

Heritage Trail

- 1 Evidence of the clay industry on site, from the 1920s to 1960s.
- 2 Randall Manor, the site of a buried medieval manor.
- 3 The Hollow Way – a medieval track.
- 4 Prehistory sculpture: evidence of our Mesolithic ancestors.
- 5 Carriage Drive, which once led to Cobham Hall.
- 6 World War 2 Royal Air Force camp.
- 7 World War 2 Army camp (no information board).

Explorer Trail

- 1 **Darnley Mausoleum** The Grade 2 listed mausoleum, built in 1786, can be seen on the hillside opposite from this point.
- 2 **Ponds and wetlands** The ponds in this clay pit area are home to great crested newts, 19 species of dragonfly and damselfly, and at night daubenton bats feed on insects.
- 3 **Coppice woodland** The rotational cutting of sweet chestnut allows light to reach the woodland, promoting wild flowers. The variety of age of trees encourages small mammals, butterflies and birds.
- 4 **Woodland rides and glades** These open corridors connect areas of woodland. They allow sunlight into the wood and enable wildlife to spread through the park.
- 5 **Wood pasture and acid grassland** The veteran trees provide habitat for insects and birds, including the green, and lesser spotted woodpeckers. Bracken is controlled by cutting and grazing, allowing grass and herbs to flourish.
- 6 **Ancient woodland** These old trees are home to a wide variety of plants and animals. Lichen and mosses grow on the bark, where cracks are home to beetles and other insects.
- 7 **The clay pit** Here the silver birch trees shelter the newer oaks, sweet chestnut and hornbeam, which will eventually return the area to semi-natural woodland. In autumn, the pit is filled with fungi



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By car – signposted off the A2 between Gravesend and Rochester, at the Cobham/Shorne junction. Pay and display car park available.

By bus - take the Nu Venture Gravesend to Meopham/Cliffe service (numbers 416 and 417). It runs Monday to Saturday and stops at the park entrance. Phone Traveline: 0871 200 22 33.

By train – the nearest stations are Sole Street (2.6miles, 4.2km) and Higham (3miles, 4.8km). For rail enquiries phone 08457 48 49 50.

This leaflet is available in other formats and can be explained in other languages. Phone 03000 413500 or email: kentcountryparks@kent.gov.uk

Shorne Woods at a glance

Refreshments/Café	Team building
Children's play area	Venue hire
Picnic area	Cycle route
Easy access trail	Bridle route
Trim trail	Geocaching
Run 321 routes	Orienteering
Outdoor gym	Fishing
Walking routes	Visitor centre
Birthday parties	Pay & display car park
Education	Toilets
Seasonal events	Disabled toilets

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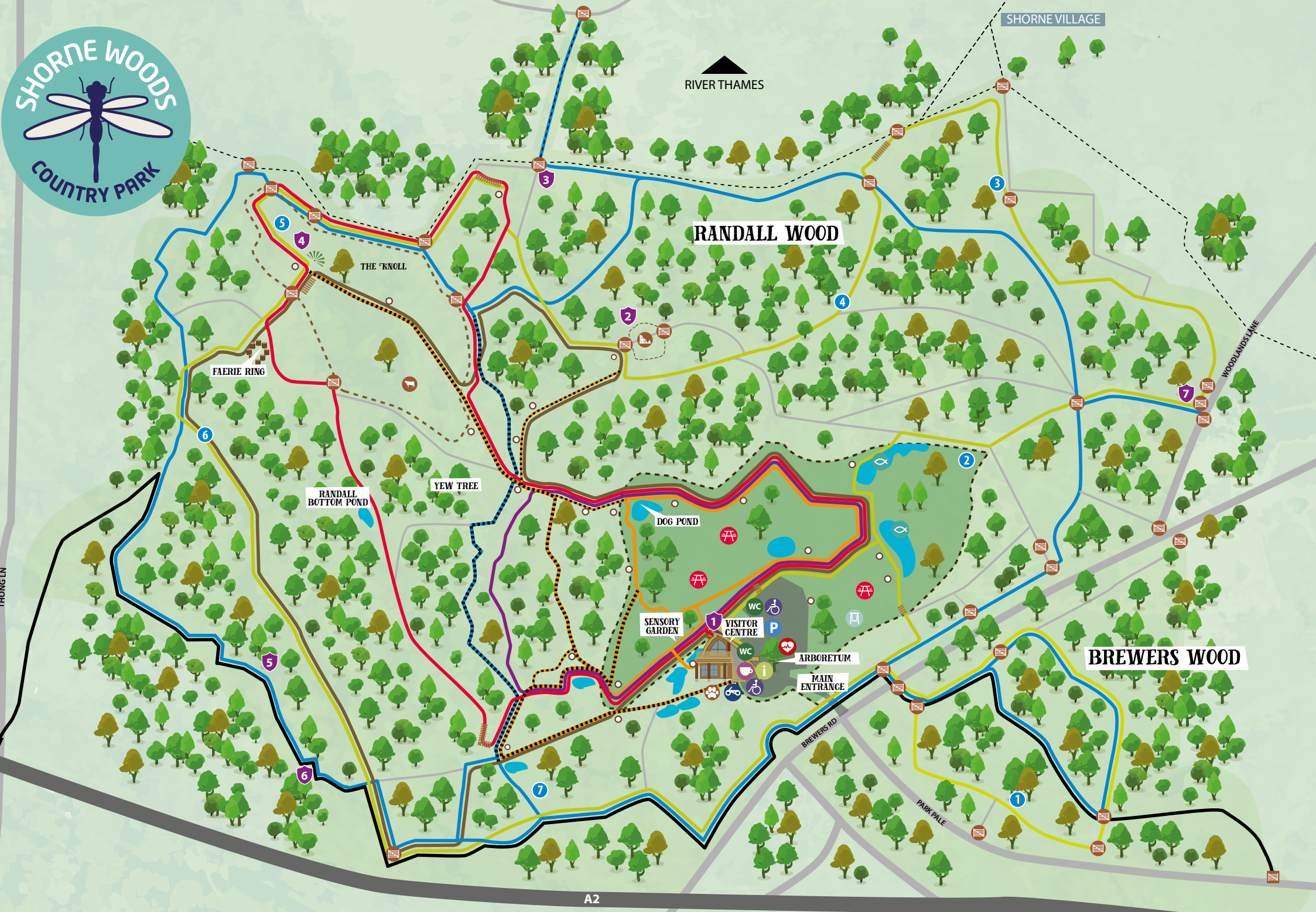










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































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-  **Easy Access Trail** - A 1km circular trail through birch woodland, lakes and grassy glades
-  **Easy Access Extension** - Direct linear routes to the Knoll view point and Randall Manor from the Easy Access Trail
-  **Purple Route** - An easy - medium route, 1.4km long
-  **Red Route** - A medium - difficult route, 3.1km long (Includes steps)
-  **Explorer Trail** - A challenging route, 6km long. (Includes steps)
-  **The Darnley Trail** - The 10km Darnley Trail is a circular route for pedestrians, cyclists and equestrians.
-  **Heritage Trail** - A medium - difficult route, 3.5km long (Includes steps)
-  **Horse/Cycle/Pedestrian Route** - This is a 3km circular route, with extensions that link to permissive bridleways outside the park

	Public Right of Way		Red Route
	Horse/Cycle and Pedestrian Route		Explorer Trail
	Easy Access Trail & Trim Trail		Heritage Trail
	Easy Access Extension		The Darnley Trail
	Purple Route		Minor Paths

	Site of Randall Manor		Toilets
	Easy access gate		Disabled toilets
	Benches		Cafe
	Seasonal grazing area		Outdoor gym
	Play areas		Heritage trail points of interest
	Picnic area		Explorer trail points of interest
	Cycle entrance		
	Dogs off leads entrance		View point
	Visitor centre		Dogs on lead zone
	Fishing		Steps
	Pay and display car park		Pond