

VISITOR INFORMATION

Opening Times: Open every day of the year.

Public Toilets: Humber Bridge car park and Hessle Foreshore car park.

Accessibility: The park is accessible to people with disabilities, including wheelchair users. Park and enter at the step-free Hessle Foreshore entrance.

Refreshments: The Country Park Inn on Hessle Foreshore.

Dogs: Keep your dog under close control, and do not disturb wildlife or other visitors. Please clean up after your dog.

Tourist Information Centre: In the Humber Bridge car park.

Enjoy a Safe Visit

Camping, fishing and fire lighting are not permitted. If cycling in the park keep to the paths and be mindful of other visitors. Keep out of the ponds and do not climb the cliffs.

WHAT TO DO



- Nature Trails
- Sculptural Seats
- Tree Trail
- Orienteering Course
- Bird Feeding Station

FIND OUT MORE

Countryside access team
East Riding of Yorkshire Council
(01482) 395207
www.eastriding.gov.uk/countrysideaccess
countryside.access@eastriding.gov.uk

Friends of the Humber Bridge Country Park
Become a Friend of the Country Park and support the protection and conservation of the park.

www.humberbridgecountrypark.co.uk
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HOW TO FIND THE RESERVE

The Humber Bridge Country Park is situated in Hessle, adjacent to the Humber Bridge and River Humber. By road, approach on the A63 (5 miles west of Hull), or on the A164 (10 miles from Beverley).

Humber Bridge free car park:

OS Explorer Map 293: Grid ref: TA 023 253.
Postcode: HU13 0LN

Hessle Foreshore free car park:

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Postcode: HU13 0HB



The Country Park is on the National Cycle Network. There are cycle racks in the Humber Bridge car park and at some of the country park entrances.



The nearest railway station is Hessle (¾ mile).
Enquiries: **08457 48 49 50**. www.nationalrail.co.uk



There are bus stops on Ferriby Road next to the Bridge car park and in Hessle Square (¾ mile).
EYMS bus routes 56/57/66/155/156 Hull to Hessle.
BUSCALL enquiries: **(01482) 222222**.
www.eyms.co.uk

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Humber Bridge Country Park

Local Nature Reserve



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A UNIQUE AND SPECIAL PLACE

The Country Park is a 48 acre wood with open meadows and wildlife ponds. The distinctive chalk cliffs which surround the park on three sides, give rise to the park's local name of *Little Switzerland*. The bright white chalk cliffs were said to resemble miniature snow covered Alps!

HISTORY

The Humber Bridge Country Park opened in 1986, five years after the Humber Bridge was built. In 2002 the Park was designated a Local Nature Reserve in recognition of its wildlife value and importance to the local community.

The site has a long history of chalk quarrying, dating from the 13th century until the 1960s. Originally the chalk was extracted by hand and taken by horse and cart to the unique five-sailed Whiting Mill on Hesse Foreshore. Here it was ground into powdered whiting and loaded onto boats to be transported away on the Humber.

RESERVE MANAGEMENT

The Country Park is managed by the countryside access team. Our goal is to balance recreational activities with conserving wildlife. While some meadows are mown for games and picnics, others are only cut once a year to encourage wild flowers and butterflies. There are 22 species of butterflies recorded across the reserve.

In the woods the mature ash trees are nurtured for their insects and nesting birds. Other trees such as hawthorn, elder and crab apple are encouraged to provide ample berries for hungry resident and migrating birds.

The ponds provide an excellent home for amphibians, including specially protected great crested newts. They are not fishing ponds and are never stocked with fish as this would be detrimental to amphibians. Please do not remove any creatures from the ponds.



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USEFUL CONTACTS

Countryside Officer
(01482) 395207

Police (non-emergencies)
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Tourist Information
(01482) 640852

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