



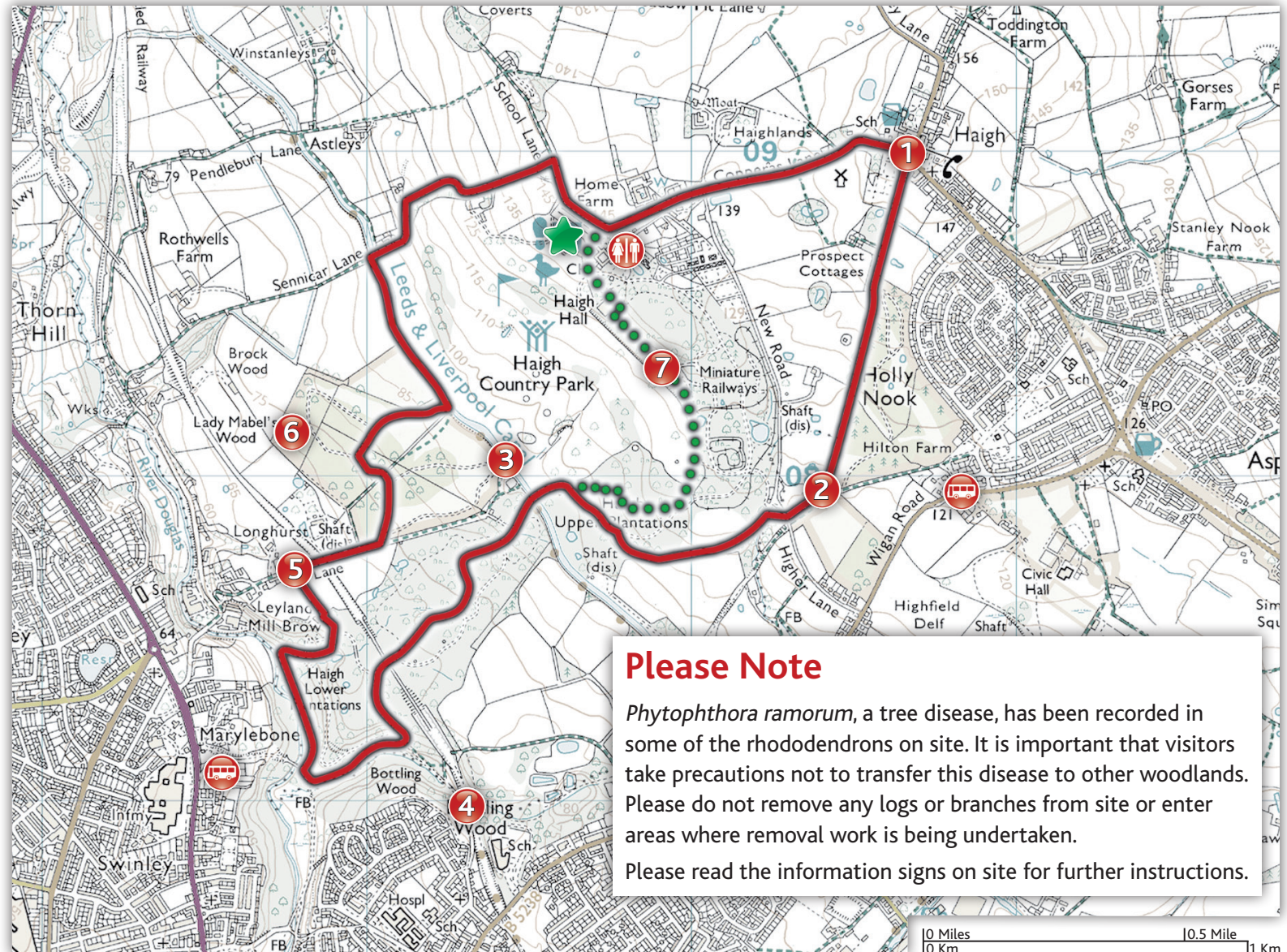


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Jubilee Legacy Walks

This walk is one of a series of fifteen Jubilee Legacy Walks designed to celebrate the richness and diversity of Wigan Borough's green space, and provide a lasting reminder of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations of 2012. Walking is a great way to improve your physical health and mental wellbeing - aim for 150 minutes per week and you'll soon notice the difference!





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WALK DESCRIPTION

Haigh Hall Country Park is full of historic features and woodland habitats. This walk follows a circuit around and through the Park, with options to take a detour and discover other features.

ACCESSIBILITY

Most of the route is on hard surfaces, but one or two short sections are rutted (such as Sennicar Lane) or narrow. Alternative routes to avoid these sections are indicated. Limited access for wheelchairs, prams & cycles.

TOILETS

There are public toilets located at the Stables Block, along with an Information Centre.

START POINT

Car park available at Haigh Country Park, Copperas Lane, Haigh WN2 1PE (small charge)

BUS STOPS

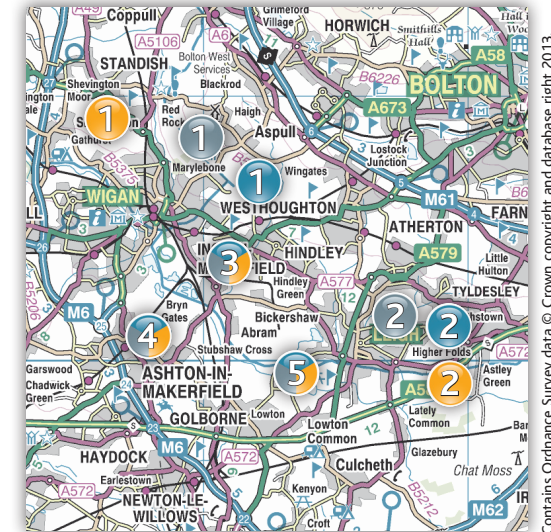
Bus services run through Haigh village to the north and stop at the Plantation Gates to the south.

POINTS OF INTEREST

1 Haigh village is small but with a couple of pubs and a food shop. In the fields just south of the village the old windpump (a windmill specifically mills oats, wheat, etc) pumped water from the adjacent reservoir to the brewery which was situated close to the Balcarres Arms pub and St Davids Church (which has a graveyard with some really interesting gravestones and well worth a visit).

- 2** The route crosses the road close to a hump backed bridge so be wary of traffic as it comes over the crest.
- 3** The canal is the Leeds Liverpool canal and connects to Wigan via Top Locks, just south of the estate.
- 4** Following the route towards the plantations, the southern part of the plantations contain ancient woodland named Bottling Wood and other historic industrial remains hidden in the vegetation.
- 5** The Plantation Gates form the southern entry point to the estate. The two small lodge buildings were once inhabited. Steep steps lead out of the woods or keep to the main path and rejoin the road at the lodge.
- 6** Lady Mabel's Wood is a new plantation.
- 7** An alternative route for disabled users avoids the rough surfaces and steep inclines by rejoining the Main Drive back to the Hall and Stables.

OTHER ROUTES



Walk Locations

- 1** Borsdane, Standish and Haigh
- 2** Gin Pit, Tyldesley and Astley
- 3** Amberswood, Bickershaw and Abram
- 4** Ashton, Viridor and Bryn
- 5** Pennington Flash and Lightshaw

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