



Reading
Cycle Routes



Cycling in Reading

Route Map and Facilities Guide 2022

Cycling Safely

Whether you are an experienced or inexperienced cyclist you must obey the Highway Code – it applies to cyclists as much as to motorists. Below you will find an outline of some of the points illustrated in the code.

On-Road

You MUST abide by all traffic signs and traffic light signals.

Bus lanes may be used by cyclists only if the signs include a cycle symbol. Be very careful when overtaking or leaving a bus lane as you will be entering a busier traffic flow.

The law requires that you must have lights and reflectors when on the road between sunset and sunrise.

Advanced Stop Lines enable cyclists to position themselves ahead of other traffic at traffic signal junctions.

Off-Road

Look out for footpaths designated as shared-use for pedestrians and cyclists. These may be segregated by a white line or unsegregated.

Take care when passing pedestrians, especially children, elderly or disabled people and allow them plenty of room. Always be prepared to slow down and stop if necessary.



Top Safety Tips

- Aim to be seen by other road users- wear bright or reflective clothing
- Wear a helmet that conforms to current regulations
- The law requires that you must have lights and reflectors when on the road between sunset and sunrise

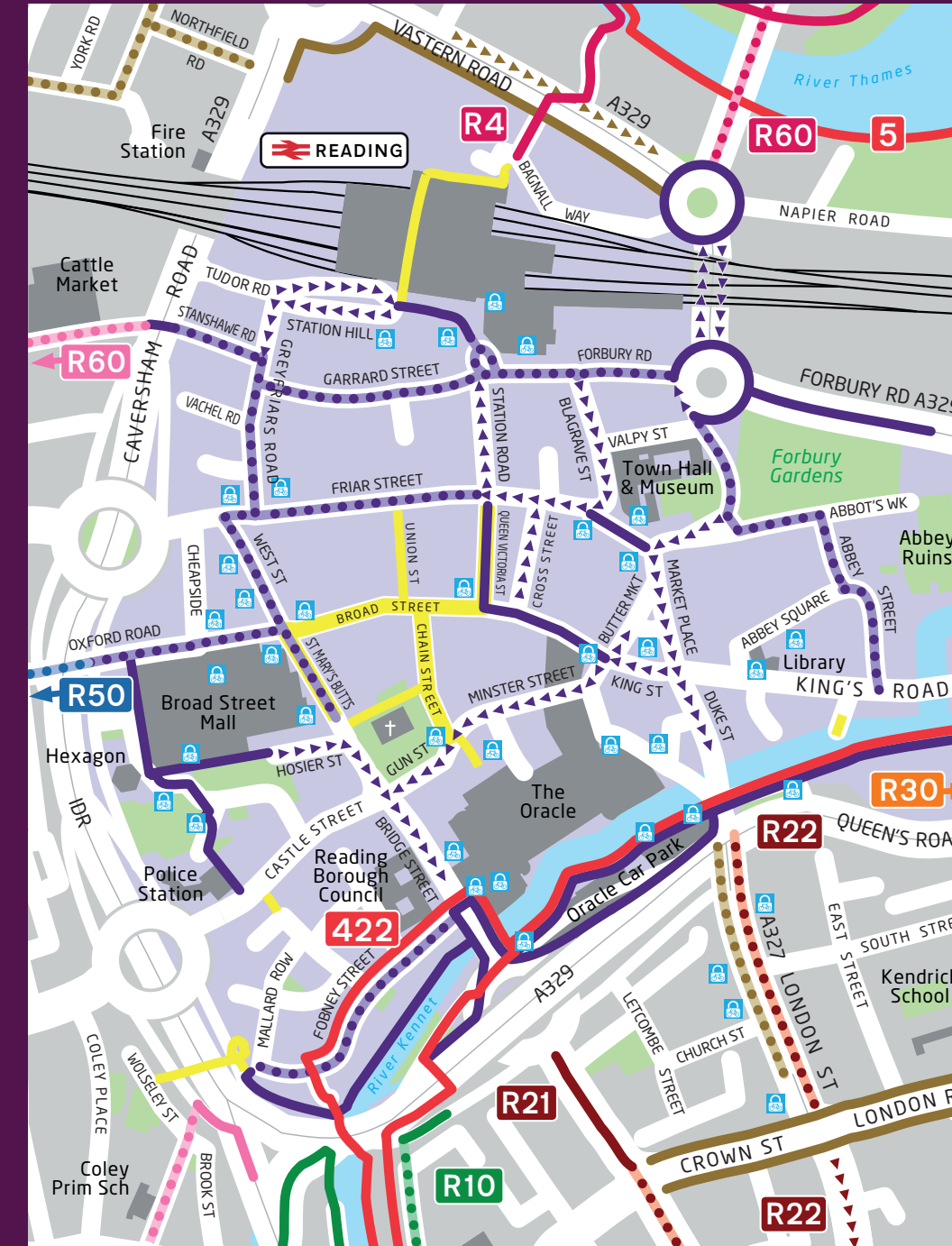
Considerate Cycling

- Follow the Highway Code
- Cycle only on pavements designated as shared-use
- Use your bell to make other road users aware of your presence as not all pedestrians can see you
- Make eye contact with other road users
- Signal when carrying out turning manoeuvres and check your blind spots
- Cycle at an appropriate speed dependent upon the facilities being used
- Be prepared to stop or slow down particularly where other road users are present

More information on the Highway Code can be found at gov.uk/guidance/the-highway-code/rules-for-cyclists-59-to-82



Cycle Routes in Central Reading



Legend

- Town Centre route
- Linking route
- Pedestrian zone
- Reading Cycle Route
- National Cycle Network
- Cycle parking facilities
- Railway Station

Cycle Facilities Key (for all route colours)

- Traffic-free cycle route
- On-road cycle route/facilities
- On-road cycle route - one-way street

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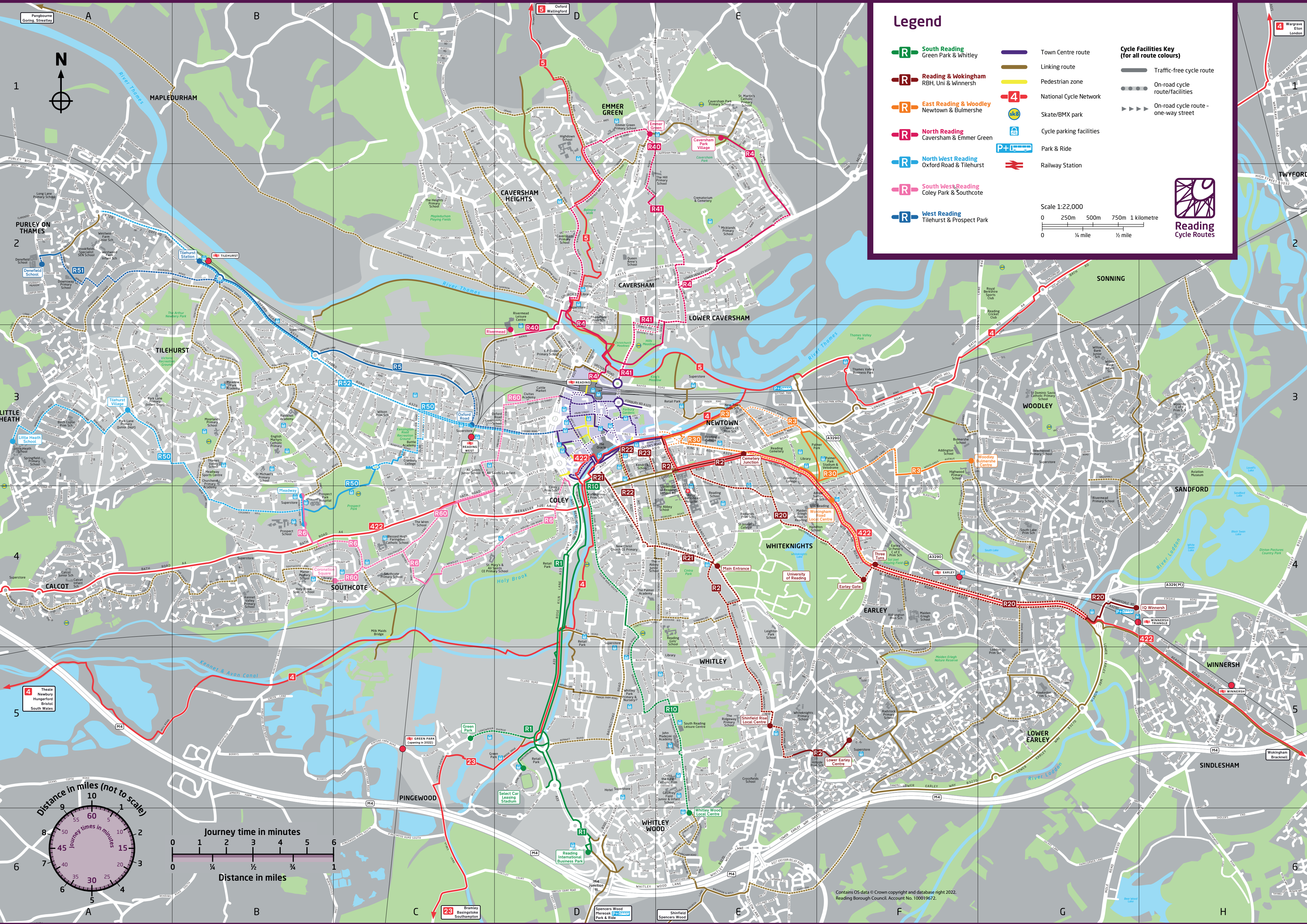
Bikes are the most energy-efficient form of transport and can be faster and more predictable than car or bus for short journeys.

For example, at a relatively comfortable 10mph, you can cycle from Green Park to The Oracle in 15 minutes - burning around 100 calories in the process.

Cycling regularly can keep you fit, save you money (no tax, no fuel, no fares) and it's one of the most environmentally-friendly ways to travel.

Whether you are an experienced or inexperienced cyclist, planning a journey to work, school or for leisure. Reading Borough Council is happy to provide copies of this cycle map. Please call **0118 937 3787** or email tansport@reading.gov.uk for hard copies. Alternatively, you can find it is online at reading.gov.uk/transport/cycling





Legend

- South Reading**
Green Park & Whitley
- Reading & Wokingham**
RBH, Uni & Winnersh
- East Reading & Woodley**
Newtown & Bulmershe
- North Reading**
Caversham & Emmer Green
- North West Reading**
Oxford Road & Tilehurst
- South West Reading**
Coley Park & Southcote
- West Reading**
Tilehurst & Prospect Park
- Town Centre route
- Linking route
- Pedestrian zone
- National Cycle Network
- Skate/BMX park
- Cycle parking facilities
- Park & Ride
- Railway Station

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Scale 1:22,000
0 250m 500m 750m 1 kilometre
0 ¼ mile ½ mile

