



Christie Travel update

The Trust aims to highlight a number of ways Christie staff can travel to and from work.

As a hospital located in a busy, residential area, we recognise that finding a car parking space close to the site can be extremely difficult and the Trust continues to look at ways to make this easier.

Alternative forms of transport

The Christie is aiming to increase choice and reduce reliance on cars by seeking to improve access to the Trust site and developing sustainable modes of transport such as

Walking – if you can, why not walk to work? It will save you money and improve your health

Cycling – bike storage, refurbished shower facilities,

and a cycle to work scheme have all been implemented to encourage more staff to cycle to and from work

Public transport – The Christie site is accessible by bus, train and Metrolink, and the Trust has secured discounts for staff with public transport providers. An interest free loan is also available to pay for yearly tickets and secure even bigger discounts

Car sharing – You could improve your position on the car park waiting list if you car share with a colleague and benefit from a 50% reduction in your fees and priority parking.

The Trust also offers Personal Travel Planning which provides you with a bespoke travel plan based on your needs.

Email: CarParking&Travel@christie.nhs.uk or call **ext: 7450** for more information.

S106 Restrictions Update

The S106 parking restrictions (restricted parking zone) were agreed between the Trust and Manchester City Council in order to obtain vital planning permission to expand Christie services.

Consultation on the restrictions closed on 12 December 2014 with Manchester Council informing The Christie that the restrictions will come into force in April 2015 at the earliest. Further information, including a map of restricted parking areas, is available on the intranet.

Construction updates

The following projects will have an impact on Christie car park facilities in 2015:-

- **Maggie's Centre** - work started in January 2015 with the loss of 90 spaces on the staff car park.
- **Manchester Cancer Research Centre** – work is nearing completion on the building. The left hand side of Kinnaird Road has been marked out for 20 disabled access spaces for patients and staff.
- **Proton Beam Therapy Centre** - work is due to commence in summer 2015. The car park at Oak Road will be closed to facilitate the project. Patient spaces, currently used on Oak Road car park will be relocated to an existing staff car park.
- **IPU** - work will commence in 2015 and during building work

patient disabled spaces and The Christie Clinic car park will be closed and spaces will need to be relocated.

Alternative parking for staff

The intention is to keep patient and staff car park numbers constant as work starts on the building projects. This will be done for staff through a number of projects;

- **Park and ride** – the free pilot scheme will launch in March 2015 and will offer around 120 spaces to staff, with plans to extend the scheme in the future. A proposed bus service will run between 7.15am - 9.30am and 3.30pm - 6.30pm from Hough End Playing fields off Mauldeth Road to The Christie main site. If you would like to apply please email **CarParking&Travel@christie.nhs.uk** or call **ext: 7450**.

- **Golden Lion temporary car park, Wilmslow Road** - following planning approval for a temporary car park; the site will be resurfaced, and lighting and security provided so that around 154 staff car park permit holders can park in this area. Work commenced in January 2015 and will complete in Spring 2015.
- **Christie car parks** - following approvals, land on these sites will be turned into environmentally friendly parking spaces to create approximately 168 spaces. This will include the demolition of D block. The release of these spaces will match the spaces taken over by projects as they begin construction.

We also have further plans to considerably extend the park and ride capacity, as well as maximising the use of our existing car parking space on the Withington site.