Blacon is 2 miles from Chester City Centre. The Silver Route provides the Blacon area with routes to the city centre.

The routes run from the shopping area on Blacon Avenue and from the library on Western Avenue using low traffic routes to the city centre, via the University campus on Ch eyne Road.

**Blacon to:**
- White Route - 6 to 10 minutes
- City Centre - 10 to 15 minutes

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### 8 Reasons to Cycle...

1. Save money on fuel, wear & tear and public transport
2. No more expensive gym fees
3. Proven to reduce stress
4. Reduces your carbon footprint
5. Most efficient & reliable form of transport
6. Eases congestion
7. Lose Weight
8. It’s fun

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Other Chester Routes

The Silver Route connects with the White Route. This runs from Sealand Road to Upton via Bache and The Countess of Chester Hospital. There is access at Deva Link to the Green and Brown routes, which give miles of off-road cycling along the Greenway and canal towpath. At Northgate Locks on the canal the Silver Route meets up with the Blue Route, which links together 8 routes connecting the outer districts of Chester to the city centre. The map below shows how the 11 coloured cycle routes link together.

Local Sustainable Transport Fund

Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council have secured funding from the Department For Transport (2012-15), to encourage more people to travel in a sustainable way to and from work. Focussing primarily on Chester, Ellesmere Port and the surrounding areas. Cycling plays a major role in the LSTF programme, so for ideas about how you can get involved please contact the LSTF team on the contact details overleaf.

Cycling Tips

The cycle paths, roads, bridleways and towpaths which make up the cycle routes in Chester are open to everyone.

Please follow these simple cycling tips to ensure your journeys are safe and enjoyable:

- On shared routes pedestrians may not be aware of your approach so be courteous, slow down, ring your bell and give them plenty of space.
- It is illegal to cycle on the footway unless it is specifically marked for cyclists.
- Cyclists should give way to pedestrians on shared paths.

Safety

Prepare in advance to keep safe when you are cycling.

- Wear reflective or fluorescent clothing for extra visibility.
- Use lights at night – front and rear.
- Wear a helmet which is a good fit.
- Keep your bike well serviced, check brakes, steering and tyres regularly.

Signs

- Silver Route Repeater Sign
- Cycle Lane
- Contra flow Cycle Lane
- National Cycle Network (NCN)
- Segregated route for use by pedal cycles & pedestrians only
- Shared route for use by pedal cycles & pedestrians only
- Cycle Parking
- No Cycling
- No Entry for all vehicles (including cycles)

Cycle Parking

There are also cycle storage lockers available for rental on a quarterly basis. These secure lockers can be found at the Wrexham Road and Boughton Heath Park and Ride Sites, as well as Princess Street, Gorse Stacks and Little Roodee in Chester City Centre. For more information on how to rent a locker, please call 01244973528 or email info@cyclechester.com.