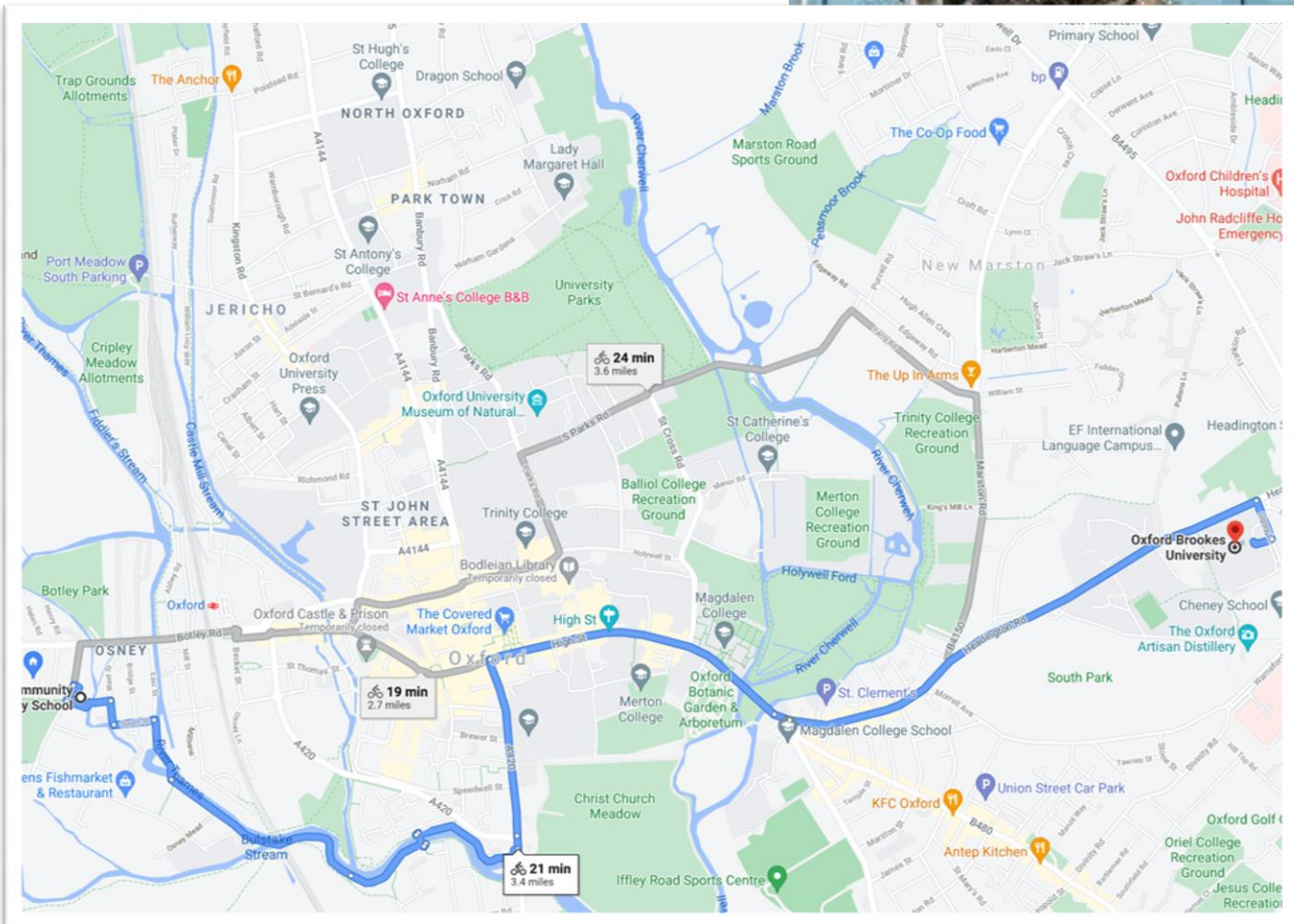
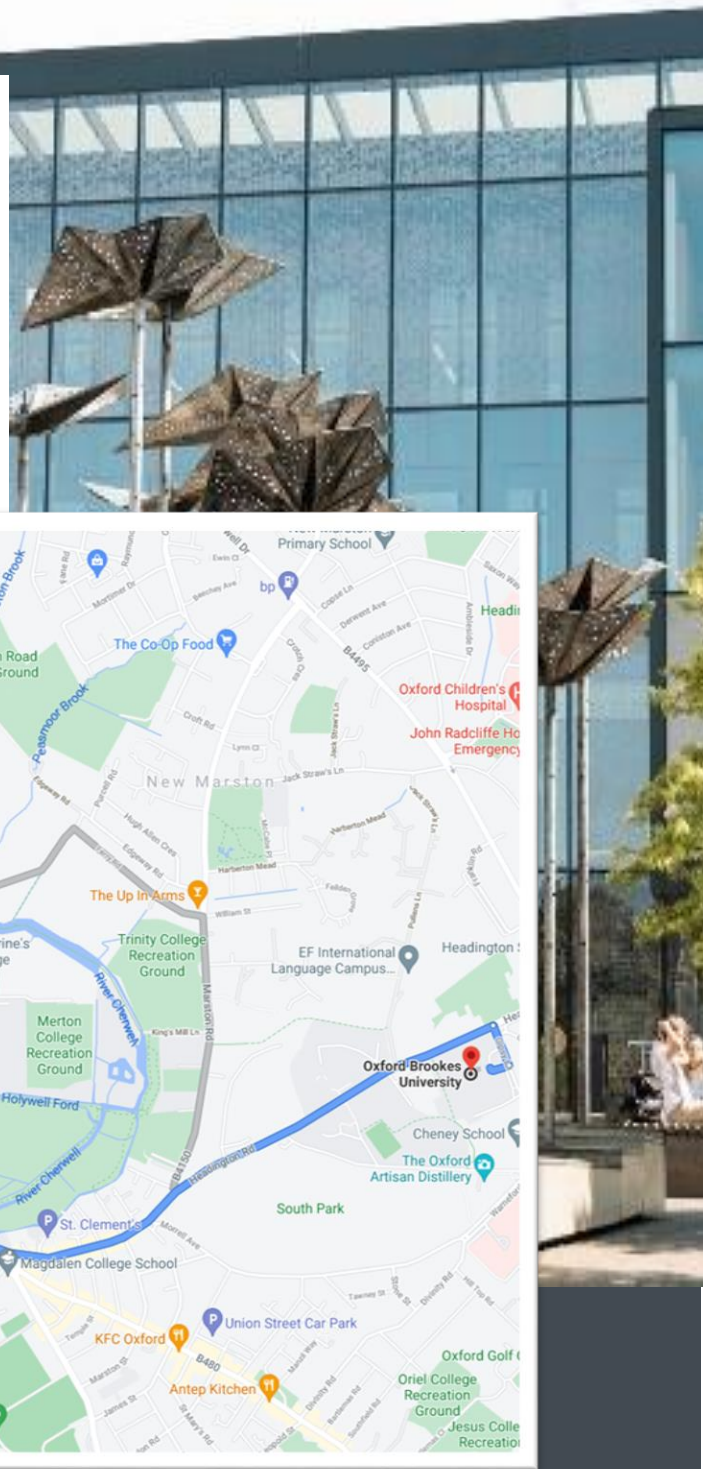


West Oxford to Headington



Cycling route

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Starting at West Oxford Primary School, this route goes from West Oxford to the Headington campus using the Thames towpath, St Aldate's and the High. While it is a little longer than the most direct route along the Botley Road and through the centre of town, it misses out a lot of the heaviest traffic and most hazardous junctions (including Frideswide Square) and is much pleasanter, going along the river accompanied by boats, ducks, geese and swans. Be aware that the towpath is shared with pedestrians, including children going to St Ebbe's primary school, and so a bell, and willingness to slow down on the bends, is helpful.

When going up Headington Hill by bike, there is a very wide pavement on the left if you decide you don't want to commit to cycling all the way up - make this decision early though before the pavement rises away from the road as the road goes through a deep cutting.