

Berwick Glades

Formally farmland, this small, low-lying site's extensive tree planting has created several slowly maturing glades.

Around the site are excellent views of the Ingrebourne Valley, especially towards Hornchurch and Elm Park with an impressive hilly South Essex skyline in the distance.

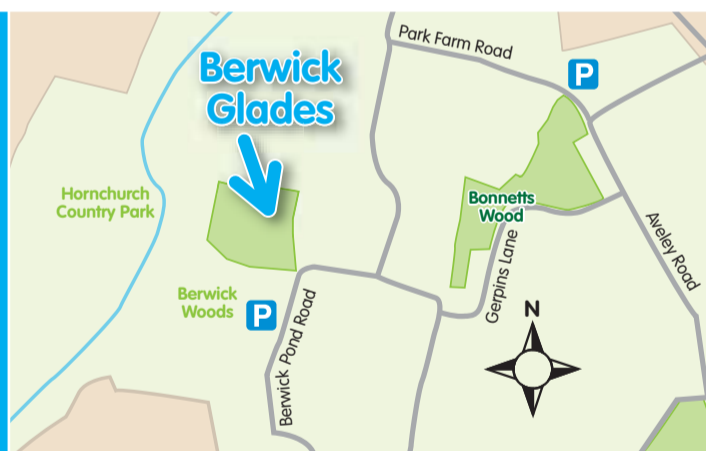
It's a well connected site too. There's a public footpath running from the site's northern edge to connect to Hornchurch, while next door to the south is Berwick Woods. Just across a bridge over the River Ingrebourne you'll find Hornchurch Country Park and the Ingrebourne Marshes. Just south of them, using the Ingrebourne Valley Greenway, is Ingrebourne Hill. All these sites give you a great area to explore and enjoy.



Locations and information Enjoy your visit



Thames Chase



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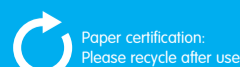
Thames Chase Community Forest:
Thames Chase is part of 12 Community Forests in England. With a network of 47 sites, its aim is to help promote the creation and continuing development of greenspace on the edge of East London and South Essex. The Forestry Commission own and manage 10 community woodlands within this area.

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Berwick Glades Fact File

Size: 12ha
Walks: 1km
 (0.25km is un-surfaced)
Cycling: 1km
Horses: Throughout grassed areas
Open: 8.00am to 7.00pm
Parking: Nearest is Berwick Woods
Created: 2003

Key

- Grass ride
 - Walkers or cyclists
 - Footpath
 - Bench
 - Car Park
 - Picnic table
 - Dog bins
 - Meadow
 - Woodland
- 0 45m
Scale
- N

What else is nearby?

Next door there's Berwick Woods, this former gravel pit is now a 20ha woodland with a good network of paths and a selection of art.

While over the river are:

Hornchurch Country Park with over 100ha of green space, 10km of walking, cycling and riding trails, a variety of habitats and a Second World War connection to RAF Hornchurch – the strategically important Battle of Britain Spitfire fighter station.

Ingrebourne Hill, the highest point in South Hornchurch, with its unique views and mountain bike course.

Also close by are Bonnetts Wood and Cely Woods.

LINKS
 Take a short walk to Hornchurch Country Park and Ingrebourne Hill

LINK
 Footpath to Hornchurch

Ancient history

An aerial photographic survey suggests this site has been settled and farmed for over 4000 years!

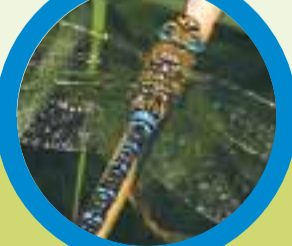
This archaeological study revealed signs both of Bronze Age and Iron Age farmsteads plus, possibly, a Bronze Age burial mound on the site.

Woodland Code: Cycle with care. Respect the peace and quiet of the woods and wildlife. Take your litter home with you. Never light fires and smokers take care. Dogs are welcome but please keep them under close control and always clean up after your pet.

Riders Code: Please walk or trot on the marked trails. Do not canter or gallop. Please do not ride on the pink paths – they are for pedestrians.

Berwick Woods

Berwick Pond Road



What's out or about?

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

Wintering fieldfare and redwings
Territorial robins
 Elder first leaves
Kestrels hunting from perches
 Newts and frogs return to ponds
 Warblers arrive
 Swallows and martins begin to nest
 Skylark flight song
Foxes active
 Grass snake basking
Ox-eye daisies bloom
 Dragonflies hawking
Green woodpeckers anling
 Lapwings gather overhead
 Blackberries
Autumn colours
 Elderberry and sloes on blackthorn
Weasels hunting
 Holly blossoms

There's plenty to see and hear throughout the year