



Beating The Bounds

18th May 2019























Norton Covert history

Norton Covert is a former sand and gravel pit worked for building sand and aggregate during the 19th century. It is situated on the east side of the road and adjacent to the burial ground around two hundred years ago. The site was a heavily worked southwards.

The site has been allowed to regenerate in grasses and wild flowers and a brick structure with trees of the site.

The site is owned and managed by Dudley Council and is a designated Site of Nature Interest (SNI) for geology and a Special Area of Conservation within the Dudley Borough.

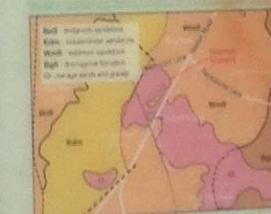
The site is a place to enjoy their time and regard for the fragile environment of the Covert.

The history of Norton Covert is a story of sand and gravel pits and its wastes. There are many sand and gravel pits in the area and the rock (country rock) is a fine to medium grained sandstone. The sandstone is a fine to medium grained sandstone. The sandstone is a fine to medium grained sandstone. The sandstone is a fine to medium grained sandstone.

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Woodland glades

Mature woodland now covers the site but the history of sand and gravel extraction has given rise to varying ground levels and this has produced a variety of habitats. Oak is the dominant tree species but Birch, Sycamore, Ash, Wych Elm, Holly, Beech and Scots Pine are also significant. From the main access point from Sandy Lane (bridge), a path follows the western boundary alongside the back fence and leads to gardens of Sandy Road and makes a pleasant route and good vantage points. The views are at the most interesting because they include the bridge to look across the wood at Colongy level as well as seeing the different habitats, some open areas and others quite dense.



Community involvement

Over the last few years, the active involvement of local residents, who have formed a Friends of Norton Covert Group continues to improve the site.

How to get involved

The Friends of Norton Covert Group has regular conservation work parties at weekends and holds meetings locally. Notices of forthcoming activities are displayed at the entrances to Norton Covert. Further information 0191 272945.

More information

A free leaflet is available at Dudley Museum & Art Gallery and most Dudley Borough libraries.

The Geographical Code

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The Countryside Code

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More information

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