

Bridport Cohousing CLT

Transport Policy

Valid from: August 2019

The principles which inform this policy:

1. We are working together as a community to reduce our ecological footprint.
2. We support residents of all ages and abilities to make travel choices that suit their needs.
3. We are working towards a site that is as car-free as possible.

The aims of this policy:

1. To provide members with guidelines and opportunities for using more sustainable transport.
2. To make it easier for residents to access sustainable transport through resources and schemes that will be available on site.

Therefore, our current agreement is that:

1. The neighbourhood will provide:
 - one parking space per household*
 - dedicated accessible/disabled parking spaces
 - limited visitor parking spaces
 - secure and dry storage for bicycles/tricycles (both pedal powered and electric)
 - electric charging points for cars (bicycles can be charged in the home)
 - hand carts/wheelbarrows for ferrying bulky items from parking areas to homes
2. We want to support local bus services by using them wherever possible. There will be up-to-date bus and train service timetables in the common house.
3. We want to support the use of bicycles, sharing them where possible.
4. We will actively encourage residents to share car journeys. There will be a dedicated notice board in the common house, and an online space, for arranging rides.

5. The community will explore opportunities for reducing the number of vehicles that are owned by individuals. This could involve creating or joining a local car club.
6. Households with no car can forego their parking space and offer it to other residents by written agreement.
7. Hirers of the common house will be asked to minimise the number of cars generated by their events and to ask their visitors not to park in busy Hospital Lane where possible.
8. There will be direct access to homes for emergency vehicles, deliveries of heavy goods and for people with disabilities.

* every household signs a legal agreement required by the lease agreeing that, while resident in the neighbourhood, they will only be the registered keeper of an additional vehicle if they have another dedicated off-road parking space for it either onsite or elsewhere.