



## Your Favourite Trees

As part of our action to enhance biodiversity in the Parish we wish to recognise our old and notable trees. The Woodland Trust has developed a database that will allow us to use criteria to assist in judging the age of trees. Any information submitted to the Woodland Trust's database will then be validated by their trained volunteers. We have surprisingly few trees protected by Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs) in the Parish and trees within the curtilage of listed buildings don't have automatic protection. The Woodland Trust's database aims to highlight how many ancient and notable trees are at risk of being lost through development and neglect. This information may support requests for government to increase protection of these valuable assets. Do you know of any large trees in the Parish? Trees that have historical significance in the community? Trees that have a prominent position in the landscape? Would you like to help in checking reported trees?

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# TRANSPORT



UK private vehicle ownership has doubled since the 1980s and the size and weight of the vehicles has also greatly increased. This causes impacts such as noise and air pollution, CO<sup>2</sup> emissions, congestion and problem parking.

Living rurally, and with a diminished bus service, alternatives to private vehicle ownership can seem limited. In this special, we explore some options.

## CAR CLUB

Car Clubs can offer a great alternative to owning your own vehicle. They require community engagement to be successful but they can provide an opportunity to give up at least one vehicle. There are many benefits, such as:

- Car club vehicles are shown to each replace ~20 privately owned vehicles
- Car club users are more likely to walk and cycle for short journeys
- UK privately owned vehicles have an average running cost of over £3000pa

We are currently exploring ways of setting up a Powick Parish Car Club. If you think a car club could be for you, please get in touch!

[carclub@powickclimateaction.org](mailto:carclub@powickclimateaction.org)

## PEER-TO-PEER HIRE



Peer-to-peer vehicle hire services are a relatively recent development. They offer a way of accessing privately owned vehicles for hire, without having to worry about things like insurance because the system takes care of all that.

Living rurally, it can be hard finding a vehicle available near to you. On **HiyaCar** there are vehicles listed in Worcester but none in Powick at this time. Maybe you would like to offer a vehicle for others to hire and supplement your income?

**Check out: [www.hiyacar.co.uk](http://www.hiyacar.co.uk)**

## Interested in the environment?

PACE needs more members to shape our agenda and work with the parish council and other local bodies on a variety of issues, from rewilding to carbon reduction, energy efficiency to managing waste.

**Get in touch! >> [contact@powickclimateaction.org](mailto:contact@powickclimateaction.org) <<**



# SPECIAL



## ON DEMAND BUS SERVICE



**WORCESTERSHIRE**  
ON DEMAND

Parts of our parish are covered by a new demand-responsive bus service. It operates from 7am until 7pm, Monday through to Saturday, accommodating areas including Upton-upon-Severn, Callow End, Kempsey, Hanley Swan, Hanley Castle, Longdon, Bushley and Welland. Journeys cost £2.50, with additional passengers paying £1.50, and concessionary cards are valid.

There is a great Worcestershire On Demand phone app, or journeys can be booked by calling **01905 846180** or by emailing **WOD@worcestershire.gov.uk**

*"It's on a 12 month trial. In my opinion it is a wonderful service and it would be a real shame to lose it. Please everyone let's start making the most of it!"*

Gillian Missaoui, Upton-Upon-Severn - Worcestershire On Demand user

## ACTIVE TRAVEL



Active Travel means getting about in a way that makes you physically active, like walking or cycling. It's cheap and great for you. Let's look at some of the ways in which you can build it into your routine.

### Walking infrastructure

You might want to invest in a stout pair of boots for some of them, but we are lucky to have some fantastic footpaths on our patch. It's also great to see work being carried out to upgrade the pavement between Callow End and Powick. These are the sorts of improvements that make walking for short trips viable!

### Bike Bus

One of our members is a regular volunteer rider on the Bike Busses serving Worcester schools. They are a fantastic way for children and parents to ride safely together to school. **Get in touch to explore this for your school.**

### Bikeability / Cycle clubs / Group rides

Check out Bikeability courses ([bikeability.org.uk](http://bikeability.org.uk)) or local clubs and group rides to build up skills and confidence on a bike. The amazing Cycle Sistas are based locally and organise regular group rides for ladies. **Insta: @the\_cycle\_sistas**

### Electric bikes

E-bikes are a great way to enable and encourage cycling. We would encourage anyone to give them a go. Why not try one out with our E-Bike Loan Scheme?

FREE  
HEALTHY  
FUN



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Free two-week loan of  
a quality electric bike  
for residents of  
Powick Parish!

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