

HARPENDEN GREEN LOOP

cycle – sustain – explore – enjoy

walk – discover – run

CYCLING THE LOOP

The Harpenden Green Loop is a 15km route around the town, through parks, cyclepaths and other green spaces. There are several places to join and exit The Loop making it a great way to get around, explore nature and enjoy time outdoors.

If you'd like to find out more please visit: www.harpenden.gov.uk/loop

Starting from the entrance to Rothamsted Park, here are cycling instructions for the entire Loop, each number is a potential access point.



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Lime Tree Avenue



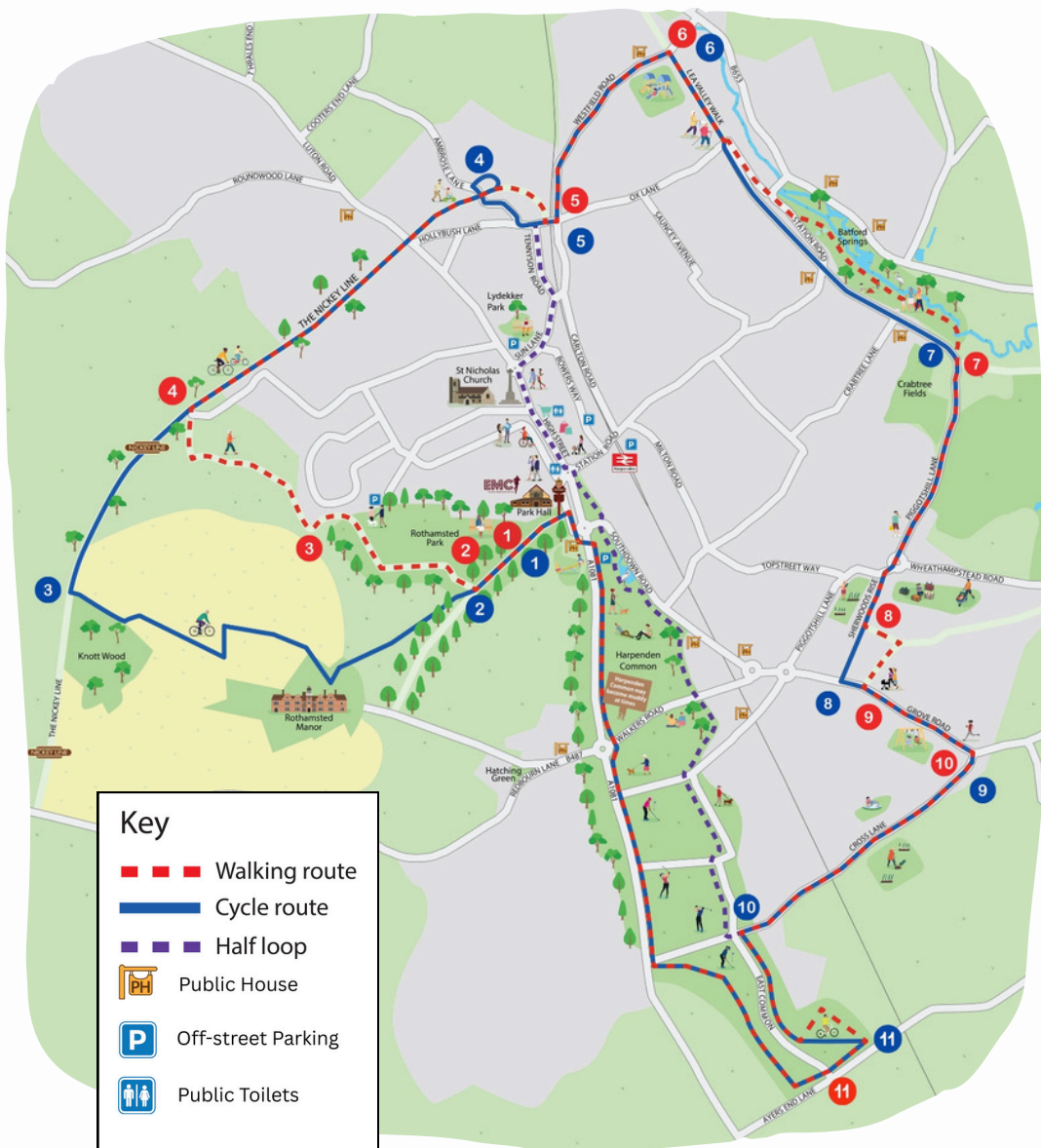
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Silver Gate



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Knott Wood



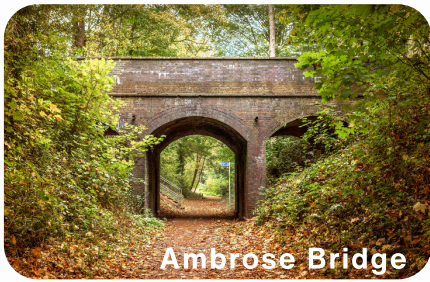
1. Entering Rothamsted Park, head straight through the lime tree avenue uphill towards the Rothamsted Estate.

2. As you reach the silver gate into the Rothamsted Estate, exit via the gate and after a few meters turn right - follow Bridlepath 1. Pass the back of Rothamsted Manor (a cluster of buildings) on your left, then take an abrupt right turn to continue following the bridlepath (tarmac road). When the left-hand fence line ends, turn sharp left and follow the rough track. After approx 100 meters, turn right to another rough path. Continue straight ahead, through the dip and past Knott Wood, until you reach the Nickey Line. Turn right onto the Nickey Line.

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5 Westfield Recreation Ground



Ambrose Bridge



Piggottshill Lane

3. After joining the Nickey Line, cycle this historic route until you pass under the Ambrose Bridge.

4. Take the ramp on the left around onto Ambrose Lane, continue left back over the bridge and cycle towards Hollybush Lane.

5. At Hollybush Lane, turn left and then at the roundabout, take Westfield Road all the way down to the Lea Valley Line (entrance on the right). Westfield Recreation Ground is a good spot to take a break - see if you can spot an elusive slow worm in the long grass!

6. Follow the Lea Valley Line all the way down to the bridge over Piggottshill Lane and take the steps and bike ramp down to the road.

7. Continue up Piggottshill Lane until you reach the roundabout. Safely cross over the roundabout continuing on Piggottshill Lane and then after a few meters bear left and head down into Sherwood's Rise. Cycle down the Byway Open to All Traffic (BOAT) until you reach Grove Road, where you turn left.

8. Continue along Grove Road, at the roundabout turn right, taking the second exit. Ride up Welbeck Rise and bear left up Cross Lane, which is situated between the Barnhouse and hedgerow on the left.

9. Cycle all the way up Cross Lane until you reach the next crossroads.

10. Turn left and follow the black and white 'Horse Ride' posts located on the left along Harpenden Common. Please note, cycling is only permitted on the Horse Ride across the Common, so please keep within the Horse Ride posts.



Sherwood's Rise BOAT



Cross Lane



Horse Ride Nr Limbrick Rd

11. Continue following the Horse Ride route which loops around and take you all the way back to Town past the Golf Club, through woodlands and into meadow before reaching the Baa Lambs Car Park. Cross the A1081 immediately before the roundabout and head towards the fire station. Turn right and finish back at the entrance to Rothamsted Park.