

Travel between Oxstalls and FCH campuses

Distance: 7 miles

Approximate time on foot: due to the distance walking is not recommended

Approximate time by bike: 30 - 35 minutes

From Oxstalls to FCH

Google Map available **HERE**

Exit the campus turning right on to Oxstalls Lane and then immediately left on to Cheltenham Road. Follow this road for 1.5 miles until it reaches the major Elmbridge Court Roundabout where it is possible to join a cycle path on the pavement. This path ducks beneath the A40 in an underpass and then runs on the pavement beside the B4063. Follow this path into Churchdown until it comes to an end at the crossroads with Innsworth Lane. Here you will have to join the road though there is cycle lane available on the road a little further on. Keep following the B4063 all the way to the Golden Valley Roundabout (about 4 miles in all) - this is a mix of cycle paths both on the road and the pavement and pure road riding.

Just before the Roundabout there is a cycle lane that appears on the left to guide cyclists away from the traffic – follow this across Fiddler's Green Lane.

It drops down and you pass underneath the underpass on your right and emerge to join Miserden Rd. Follow this road until you reach a second underpass on your left. Pass through this and then turn right to follow the cycle lane down Gloucester Road, this becomes signed as National Cycle Network Route 41.

Proceed down this path to the major junction with Landsdown Road (there is a Shell garage on the right) where it is necessary to re-join the road as you turn left into Gloucester Road. Follow Gloucester Road to the roundabout at the top next to the railway station.

At this roundabout take the second exit, right, on to Queen's Road and look for the National Cycle Route 41 path entrance on the left just past the Tesco store. Take this path and follow National Cycle Route 41 for just about 1.5 miles to The Prince of Wales Stadium (ensuring you take the left path when the route forks under the road approximately half way along). Turning right at the end of the path will bring you to Tommy Taylor's Lane. Turn right here and follow this road until the T junction with St Paul's Road (you can also use Margrett Road on the left when travelling to FCH to avoid the busy Tommy Taylors/ St Pauls Rd junction).

Turning left on to St Paul's Road means **FCH campus** can be found approximately 100 yards further up on the right hand side.



Turning right on to St Paul's Road, the **Centre for Art and Photography** is approximately 50 yards further on the right, just after passing underneath the bridge.

NOTE: National Cycle Route 41 on which you will have just ridden actually passes over this bridge and it can be accessed directly from the road here if you prefer, making for a quicker journey. When on the Route 41, look out for the 'St Paul's Rd' sign on the left just after crossing the bridge and exit down the slope.

From FCH to Oxstalls

Google Map available **HERE**

From **FCH**, exit the campus by turning left on to St Pauls Road. After only a few yards turn right on to Margrett Road and follow this, turning right at the far end at the junction with Tommy Taylor's Lane. Proceed down this road, turning left on to the path opposite the Leisure Centre (signposted National Cycle Network Route 41 towards the railway station). Proceed down this adjoining track for a few yards until the cycle track starts proper on your left, again signposted to the railway station. Follow this path for approximately 1.5 miles until it terminates in the railway station carpark. (From **Centre for Art and Photography** exit left and immediately up the signposted path to join the Cycle Route on the bridge, then right at the top and follow to the railway station as above).

Exiting the car park turn left on to Queen's Road and then take the first exit (left) at the mini roundabout on to Gloucester Road. Proceed down Gloucester Road to the traffic lights with Landsdown Road. At the traffic lights, it is possible to pick up a cycle lane on the pavement on the right hand side of the road by using the signed crossing. Continue to follow the cycle route on the pavement which becomes signed as National Cycle Network Route 41.

This proceeds to another major roundabout with Princess Elizabeth Way where you take a left through the underpass and emerge onto Miserden Rd.

Follow Miserden Rd until you cross Whittington Road and re-join the cycle lane that drops down to a second underpass at the Golden Valley Roundabout.

Turn right through the underpass and follow the cycle track up and across Fiddler's Green Lane. The cycle track then merges into the B4063.

After joining the B4063, take the left down Bamfurlong Lane after about 100 yards. Follow this road, ensuring you take the signposted right to the airport after about half a mile. The road crosses the M5, passes the airport and then rejoins the B4063. Turn left on to the B4063 at this junction. Follow this road for two miles through Churchdown (passing through several sets of lights).

Following the same road out of Churchdown there is a Fire Station on the left just before the major Elmbridge Court Roundabout at Longlevens. Turn left immediately after the Fire Station on to the



cycle path that passes beneath the A40, crosses the entrance road to the industrial estate and then again forms another underpass beneath the A417. This cycle path then merges into Cheltenham Road. Follow Cheltenham Road over two sets of traffic lights, then past the BP Garage and Coop on the right and Double Gloucester pub on the left (there is on road cycle path the whole way). Oxstalls Campus is approximately 400 yards from the pub on the right hand side, on Oxstalls Lane.