

BHS Paralympic Legacy Access Project

Route 19 – Westhay Moor



PLAP Route 19 – Westhay Moor

Distance: approximately 11 miles

Map: Ordnance Survey Explorer Map Number 141 (Map 1:25000)

This is a simple route of approximately eleven miles set within the Somerset Levels, between the Mendips and the Polden Hills. This route offers a range of options using flat land, and is surrounded by beautiful, distinctive countryside. The designers of this route have successfully created a drive which truly reflects the aims of the project, which is to promote countryside access to drivers of all levels of proficiency and physical ability.

The general location offers a variety of well-known sights for visitors including Wedmore, Cheddar Gorge, Wookey Hole, Wells, Glastonbury, Street and the Shapwick Heath and Ham Wall National Nature Reserve – the location of spectacular winter starling murmuration's.

This route has kindly been created and driven by Frances James and Mike Lake, who have also provided the directions for the route.

Route Description

The starting point of the route assumes that you have used the parking facilities offered by Sweets Tea Rooms. The droves are not named but the instructions should be read and driven in conjunction with the map.

Leave Sweets Tea Rooms by turning left onto the B3151 and after 100 yards take the left turning in front of the old turnpike cottage, signposted to Godney. Stay on the lane for 0.6 miles until reaching the second drove on your left, London Drove (unnamed restricted byway; see pdf map (link above) for details of all drove names).

Turn left up London Drove and continue for 1.4 miles. This drove is made up for part of its way but is still quite bumpy. It follows the edge of the NNR, crosses the North Drain and continues until it meets North Chine Drove Road. Turn right.

Continue along North Chine Drove Road for 1.0 mile until you reach the third drove, Lewis's Drove Road on your right. Turn right.

Continue down Lewis's Drove Road for 1.1 miles. It crosses the North Drain and continues through some peat work to the junction with Westhay Moor Drove. Turn left along Westhay Moor Drove Road.

Continue along Westhay Moor Drove Road for 0.6 miles until you reach the crossroads. For the shortest route, turn left, signposted Panborough and Wedmore, along Tilley's Drove Road.

At this point you could choose to extend your drive.

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Option One

(1.2 miles extra)

- Continue straight on for 1.0 miles to next crossroads and turn left onto Yeap's Drove Road.
- Continue for 1.2 miles to next crossroads.
- Continue straight across onto North Chine Drove Road and continue at **green** below.

Option Two

(2.4 miles extra)

- Turn right to Godney and after 0.5 miles turn left, signposted Village Hall, and continue for 1.2 miles past the Sheppey Inn to the next crossroads.
- Turn left, signposted Panborough and Wedmore onto Godney Drove, leading to Yeap's Drove Road.
- Continue for 0.5 miles to next crossroads.
- Continue straight across for 1.2 miles to next crossroads.
- Continue straight across onto North Chine Drove and continue as **green** below.

Option Three

(6.3 miles extra)

- As Option 2, pass The Sheppey Inn to the crossroads and go straight over, signposted to Polsham and Wells.
- Continue for 1.5 miles through Polsham to the next left turn, signposted behind you, at the junction to Fenny Castle.
- Turn left and continue 1.0 mile to Fenny Castle.
- At T-junction turn left past the Fenny Castle Teas Rooms.
- Continue for 1.7 miles to next crossroads and turn right onto Yeaps's Drove Road.
- Continue for 1.2 miles to next crossroads.
- Continue straight across onto North Chine Drove Road and continue as **green** below.

If choosing not to extend your drive:

Continue along Tilley's Drove Road for one mile until you reach the crossroads. Turn left (un-signposted) onto North Chine Drove Road.

After route extension option one, two, three or the standard route of point **yellow**:

Continue along North Chine Drove Road for 0.6 mile until you reach the second drove, Lewis's Drove Road on your left. Turn left. You will have been down this road on the way out.

Continue down Lewis's Drove Road for 1.1 miles. It crosses the North Drain and continues through some peat work to the junction with Westhay Moor Drove. This time turn right along Westhay Moor Drove Road.

Continue along Westhay Moor Drove Road for 0.8 miles until you reach the car park on your right. Turn right up Dagg's Drove (restricted byway). This drove is made up for most of the way but is still quite bumpy. Continue for one mile up the Drove through NNR, over the North Drain and

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continue until it meets North Chine Drove Road. Turn left.

Continue along North Chine Drove Road for 0.4 miles until you reach the next drove, London Drove (restricted byway), on your left (you would have driven up this drove earlier). Turn left down London Drove and continue for 1.4 miles until you reach the junction with Westhay Moor Drove Road. Turn right.

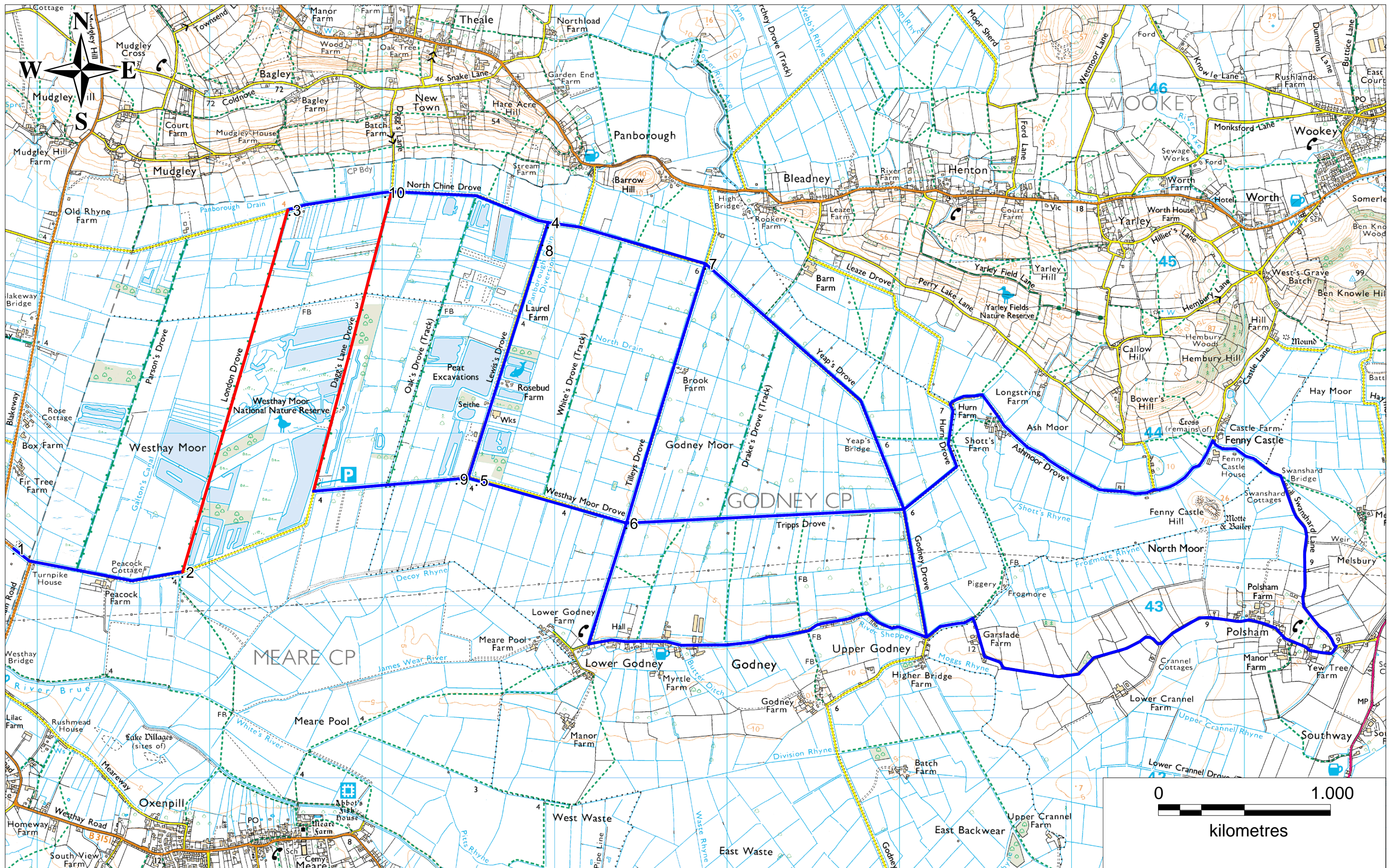
Continue for 0.6 miles back along Westhay Moor Drove Road and the B3151 to Sweets Tea Rooms.

General Information

Parking: Parking for this drive has kindly been offered by [Sweets Tea Rooms](#) (right).

Insurance: The BHS recommends that before undertaking any part of this route, both horse and rider should be adequately insured against public liability. The British Horse Society can provide public liability and personal accident insurance cover as well as many benefits if you join as a member (terms and conditions and territorial limits apply). For more information or to join, visit www.bhs.org.uk/membership.

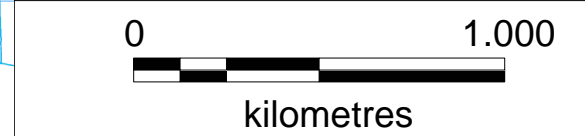
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Route 19. The Westhay Moor Drive, Somerset

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 — On-road route
 — Off-road route



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About the **Paralympic Legacy Access Project**

In 2013, the BHS launched the Paralympic Legacy Access Project (PLAP), dedicated to identifying and promoting 20 off-road routes across Britain. The 12-mile circular routes were recognised to suit the needs of carriage drivers with physical limitations.

The project was inspired by an anonymous donation to commemorate the achievements of the Paralympics and Para World Carriage Driving Championship in 2012. Launched by BHS President, Martin Clunes, the 20 routes were all tested prior to launch.

A huge thank you to those who volunteered their time, knowledge and input to create the routes of the Paralympic Legacy Access Project.

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