# Rockland Control access for all audit



A short route through the heart of the Broads National Park

## What does this walk offer?

Less than 10 miles from Norwich

Easy flat hard surfaced route throughout

Seating available

Dedicated car parking spaces

Opportunity enjoy the view of Rockland broad

No steps at any point

Wonderful local wildlife

Total distance of just over 1 mile but can be shortened depending on ability

Facilities available on site or in Loddon or Norwich







## Location of the route and how to get there

#### Map of Broads National Park

Entrance to car park on

New Inn Road Rockland

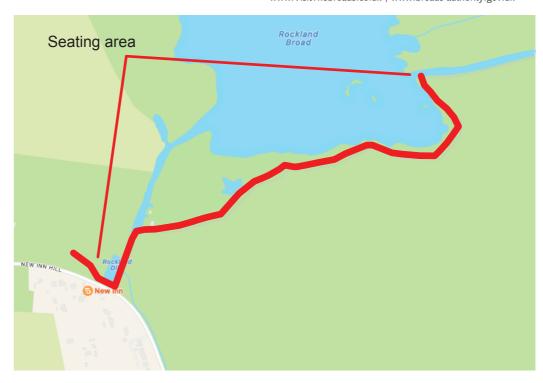
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Route of path from car park through to seat overlooking Rockland broad

The route is a linear one so can be reduced depending on ability



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#### **Access Audit**

Two dedicated disabled car parking spaces

Asphalt path from car park spaces to start of route

Flat and even throughout

Timber bridge leading to green

Flat level and even throughout

3 metres long

1.2 metres wide

Two benches available on the green

Great view of the mooring basin

Easily accessible from car park

Information boards on site to provide more information

Flat even surface from bridge to road edge

Surface is compacted aggregate

Cross fall less than 2%

Lip to pavement less than 5 millimetres compacted aggregate

Pavement is 1 to 1.2 metres wide

Pavement is constructed of tarmac and has a cross fall of less than 2%

Please take care as this is adjacent to a busy road











#### **Access Audit**

From pavement route surface changes to compacted aggregate

Cross fall less than 3% throughout

Width over 2 metres throughout this section



View from the path looking back to the road

Footpath is solid and surface is made up of compressed aggregate

Minimal cross fall - less than 3% throughout

Over 2 metres width throughout

Path divides into footpath and road section solid flat surface

Width over 2 metres throughout

Cross fall less than 3%



Tarmac surface of footpath for improved access

1.2 metres wide

Cross fall less than 3%



Footpath goes off road
Width between 1.2 and 1.5 metres

Cross fall less than 3%

Stable, level surface with aggregate finish



#### **Access Audit**

Two gates on path with a width of 1.5 metres

Passing place of 2.6 metre width next to gate

Surface flat, level and even and made up for compressed aggregate

Accessible gate latch on both gates. Gates swing in either direction. Lift latch on each gate

Both gates swing freely and should provide no issues

Footpath runs for a mile through to Rockland short dike

Footpath surface made up from aggregate and is flat, even and solid throughout

Cross fall less than 3%

1.2 to 1.4 metres wide

Flood defence runs alongside footpath throughout

This can be used for informal sitting and resting places

It is 1 foot in width although the hight varies slightly throughout

Bench at the end of the footpath with views across Rockland Broad

A perfect place to sit and reflect on the world.

A great place of wildlife spotting as well











### Rockland stories and local information



Rockland Broad contains a wherry graveyard with the morbid name of the slaughters. These wherry wrecks are commemorated at the information point over looking the staithe by the wherry ribs at the Broads Authority mooring.

13 wherries were sunk in the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century once they had come to the end of their trading life.

The wherry's had their heyday in the 19<sup>th</sup> century where they carries every cargo imaginable coal, timber, bricks, grain, maize, sugar beet, beer and even coffins.

These wherry's would sail to many of the small broads villages and provide them with much needed supplies. The wherries would sail into the local staithe to load and unload. Many of these staithe's have been re-purposed for todays use for launching and mooring craft like the one at Rockland.

At Rockland, the wherries were the main and often only source of providing supplies from further afield such as coal and oil cake for livestock. They also hauled away bricks, reed and timber.

Rockland is an ideal spot to sit and watch the modern day leisure boats use the staithe

#### A sensory experience





When on the route you are likely to see and hear many different things.

Cattle grazing, heron, dragon flies, wind blowing through trees, wide open landscapes and huge Norfolk Skies are just a few of the sights regularly seen.

Often barn owls can be seen quartering the grazing marshes along with other raptors. Often king fishers can be seen darting in and out of the area.





Seats available at the mooring allow wonderful views across the area and an opportunity to watch people moor up their craft during the season.

This is a great spot for fishing during the season as its very accessible.