



# Transport from your door to destination

## For anyone without access to suitable public transport

### What is the Oxfordshire Comet?

A new, bookable transport service from Oxfordshire County Council.

If you are an Oxfordshire resident and don't have access to suitable public transport, the Oxfordshire Comet can transport you from your door to any destination in the galaxy of Oxfordshire! The service is also open to wheelchair users and those with mobility issues.

Whether you want to meet friends in town, travel across the county, attend an appointment or pop to the shops, you can call the Oxfordshire Comet.

It's affordable and easy to book, with a pre-paid account that can be set up on the phone.

### Your vehicles, not ours

The Oxfordshire Comet uses vehicles that normally take children to school and adults to day care centres. We identified the times of the day when they weren't being used and are making them available to you so that you can make the journeys you want. Because we already own these vehicles, we only have to cover running costs, meaning we can keep costs down for our passengers.

These intergalactic vehicles belong to the people of Oxfordshire and are here to transport you!

### At your service

We can do one-off journeys, regular and group trips. We can also offer regular routes for local communities (similar to a bus route) that do not have access to existing public transport.

The 16-seater Comet vehicles are fully wheelchair and pushchair accessible, and our friendly drivers are only too happy to help.

### Individuals:

**Exclusive use** - you will have sole use of the vehicle and can bring up to 15 companions with you. A five mile journey could cost as little as £7.

**Shared travel** - if you don't mind travelling with others and can be flexible about what day you travel, we will try to match your journey with other bookings to reduce the price.

A five mile journey could cost as little as £3.50. You can also bring a companion (or your children) with you, free of charge.

### Organisations / groups:

You can book the Comet for different types of group trips or a community route. Please call to discuss the service you want and we will give you a quote. We charge a minimum of £20 per hour to cover our basic costs.

### How to get started

- Call 01865 323201 to register and we'll create an account for you
- there is a one off registration fee of £3 and we will send you a membership card
- buy credit for your account to make future journeys.

Pay over the phone (credit/debit cards) to top up your account:

Amount	Free Credit
£10.00 top up	-
£50.00 top up	£5.00 free credit
£100.00 top up	£10.00 free credit

Groups will need to follow the same registration process. We will then provide a quote for the trip(s) and you can pay by invoice after you travel.

### Book a trip

Once you've registered, book a trip by calling 01865 323201 (9am - 4.30pm Monday to Thursday and 9am-4pm on Friday). Just tell us where to pick you up and where you want to go.

The service runs 10.15am -2.30pm Monday to Friday (not Bank Holidays).

If you are using our shared travel service, make sure you **ring at least 24 hours** before you want to travel. The earlier you ring for a shared service the more likely it is that we will be able to do your journey.

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