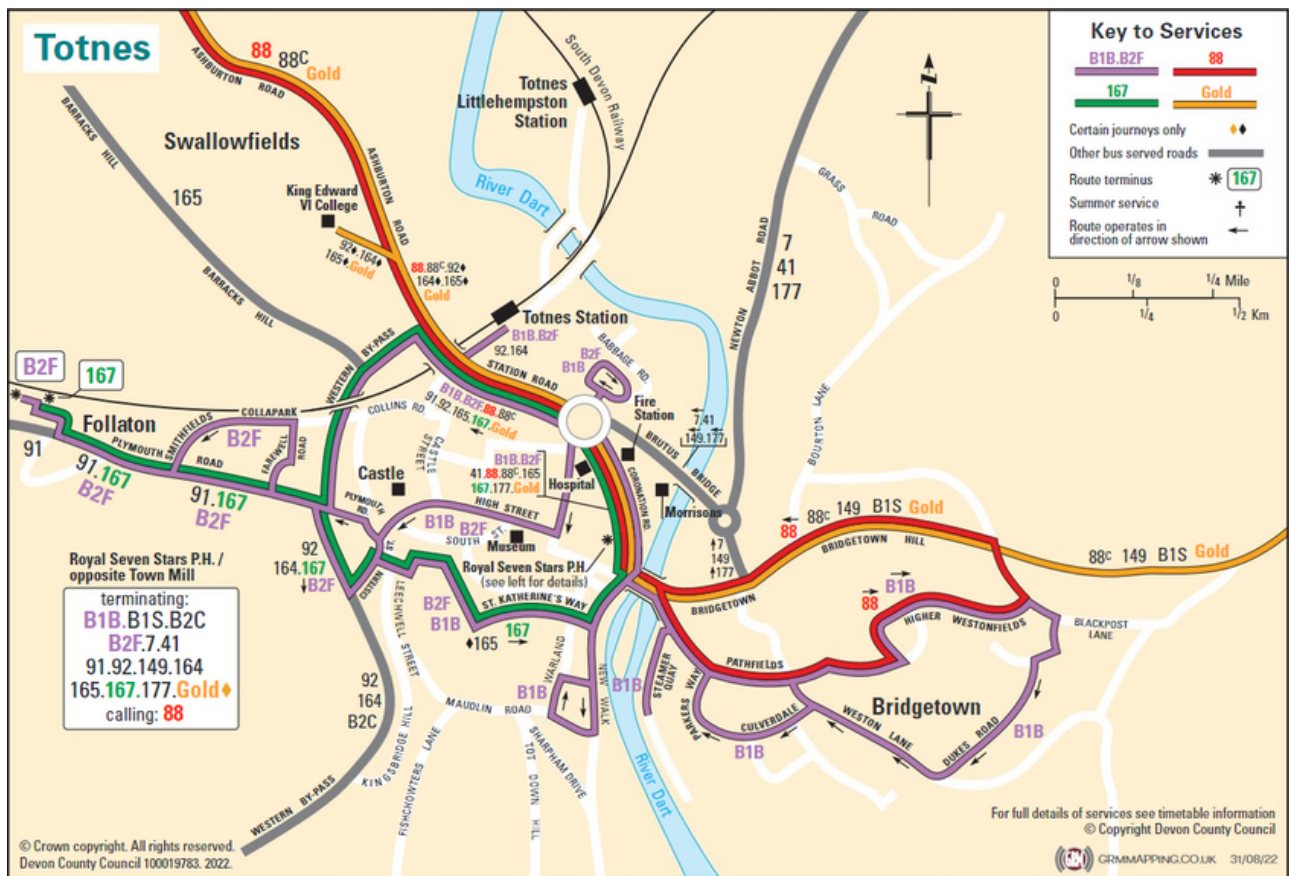
PUBLIC TRANSPORT



BUS MAPS

Travel Devon have created an interactive map of bus routes and timetables in Devon. It includes timetables and map overviews. Click the 'Services & Timetables' tab in the top right.

Click here for the Interactive Map



CAR & BIKE SHARES

TOTNES CAR CLUB: E-COCARS

E-cocars is a car share club based in Totnes. Book a car online or with a smartphone and you'll have a car just when you need one – for an hour, a day, for as long as you like.



Visit the E-cocars website

INFORMAL CAR/BIKE SHARES

Fancy setting up your own informal car or bike share with friends or neighbours? CoMoUK have created useful resources for anyone looking to establish a car or bike club.

Car club handbook

Bike club guide



FURTHER AFIELD

TRAINS

Totnes is well served by trains that go directly to places such as Plymouth, Penzance, Bristol, London and Edinburgh.



Money Saving Expert have an excellent overview of how to get the cheapest **train tickets**: moneysavingexpert.com/travel/cheap-train-tickets/

For a comprehensive overview of train travel in Europe and beyond, visit The Man in Seat 61.

For tickets, Eurostar and Rail Europe are best.

Seat 61

Rail Europe

Eurostar

COACHES

Megabus, National Express and FlixBus offer good value bus journeys across the UK.

Megabus

National Express

FlixBus

SUSTAINABLE ADVENTURES

Totnes Climate Hub have created some excellent guides to sustainable adventures.

Sustainable
Adventure Guides



GET INVOLVED

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

The following organisations are always looking for new volunteers

Totnes Bike Hub

Sustrans

Totnes Climate Hub



TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT FORUM

The Totnes & District Traffic and Transport Forum acts as an advisory body to Totnes Town Council as an avenue to progress traffic-related issues.

Forum meetings are open for anyone to attend and are held quarterly in January, April, July and October.

Sign up to the Traffic & Transport mailing list [here](#) or visit Totnes Town Council's Traffic & Transport page.



GET IN TOUCH

Do you have any questions about this guide? Get in touch!
Email Totnes Town Council on: reception@totnestowncouncil.gov.uk

Find more information on TTC's Traffic & Transport page:
www.totnestowncouncil.gov.uk/your-community/traffic-transport/

Sign up to the Totnes & District Traffic and Transport mailing list via this link: <http://eepurl.com/h1n3lP>

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