Visiting Students Arrival and Registration

This document gives you the dates and times you should arrive at College.

Further information regarding registration will be sent to you in due course.

Arriving at the College

You should have been contacted by email by Rachael Dean regarding your arrival at Pembroke and to confirm arrangements for your period of self-isolation. If you have any questions about your self-isolation, please refer to this document or if you cannot find the answer to your question in the document contact Rachael on bookings@pmb.ox.ac.uk.

On the day of your arrival, please contact the Lodge on 01864 276444 when you are one hour away to advise us of a more accurate arrival time.

When you arrive at Pembroke, please ensure you are wearing a face covering and enter at the Porters Lodge. There is hand sanitiser dispenser outside the Lodge which you should use and one of our Porters will show you to your room where your pack containing your room licence agreement, your room keys and your College access card will be waiting for you.

Directions to Pembroke:

If you are arriving from outside the UK please do read the attached guidance.

If arriving by car you will probably enter Oxford along either A420 Botley Road/Oxpens Road or A4144 Abingdon Road; in either case take care to follow the various traffic restrictions and one-way signs, which can be quite confusing. For maps click here.

Approaching along Abingdon Road (A4144) from the South and West (via the Ring Road).

After crossing Folly Bridge you will be on St Aldates but will now be taken on a slightly circuitous route by the City’s traffic system. You must turn left onto Thames Street and then right at the first traffic lights onto Speedwell Street, turning immediately right again (still Speedwell Street). At the end of Speedwell Street turn left, rejoining St Aldates. As
you reach the very obvious landmark of Christ Church College’s ‘Tom Tower’ on the right, Pembroke is (rather less ostentatiously) on your left and you should turn immediately left into Pembroke Square. Please watch carefully for pedestrians.

Approaching along Botley Road (A420) from the East and North (via the Ring Road).

After going under the railway bridge, go straight over the first mini-roundabout, then right at the second mini-roundabout, and right again at the final mini-roundabout immediately afterwards – following signs to the ice rink and Westgate Shopping Centre helps. This road turns into Oxpens Road and then becomes Thames Street. Take note of signs for the Westgate car park (left) or Oxpens car park (right – just before the ice rink) as we suggest you park at one of these car parks after dropping belongings at the College. At the second set of traffic lights (not including pedestrian crossings) turn left onto Speedwell Street, and then immediately right (still Speedwell Street). At the end of Speedwell Street turn left, onto St Aldates. As you reach the very obvious landmark of Christ Church College’s ‘Tom Tower’ on the right, Pembroke is (rather less ostentatiously) on your left and you should turn immediately left into Pembroke Square.

Nearby public car parks:

In Oxford parking can be tricky. There is NO on-street parking close to the College and the approach road to the College (Pembroke Square) is very narrow and quickly becomes congested on the day that Freshers arrive.

To ease matters a one-way system is put in place, where vehicles enter via Pembroke Square, unload in the North Quad and then exit via Beef Lane onto St Ebbes Street.

There are two public car parks nearby; the Westgate car park or the Oxpens car park, and both are about a ten-minute walk from the College:

Westgate car park: OX1 1TR

https://westgateoxford.co.uk/your-visit/getting-here

Oxpens car park: OX1 1RQ

https://www.oxford.gov.uk/oxpenscarpark