

Travel Strategy: Key Updates for Managers

In February, we launched a brand new [Travel Plan: 2025-2030](#) aimed at promoting sustainable travel and affordable transportation options for our community. Important components of this strategy, such as our electric vehicle (EV) offer, have since been announced.

These are summarised below with key information for you to easily communicate these changes or schemes to your teams.

Changes to car parking charges will take effect from 30 May

A In February 2025, further details were provided regarding the University's new Travel Plan for 2025-2030, which aims to encourage more sustainable transportation options for our community while also ensuring fairness and affordability. As part of this update, changes to the car park charging policy will take effect from 30 May 2025, along with the introduction of a new Electric Vehicle (EV) charging tariff.

[Find out more](#)

Electric Vehicle (EV) parking charges, charging tariff, and salary sacrifice scheme

From the end of May we will also be implementing a [new charging tariff on EV charge points](#) at Cecil and Booth Street West car parks to help us address inefficient usage, extended charging sessions, and increased energy costs.

[Find out more](#)

Free Bus Trial from Manchester Victoria

Between Tuesday, 6 May and Monday, 30 June, we're trialling free travel on the 41 bus for all colleagues. Simply show your university ID to the driver at Manchester Victoria (Stop NU) and enjoy a free journey straight to campus. During the trial, the bus will:

- Be available any time of day during Bus 41 operating hours, Monday to Friday
- Provide easy access from Manchester Victoria to campus (and return)
- Be completely free – just show your university ID

Please note: You are able to get on or off the bus at any stop between Victoria and campus, as shown by [the red area in this map](#).

More information about this trial can be [found on StaffNet](#).

Sustainable Top Up Fund

Our Sustainable Travel Top Up Fund is available to support staff in choosing lower-emission transport options like trains or ferries instead of flights for business travel. The fund reimburses

the difference in cost to your department, making it easier to travel sustainably without stretching your budget.

To apply, simply complete the online form. Our finance team will then reimburse your department directly. Don't forget to book through Key Travel where possible to support carbon tracking, and ensure your plans align with the Business Travel Policy.

[For applications and more information click here.](#)

More information

For further information on how you can make the most of our new sustainable travel initiatives and offers, please visit our [Sustainable Travel pages](#).