About Lousehill Copse

Lousehill Copse is a remnant of ancient woodland in the heart of Tilehurst. It is one of the pockets of woodland in Tilehurst that has been designated a nature reserve by Reading Council. The northern part of Lousehill Copse is known as Comparts Plantation. The copse is divided by Dee Road.

This pamphlet introduces a circular walk round Lousehill Copse. Some parts of the walk are a bit steep and not suitable for pushchairs, buggies or for the disabled. A gentle stroll around the wood will take about an hour and a half. It is also a pleasant way to walk through the copse from Norcot Road to the Meadway.

There are seats by the pond and in the meadows with views across Reading.

This walk is part of a larger walk which is described on www.walkontheweb.org.uk which takes in the other parks, nature reserves and woodlands in Tilehurst.

Conservation work is undertaken by local volunteers; contact Reading Council for further information.

Please keep this woodland tidy, keep your dogs under control, take your litter home, and report any nuisances by phoning 0800 626 540.

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Walking

Easy distance from anywhere in Tilehurst. Make it part of a larger walk through our local parks - see www.walkontheweb.org.uk.

By bike

No motorbikes. Push bikes should not get in the way of walkers, but a gentle ride can be rewarding.

By bus

No 17 is an excellent frequent service with stops on Norcot Road at the Tylers Rest for the North entrance. No 15/16 goes to Dee Park for the Spey Road entrance. No 33 stops in the Meadway for the steps up to the South entrance.

For further information visit www.reading-buses.co.uk

By car

Some limited parking in Pottery Road, for starting at the Norcot end of the copse, Meadway Precinct for starting at the steps up to the South entrance of copse and there is also parking in and around Dee Park.

Entrances

There are many entrances allowing easy access but there are steps at D,G and I.

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