

# LIVING IN MAIDENHEAD

AN AREA GUIDE

**Maidenhead** is a large picturesque town in the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead (RBWM), which is located less than 30 miles from London. There is a lot on offer for everyone, from young professionals to families and retirees. The busy town offers plenty of local amenities, a strong sense of community and great transport links.

**Cookham** is a historic and idyllic village on the River Thames, north east of Maidenhead town centre. In 2011, The Daily Telegraph considered Cookham Britain's second richest village.

**White Waltham** is a charming village, west of Maidenhead town centre, much of the village is 'greenspace'. White Waltham is also home to White Waltham Airfield, an airfield best known for its history of pre-war flying training, war-time and post-war RAF use.

**Cox Green** is a large suburb of Maidenhead and is hugely popular with families, due to it being home to Lowbrook Academy, an Ofsted 'outstanding' school.

**Pinkney's Green** is a stunning, semi-rural village, north of Maidenhead town centre. The wooded Maidenhead Thicket is owned by the National Trust and is popular amongst dog walkers and those looking for a nice country walk.

**Bray** is a highly sought after area located just south east of Maidenhead town centre. Situated on the River Thames and with two of the five Michelin star restaurants in the UK, Bray is home to a highly affluent and wealthy population.



# **SCHOOLS**

Maidenhead offers a plethora of independent and state schools, many of which hold Ofsted's 'Outstanding' status.

The world renowned Eton College can also be found down the road, alumni include both Prince Harry and William, Bear Grylls and Alastair Heathcote.

Maidenhead's Ofsted 'Outstanding' Schools (data correct as of July 2019)

School		Status	Inspection Date
Boyn Hill C Of E School	Infant & Nursery	Outstanding	07/06/2013
Braywick Court School	Primary	Outstanding	08/06/2017
Furze Platt Junior School	Junior	Outstanding	05/12/2018
Holy Trinity C Of E Primary School	Primary	Outstanding	08/10/2015
Holyport College	Secondary	Outstanding	18/05/2017
Lowbrook Academy	Primary	Outstanding	29/01/2008
Newlands Girls School	Secondary	Outstanding	10/10/2018
Oldfield Primary School	Primary	Outstanding	01/10/2014
St Edmund Campion Catholic Primary	Primary	Outstanding	24/09/2009
St Luke's C Of E Primary School	Primary	Outstanding	12/10/2017
Waltham St Lawrence Primary School	Primary	Outstanding	31/01/2017

Also within the Maidenhead area, you'll find Berkshire College of Agriculture, a further education college. The college is popular amongst students wanting to study more hands-on subjects such as Animal Management, Public Services and much more.

# LOCAL AMENITIES

Living in Maidenhead, there's something for everyone...

#### **SHOPPING**

If you're a bit of a shopaholic, Nicholson's Shopping Centre and Maidenhead's High Street house a selection of popular chain stores as well as some quirky independent shops. The town centre is also home to a Sainsbury's Superstore.

#### **LEISURE FACILITIES**

Looking for somewhere to keep the little ones busy or stay in shape yourself? The Magnet Leisure Centre is located north of Kidwells Park and offers gym and swim facilities as well as holding events throughout the year. There are also sports pitches available for hire within Kidwells Park.

Sport is a huge part of the Maidenhead community with a variety of local sports clubs including Maidenhead United FC, Maidenhead Rugby Club, a selection of cricket clubs and Maidenhead Rowing Club. Plus, Bird Hills Golf Club is located a short distance from the town centre.





Maidenhead is a hot spot for commuters due to the selection of business parks locally and excellent road and rail links into Central London, High Wycombe, Reading and Slough. Maidenhead train station offers a direct and frequent link to London Paddington and is soon to benefit from Crossrail, meaning it'll take you just 39 minutes to get to Bond Street.

Train timings from Maidenhead train station (correct as of July 2019)

Maidenhead to London Paddington

25 - 48 minutes

Maidenhead to Reading

15 – 17 minutes

Maidenhead to Slough

7 – 11 minutes

Maidenhead to Windsor & Eton Central

19 - 24 minutes (1 change)

SOUTH WEST TRAINS

# DEVELOPMENT/ REGENERATION

## **CROSSRAIL IS COMING TO MAIDENHEAD**

When the Crossrail work is complete, four Elizabeth line trains an hour (six an hour at peak times) will allow passengers to travel right through central London without having to change trains. The train station will also benefit from a number of significant improvements in beforehand, such as:

- Redeveloped main ticket office
- Improved ticket hall layout
- New platform canopies & platform extensions
- New lift to platform 1

#### THE LANDING – COMING SOON

Maidenhead town centre is also undergoing a huge regeneration project on a site that is within walking distance of Maidenhead train station. In 2018, following an extensive public engagement programme, a planning application was approved for:

- Over 400 homes
- Approx. 100,000 sq. ft. of office space
- Approx. 40,000 sq. ft. of ground floor retail/leisure space
- Extensive new public area

Demolition of the existing buildings started in early 2019. Extending to some 3.5 acres, the proposed scheme will transform this part of the town with a truly 'mixed use' development around a new public square.

# **HOUSE PRICES**

Living in Maidenhead, you'll want to know what's happening in the local property market. When you've got any property questions, our door is always open but at the very least, we think you should know the average house prices across the area.

(Data correct as of July 2019)





# OTHER INFORMATION

## LOCAL MP

Maidenhead's Conservative Party has been represented by Theresa May since it was created in 1997. She then went on to become the UK's Prime Minister on 13th July 2016, succeeding David Cameron.

# PROSPECT FACT

Prospect of Maidenhead opened in 2013 as the only estate agency on the High Street, and continues to be so today.

#### **FUN FACTS ABOUT MAIDENHEAD**

Maidenhead Clock Tower, outside the train station, was built for Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee.

Maidenhead United's ground, York Road, is the oldest football ground in the world continuously used by the same team.

The Spice Girls shared a house on Boyn Hill Road in Maidenhead for a year prior to their rise to fame.

## **TOP TIPS**

If you're a resident of RBWM, you can get an Advantage Card which means you'll receive discounted parking in selected car parks as well as other great benefits.

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