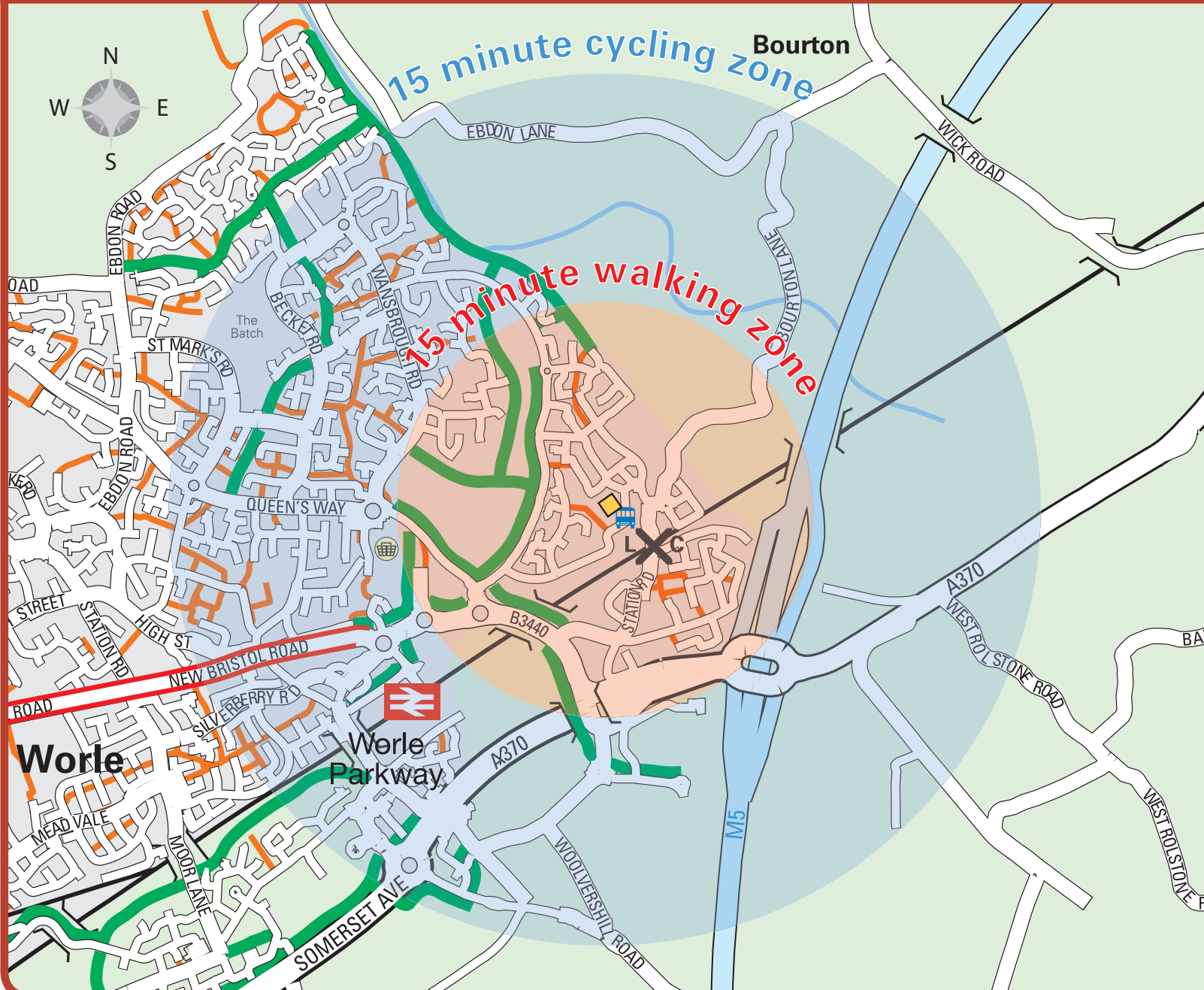


# Travelling to St Georges Church Primary School



## Key

- Roads
- Cycle lane
- Advisory paths & cycleways
- Paths
- Supermarket
- Level crossing
- Railway station
- Bus stop nearest to school
- School location



Home to school transport services are provided for the use of pupils entitled to free transport under North Somerset Council's current policy. Non-entitled passengers may travel under our Vacant Seats Payment Scheme (VSPS) where capacity permits. Please note that other routes may exist to serve individual pupils with Special Educational Needs or those living in remote or inaccessible locations.



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North Somerset Council is fully committed to promoting walking and cycling to school and for greater distances the use of buses for the school journey.

We would encourage as many children as possible to walk or cycle or use a bus rather than being driven to school by their parents.

When you are thinking about choosing a school for your child to attend it is important to consider the following;

**1** Walking, cycling or using the bus reduces congestion on the roads and especially around the school vicinity and entrance. Parents who drive to school increase congestion on the roads by 21% in peak times. (DfT Travel Survey 2009)

**2** Being healthy and active promotes positive well being and benefits children's growth. Children who walk or cycle to school are fitter, have better developed social skills and more familiar with their surroundings, have better roads sense and arrive at school more relaxed and ready to learn.

**3** The cost of driving your child to school is considered to be £330 per year (Centre for Economic and Business Research 2008)

**4** Walking and cycling gives your child greater independence and provides greater flexibility to participate in extra curriculum activities and clubs/groups outside normal school hours.

**5** Children who travel in cars in slow moving traffic also face pollution levels three times higher than pedestrians. (ETA 1997)

**6** If a car journey is necessary consider;

- Parking away safely from the school entrance and walk or scoot to school site.
- Car sharing can save time and money and provides a great way for children to learn social skills.