

Each card has a letter & number (for example **A3**) in the top right hand corner. It describes the **surface** and **slope** of the **most difficult** parts of the main route. With the map and text, this will help you to decide whether to do the whole route or just the easier sections. The bicycle symbol indicates all or part of the route is suitable for cycling.

## Surface Quality (in dry weather)

- A** - Smooth (tarmac, paving, concrete, etc.)
- B** - Quite Smooth (short grass, compacted earth/stone, etc.)
- C** - Uneven (worn grass, loose stone, some ruts, tree roots, etc.)
- D** - Rough (long grass, soft earth, sand, gravel, severe ruts, roots, etc.)



- Gentle (up to 1:20)



- Quite Gentle (up to 1:16)



- Fairly Steep (up to 1:12)



- Steep (up to 1:8)



- Very Steep (over 1:8)



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### Accessible Trails in North & West Leeds



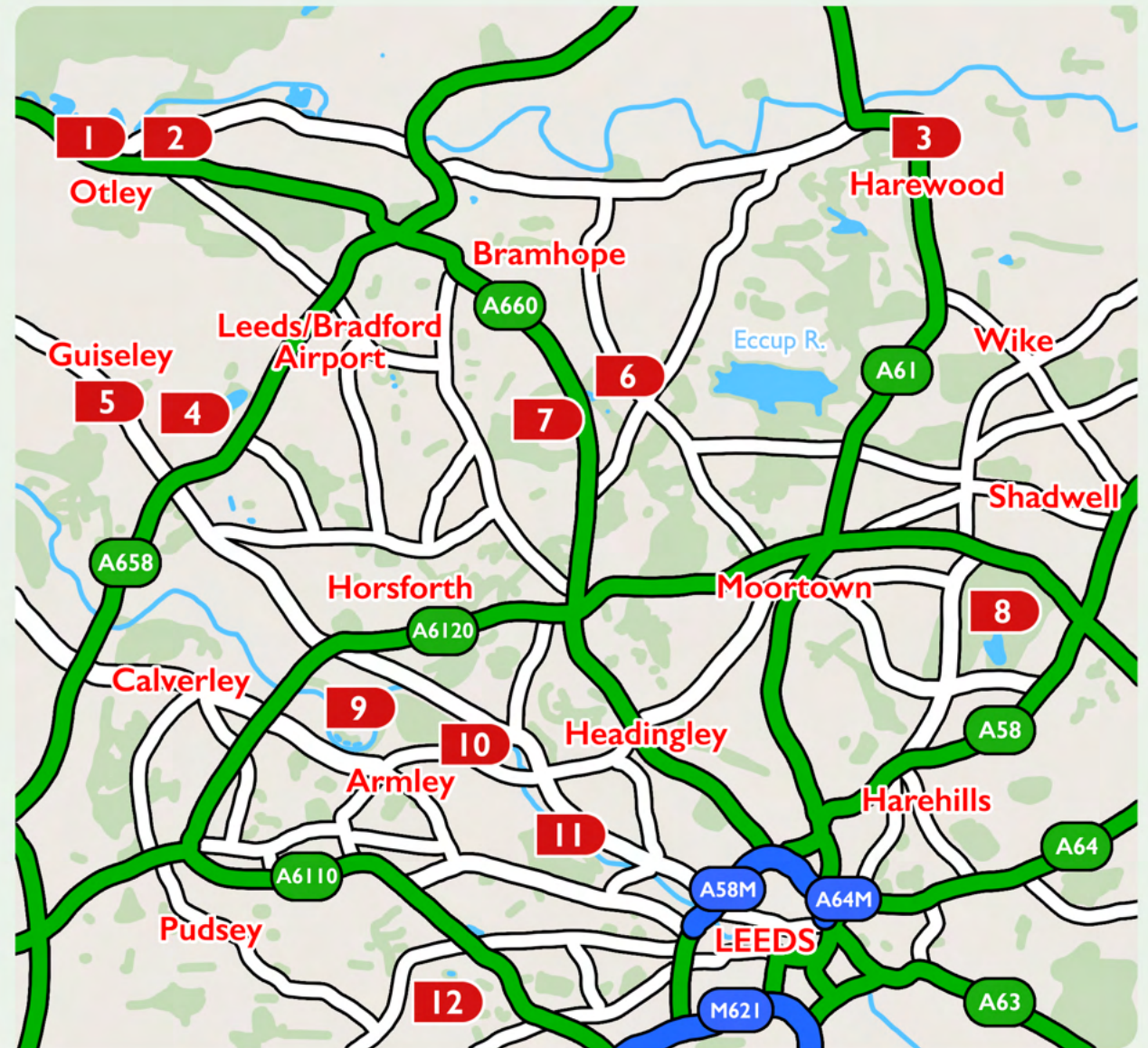
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## TRAIL CARD & MAP KEY

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|  | Suggested Route                                  |  | Viewpoint            |
|  | Alternative Route                                |  | Motorcycle Barrier   |
|  | Slope/Hill (Level)                               |  | Speed Humps          |
|  | Linked Trail                                     |  | Steps (and how many) |
|  | Suitable for Cycling                             |  | Café                 |
|  | Trail Start Point                                |  | Public House         |
|  | Parking  |  | Bench/Seat           |
|  | Information Board                                |  | Picnic Area          |
|  | Bus Stop   |  | Playground           |
|  | Accessible Toilet                                |  | Cattle Grid          |
|  | Gate Accessible to most Wheelchairs and Scooters |  | Trees/Wood           |
|  | Gate not Accessible to Wheelchairs               |  | Lake/Pond            |
|  | Caution  |  | Landmark Building    |



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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> Wharfemeadows Park          | <b>7</b> Breary Marsh           |
| <b>2</b> Gallows Hill Nature Reserve | <b>8</b> Roundhay Park          |
| <b>3</b> Harewood Deer Park          | <b>9</b> Rodley Nature Reserve  |
| <b>4</b> Tarnfield Dam (Yeadon Tarn) | <b>10</b> Leeds-Liverpool Canal |
| <b>5</b> The Airborough Greenway     | <b>11</b> Kirkstall Abbey       |
| <b>6</b> Golden Acre Park            | <b>12</b> Farnley Hall Park     |



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**i** **Brief Description:** This 1.2 mile (1.6km) trail follows the River Wharfe through ornamental gardens, open parkland and woodland close to the centre of Otley. It boasts a variety of natural features and activities for children.

**♿** **Access and Facilities:** 2 Blue Badge Parking Bays, Accessible Toilet (RADAR key), open during café opening hours. The park has Open Access at all times.

**🔍** **Features of Interest:** Benches, Bowling Green, Café, Children's Playground, Ornamental Gardens, Outdoor Gym, Skate Park, Sports Pitches, Tennis Courts, Weir, Woodland.

**📍** **Location:** The main car park is situated off Farnley Lane, Otley, LS21 2BD. **What3Words:** melons.unusable.haircuts

**🚌** **Public Transport:** The 965 bus operates a service from Otley Bus Station to Wharfedale Hospital. It stops outside the entrance to the park on Farnley Lane.





**Route Details:** The route around the park is on wide, tarmac paths (A). Some of the paths at the top of the park are rutted by tree roots under the tarmac (C), though these can be avoided. There are a few steep inclines to and from the riverside path (4) and a short incline to and from the café and toilets (3).







**Brief Description:** Gallows Hill Nature Reserve is a haven for wildlife on the outskirts of Otley. This 1 mile (1.6km) trail offers a loop around the reserve, including a walk along a wooded section of the River Wharfe.



**Access and Facilities:** Free parking. Nearest Accessible Toilet is at Stephen Smith's Garden Centre on Pool Road.



**Features of Interest:** Benches, Bird Watching, Information Boards, Orchard, Ponds, Pond Dipping, River, Wildlife, Woodland.



**Location:** The car park for the reserve is situated at the bottom of Gallows Hill, just off Pool Road, Otley, LS21 1HL. There is a 2m height barrier at the entrance.

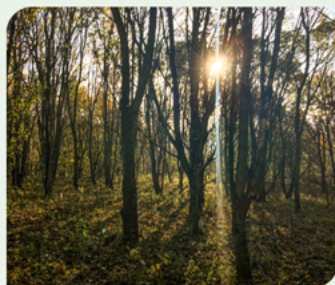
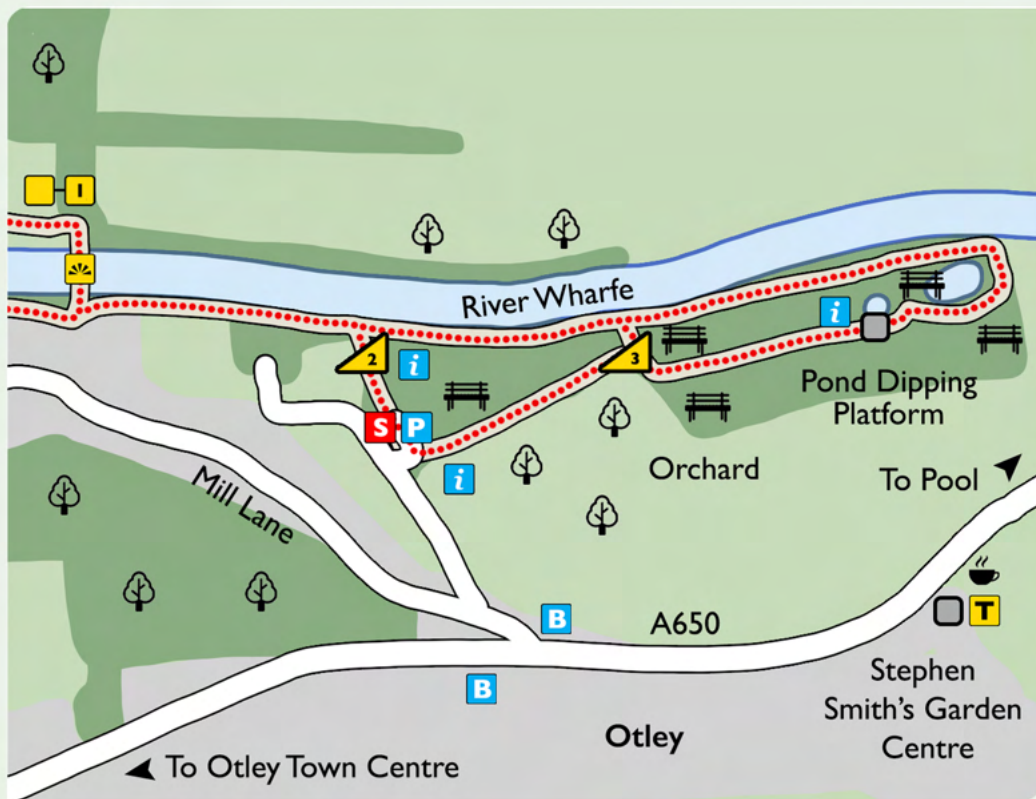
**What3Words:** factually.prefix.fuses.



**Public Transport:** Buses X52 between Otley and Harrogate, 62 to the Airport, 923 between Otley and Wetherby and 940 to Holt Park all stop at the top of Gallows Hill on Pool Road, 200m from the start of the trail.



**Route Details:** The paths around the reserve are made of crushed stone (B). There are some paths off the main route which are made of compacted mud and grass (C). There are two notable gradients, one up to the river bank from the car park (2), and the other up to the main loop around the reserve (3). Paths can be narrow in places but there are areas to pass.







**i** **Brief Description:** At just under 2 miles (3.2km), this route skirts the grounds of the grand Harewood House and follows the ridge of the deer park through beautiful woodland, which opens out to provide amazing views.

**♿** **Access and Facilities:** 2 Blue Badge Parking Bays, Accessible Toilet, both situated at the Muddy Boots Café at the start of the trail.

**🔍** **Features of Interest:** Bench, Café, Deer, Red Kites, Spectacular Views, Woodland.

**📍** **Location:** The trail starts from the Muddy Boots Café on Church Lane, Harewood, LS17 9LJ. Please note; parking can be limited at busy periods.

**What3Words:** curious.interviewer.gains.

**🚌** **Public Transport:** Bus 36 between Leeds, Harrogate and Ripon and 923 between Wetherby and Otley both stop in Harewood village, a short walk from the start point.



**Route Details:** This is an out and back route along a wide tarmac path (A). There is a cattle grid which can be avoided via an accessible gate. There is also a steep gradient at the far end of the route (5) which can also be avoided by turning back at the bench overlooking the valley. Caution should be taken, as estate vehicles often use this route and it is open to cyclists and horse riders.







**i** **Brief Description:** A short 0.75 mile, (1.2km) walk around Tarnfield Dam, known locally as Yeadon Tarn. The walk has great waterside views and is also a good place for spotting aeroplanes at nearby Leeds/Bradford Airport.

**♿** **Access and Facilities:** 3 Blue Badge Parking Bays, Accessible Toilet (RADAR key).

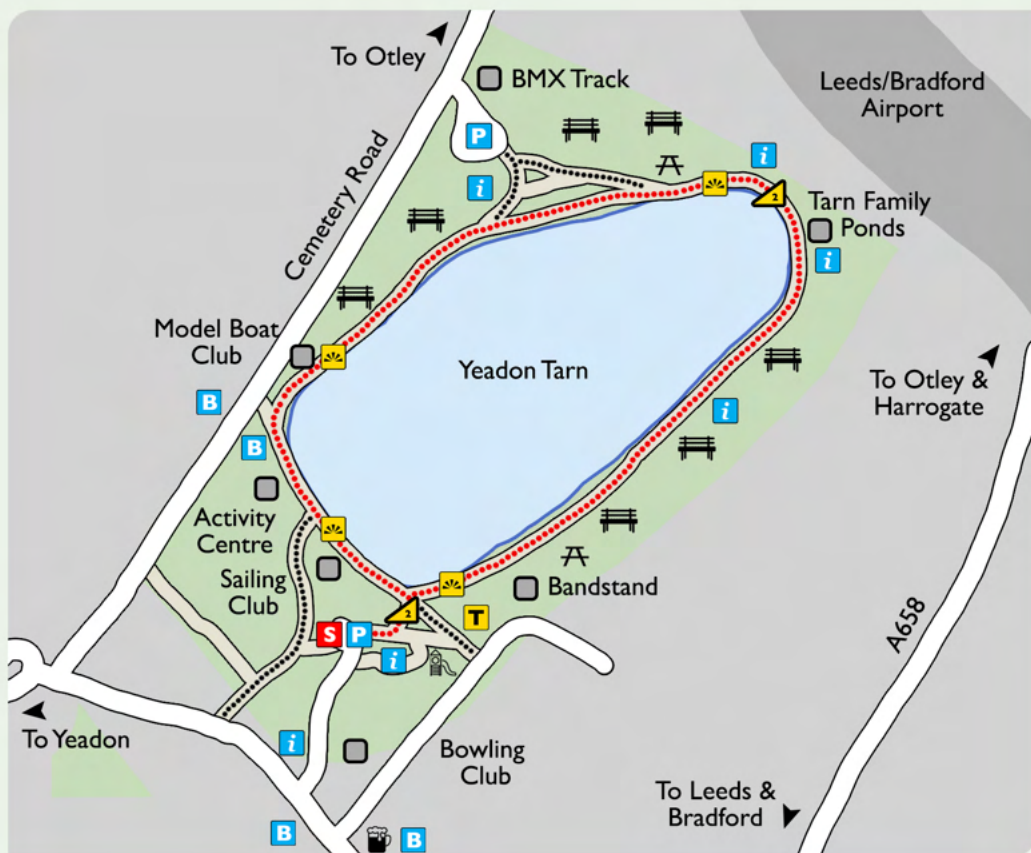
**Q** **Features of Interest:** Activity Centre, Bandstand, Benches, BMX Track, Children's Playground, Conservation Area, Fishing, Ice Cream Van (Seasonal), Model Boat Club, Sailing Club, Views of the Airport, Wildlife Watching.

**📍** **Location:** Off High Street, Yeadon, Leeds, LS19 7TB.  
**What3Words:** other.repay.voice.

**🚌** **Public Transport:** The A3, 27 and 34 operate regular services from Leeds, Guiseley, Otley and Bradford and stop at the White Swan Pub, adjacent to the tarn.



**Route Details:** The route around Yeadon Tarn is flat throughout and on tarmac paths (A1). There is a slight slope from the car park to the waterside path and sailing platform (2). There are benches positioned at regular intervals around the dam and picnic benches opposite the bandstand and at the airport end of the tarn.







**Public Transport:** The A3, 33 and 966 buses that run between Leeds, Bradford and Otley stop at the top of Ghyll Royd. The A2, A3 27, 33 and 966 between Leeds, Bradford, the airport and Otley all stop on Kirk Lane close to the entrance to Engine Fields at the other end of the trail.



**Route Details:** The majority of the trail is on flat, wide tarmac paths (A). Some sections are rutted due to tree roots under the tarmac (C). The old railway line path is relatively flat although there are some short, steeper sections (3). The route through Engine Fields is on paths made of crushed stone (B) although they are narrow at times and prone to mud during the winter months and after heavy rain (C). The whole route, from one end to the other and back, is 2.2 miles (3.5km).



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## The Aireborough Greenway

C3



**Brief Description:** This hidden trail follows the old railway line path between Guiseley and Yeadon, passing through a wooded valley and under interesting bridges. The trail ends at Engine Fields, a little-known nature reserve where a stream links a series of mill ponds. It is a perfect place for a picnic or a spot of bird watching.



**Access and Facilities:** Nearest Accessible Toilet is at Morrisons Supermarket in Yeadon. Open Access at all times.



**Features of Interest:** Benches, Bird Watching, Bridges Mill Ponds, Nature Reserves, Viewpoints, Wildlife, Woodland.



**Location:** There is parking at the end of Ghyll Royd, behind Westside Retail Park in Guiseley, LS19 6LT. There are other access points along the route. Please see the map for further details. **What3Words:** tight.chefs.asks.









**Brief Description:** A 0.5 mile (0.8km) route around the park and lake with woodland, wildlife viewing platforms and ornamental gardens.



**Access and Facilities:** 6 Blue Badge Bays, Accessible Toilet (RADAR key). Motorised Scooter Hire (from the Café), booking before 10am is essential; call 0113 261 3064. The park has Open Access at all times.



**Features of Interest:** Accessible Hide at Adel Dam Nature Reserve, Benches, Bird Viewing & Feeding Pontoon, Café, Information Boards, Lake, Nature Trail, Ornamental Gardens, Parkland, Picnic Area, Plant Shop, Rare Plant Collections, Shelters, Viewpoints, Wildlife Watching.



**Location:** The main, accessible car park can be found on Otley Road, Bramhope, Leeds, LS16 8BQ.  
**What3Words:** space.cafe.video.



**Public Transport:** The X84 and 85 run regular services between Otley, Ilkley, Pool and Leeds, both of which stop close to the entrance to the park. It is advisable to use the pedestrian tunnel at the end of the car park if alighting northbound as the road is very busy.



**Route Details:** The paths throughout the park are fairly level although there is a short slope from the café and toilets (3). The path to and from the Arthington Road Car Park is steep in places (4) and uneven (C). All paths are made from a combination of tarmac, near to the café and crushed stone, throughout the rest of the park. Some sections are rutted due to water damage (C). Paths can get muddy and puddles can form in wet conditions.







**i** **Brief Description:** This Site of Special Scientific Interest, adjacent to Golden Acre Park (see card 6), is a wooded wetland, Local Nature Reserve with plenty of wildlife to spot. The 1.4 mile (2.2km) route is a pleasant stroll through woodland to Paul's Pond.



**Access and Facilities:** 6 Blue Badge Parking Bays, Accessible Toilets in Golden Acre Park. Motorised scooter hire is available from the café in Golden Acre Park. Booking before 10am is essential; call 0113 261 3064. The site has Open Access at all times.



**Features of Interest:** Accessible Fishing Platforms, Ancient Woodland, Bird Watching, Café (in Golden Acre Park), Information Boards, Paul's Pond, Wetland Habitat.



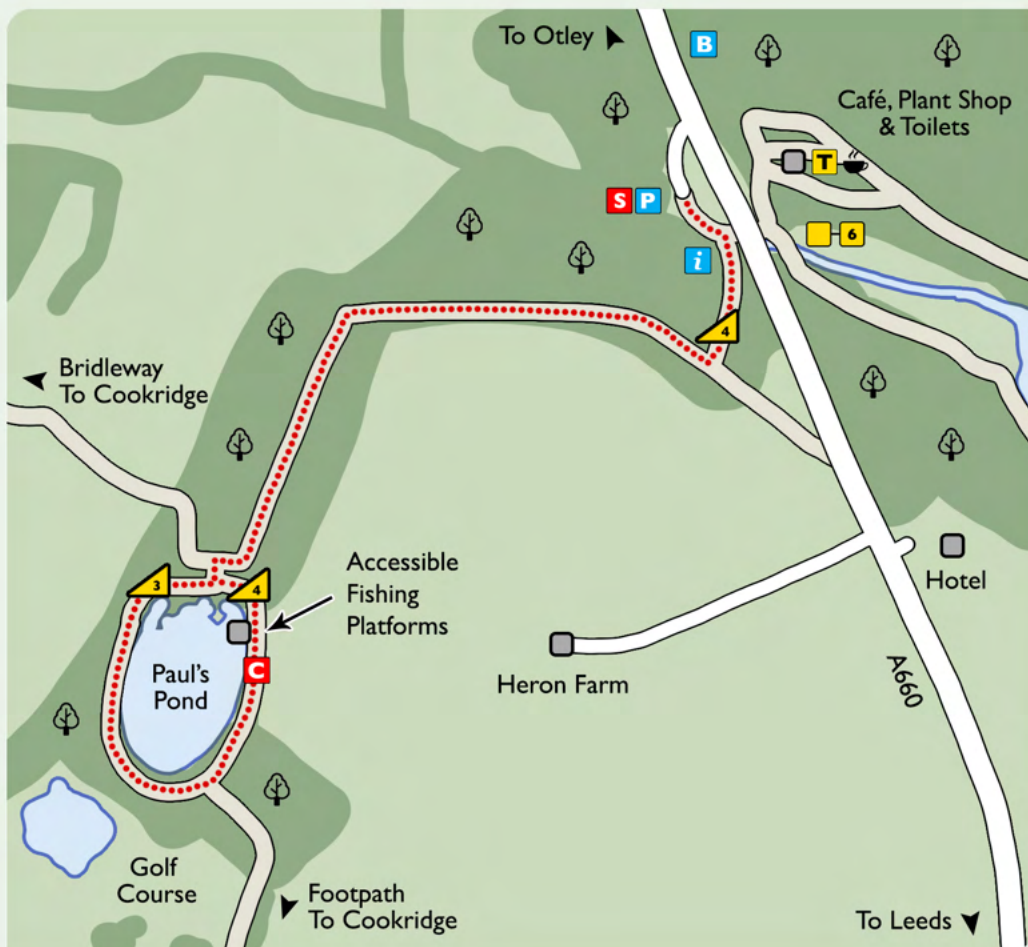
**Location:** Otley Road, Bramhope, Leeds, LS16 8BQ.  
**What3Words:** space.cafe.video.



**Public Transport:** The X84 and 85 run regular services between Otley, Ilkley, Pool and Leeds, both of which stop close to the entrance to the park. It is advisable to use the pedestrian tunnel through Golden Acre Park if alighting southbound as the road is very busy.



**Route Details:** The route is made of compacted, crushed stone with some uneven sections (C). There is a section with large stones around Paul's Pond which may be inaccessible to some wheelchair users, marked with the 'C' symbol on the map. Although mainly level throughout, there is a short steep incline from the car park and up to the pond (4).







**Public Transport:** Bus numbers 2 and 12 operate a regular service to Princes Avenue, which runs down the western side of the park, from Leeds, Middleton and the White Rose Shopping Centre.



**Route Details:** There are multiple routes to choose from around the park, the recommended route is along wide, tarmac paths with one steep incline (A4). The path around the lake is made of crushed stone and gets very muddy during or after rain (D). There is step-free access to all cafés, Tropical World, Canal Gardens and the bandstands.



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## Roundhay Park

D4



**Brief Description:** Roundhay Park is the largest area of parkland in Leeds. With formal gardens, lakes and lovely views, it is a countryside haven in the city.



**Access and Facilities:** 7 Blue Badge Parking Bays, Accessible Toilets (RADAR key) at the Visitor Centre, Tropical World and the Lakeside Café. Mobility Scooters are available to hire; call 0113 214 5715 to book.



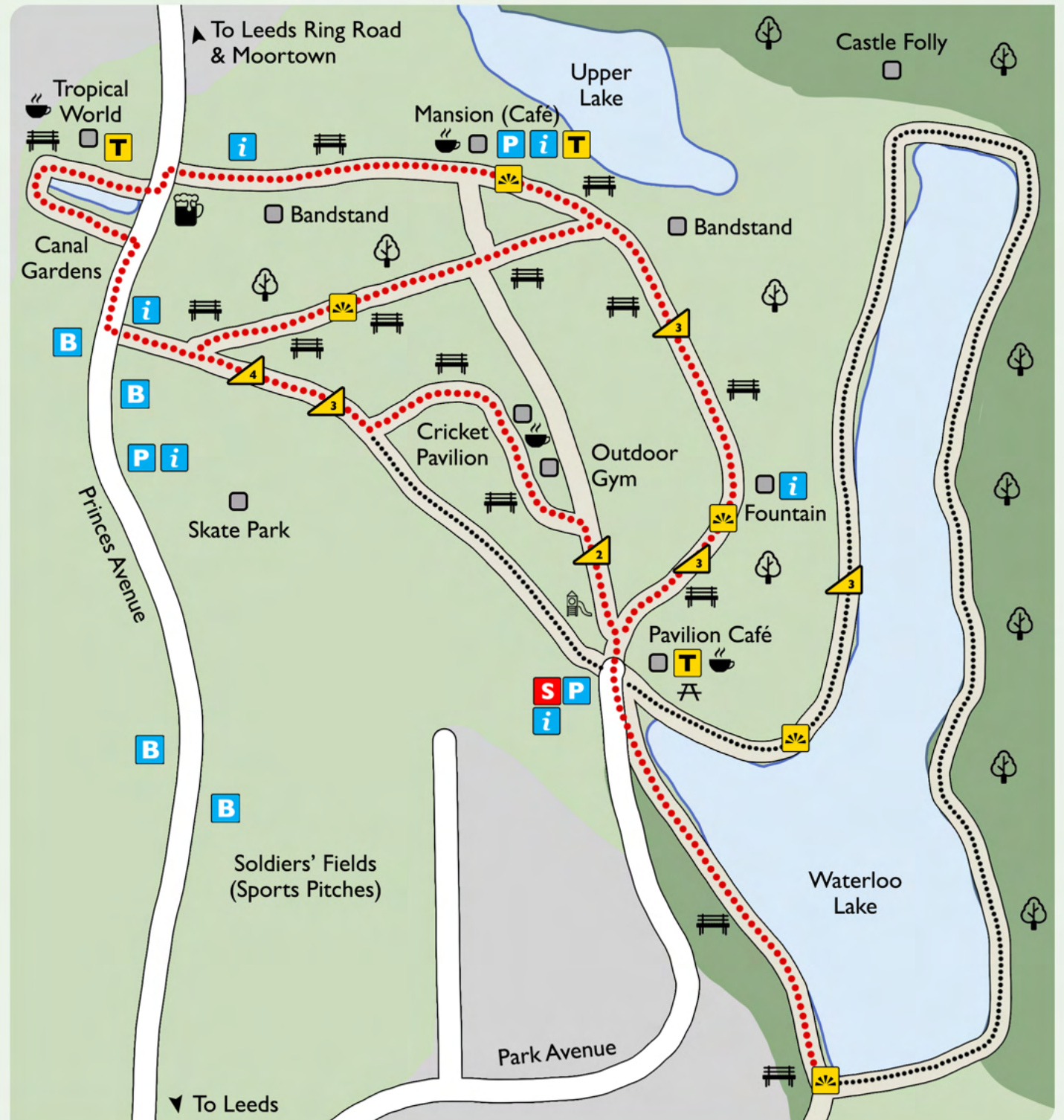
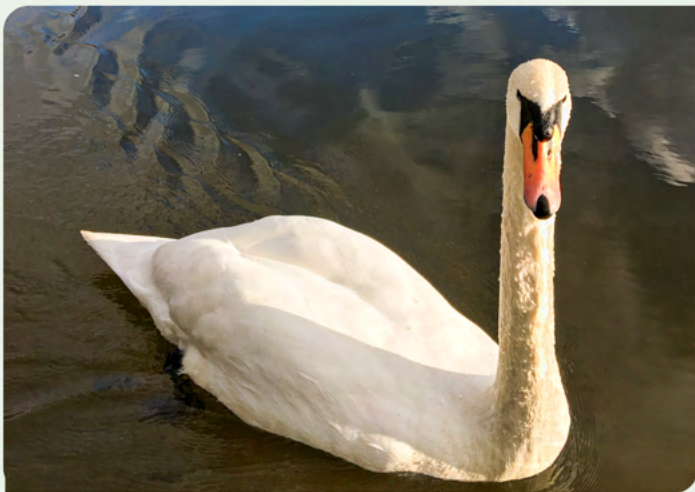
**Features of Interest:** Bandstands, Benches, Bird Watching, Cafés, Castle Folly, Cricket Ground, Cycle Parking, Formal Gardens, Fountains, Lakes, Outdoor Gym, Picnic Areas, Playground, Skate Park, Sports Pitches, Trees, Tropical World.



**Location:** The main car park is situated at the end of Park Avenue, Roundhay, LS8 2JL.

**What3Words:** glass.elder.reject.









**i** **Brief Description:** Rodley Nature Reserve sits in a meander of the River Aire. As well as offering plenty of opportunities to spot a variety of wildlife, from kingfishers to otters, it also offers a pleasant 0.93 mile (1.5km) walk.

**♿** **Access and Facilities:** Accessible Car Park, follow the main access track past the car park on the left to the Yorkshire Water Pumping Station at the end of the road. Accessible Toilet.

**🔍** **Features of Interest:** Accessible Bird Hides, Benches, Café & Visitor Centre, Dragonfly Ponds, Information Boards, Meadows, Picnic Areas, Pond Dipping, Reedbed Habitat, Riverside Walk, Wildlife Watching.

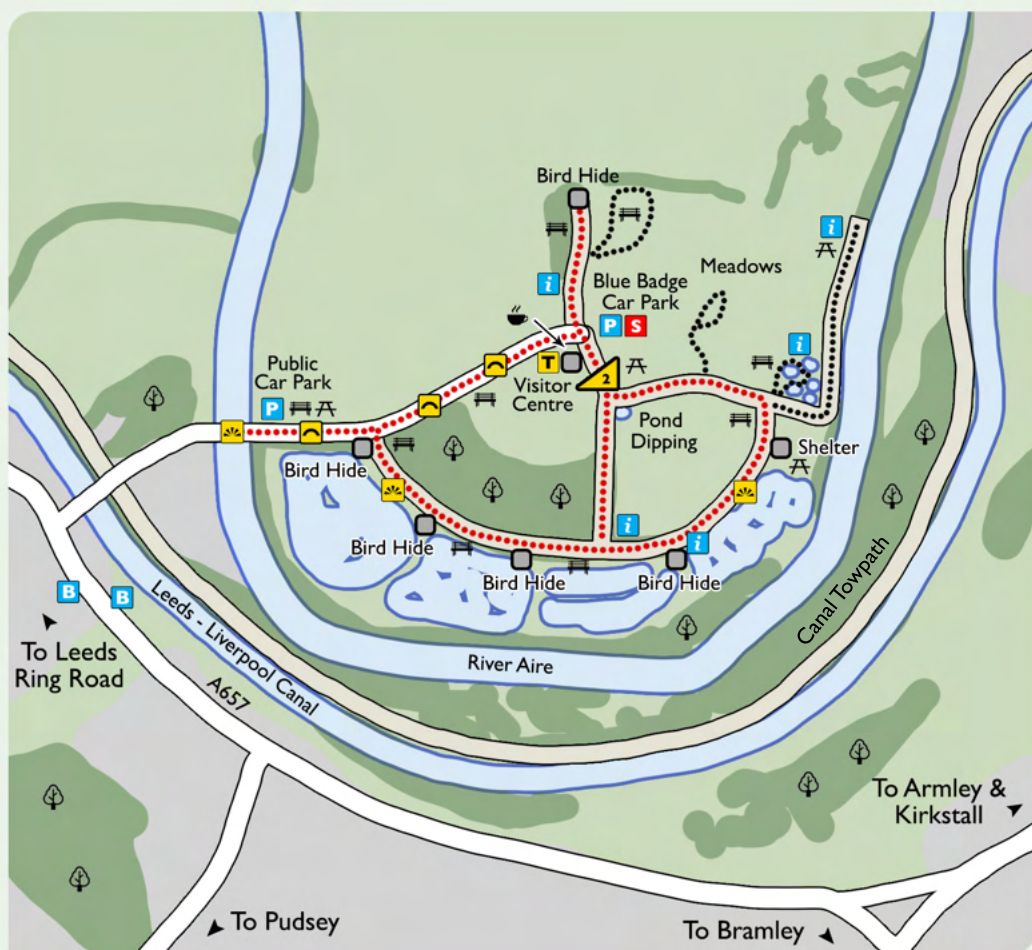
**📍** **Location:** The reserve is located on Moss Bridge Road, off the A657, Rodley, Leeds, LS13 1HP. Follow the brown tourist signs. **What3Words:** boot.round.dinner.



**Public Transport:** The following buses all stop within 100m of Moss Bridge Road, 9 (Horsforth ring road bus), 60 between Keighley, Leeds and the Airport, 80 Farnley to Pudsey and 86 Farnley and Middleton to Rodley.



**Route Details:** Paths around the reserve are made of a combination of tarmac, compacted stone, mud and bark chippings (C). The reserve is mainly flat, with a short gradient down from the Visitor Centre (2). Paths are at least 1.5m wide throughout. All of the main hides have wheelchair accessible viewing bays.







**Public Transport:** Bus numbers 9 between The White Rose Centre and Horsforth and 9A between Seacroft and Horsforth stop on the ring road, 100m from the canal. Bus number 30 between Horsforth, Horsforth Vale and Pudsey stops on Calverley Lane, 500m from the trail.



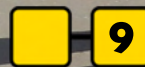
**Route Details:** The route is level throughout, and the majority of paths are made of compacted stone (B). There is a short section of the route at Calverley Bridge which is tarmac (A). There are some sections of the towpath that are liable to accumulate mud and puddles during or after wet weather. Please also be aware of ice during the winter months. All paths are at least 1.5m wide along the whole route. There is one accessible motorcycle deterrent close to the start of the trail.



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## Leeds - Liverpool Canal

C3



**Brief Description:** The Leeds to Liverpool Canal offers everything from a gentle stroll to a longer cycling trail. The flat, 4.5 mile (7.2km) out and back section featured on this card runs between Calverley and Apperley Bridge. The route can be shortened by turning back at any point, or extended towards Leeds, Bingley and beyond.



**Access and Facilities:** Free parking at Calverley Bridge. Nearest accessible toilet is at Sainsbury's Supermarket in Greengates.



**Features of Interest:** Benches, Bird Watching, Conservation Area, Fishing, Marina, Picnic Area, Railway Pub, River Aire, Rodley Nature Reserve (see route 9), Swing Bridges, The Tiny Tea Room, Wildlife, Woodland.



**Location:** Parking is recommended on Calverley Bridge, just off the Leeds outer ring road (A6120), LS13 1NF.  
**What3Words:** leader.judge.care.







**i** **Brief Description:** This ruined Cistercian Monastery stands proudly on the banks of the River Aire. The site is not only of historical importance, this 0.93 mile, (1.5km) route also takes in beautiful, natural scenery and riverside views.



**Access and Facilities:** 4 Blue Badge Parking Bays, Accessible Toilets, Changing Places Toilet, Induction Loop. A wheelchair can be borrowed from the Visitor Centre; call 0113 378 4079 in advance for availability.



**Features of Interest:** Abbey Ruins, Abbey House Museum, Benches, Bowling Green, Café, Children's Playground, Flower Beds, Gift Shop, Information Boards, Riverside Views, Tennis Courts, Visitor Centre, Weir, Wildflowers.



**Location:** Car parking for the Abbey and Museum is situated on Vesper Lane, just off the A65, Kirkstall, Leeds, LS5 3EH. **What3Words:** direct.kick.device.

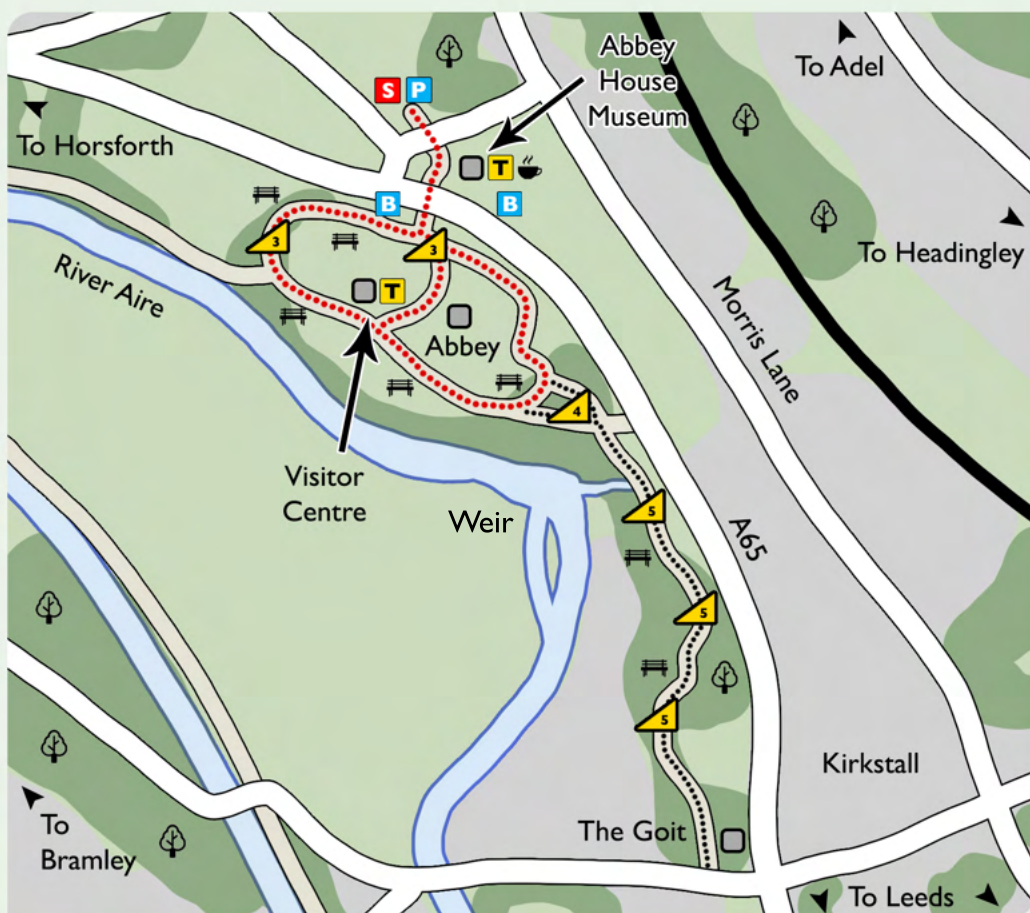




**Public Transport:** The A1 Flyer bus between Leeds and the Airport, 33 bus between Leeds and Yeadon and 34 between Leeds and Guiseley all stop outside the main entrance to the abbey grounds.



**Route Details:** The paths around the abbey are made of tarmac (A) some of which are liable to flooding during or after wet weather. The recommended route has a few slight gradients (3). The route from the abbey to 'The Goit' is very undulating with some steep sections (5). Paths around the abbey are at least 1.5m wide. The path to 'The Goit' is 0.5m wide.







**Brief Description:** This 1 mile (1.6km) trail follows paths through the open fields and ancient woodland of Farnley Hall Park, offering a range of activities all year round.



**Access and Facilities:** Free Parking. Nearest Accessible Toilet is at Tong Garden Centre on Tong Lane.



**Features of Interest:** Benches, Children's Playground, Fish Pond, Flower Beds, Formal Gardens, Information Boards, Open Grassland, Picnic Area, Sports Pitches, Woodland Paths.



**Location:** Farnley Hall Park is situated off Hall Lane, Farnley, Leeds, LS12 5HA.

**What3Words:** behave.nurse.ranked.



**Public Transport:** The 15 bus between Cross Green and Farnley and the 81 between Leeds and Pudsey both run regular services that stop on Hall Lane, less than 100m from the entrance to the park.



**Route Details:** Paths around the park are made of compacted earth and stone (C). All paths are at least 0.5m wide. Be aware of the speed humps on the main track to the hall. The path around the fish pond is not recommended for wheelchair users as it is severely rutted in places, although there is step-free access via Butt Lane.

