



LOOKING AFTER THE RIGHTS OF WAY

We have 21 miles or 33km of public footpaths, bridleways and byways in Finchampstead.

Wokingham Borough Council (WBC) is responsible for the network, but Finchampstead Parish Council has a part time Warden who carries out work on the paths. Together we aim to keep the paths well signed, well maintained and as accessible as possible. We also work with WBC, landowners and the Loddon Valley Ramblers over improvements to the network.

Problems should be reported to WBC at www.wokingham.gov.uk or telephone 0118 9746000

GETTING AROUND

Ordnance Survey Explorer Maps 159 and 160 cover the local area and are available from most good bookshops and online from www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk

My Journey Wokingham is your one stop destination to find travel information and advice – including travel options from public transport to walking and cycling. Visit www.myjourneywokingham.com

THE COUNTRYSIDE CODE

Respect other people

- Consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors
- Park carefully so access to gateways and driveways are clear
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Follow paths but give way to others where it's narrow

Protect the natural environment

- Leave no trace of your visit, take all your litter home
- Don't have BBQ's or fires
- Keep dogs under effective control
- Dog poo – bag it and bin it

Enjoy the outdoors

- Plan ahead, check what facilities are open, be prepared
- Follow advice and local signs

For more information visit www.gov.uk/natural-england

HEALTH WALKS

As well as improving health these walks are a great way to meet new friends and explore new places. The walks are led by trained volunteers and everyone can walk at their own pace. There are 3 regular health walks in Finchampstead from 1 mile (1.6km) to 3.8 miles (6km). Visit www.wokingham.gov.uk and search for 'health walks'

CIRCULAR WALKS AND LONGER WALKS

Finchampstead Parish Council has developed 3 circular walks starting from Simons Wood (6.5 km), California Country Park (4km) and St James' Church (5km).

Visit www.finchampstead-pc.gov.uk and search for 'local walks'

Finchampstead Ridges and Simon's Wood

There are two circular walks on these National Trust sites, the Simon's Wood centenary walk (2 km) and the Ridges Ramble.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk

Blackwater Valley Path

This 10km path is suitable for a short stroll or longer walk. Some sections are surfaced and suitable for bicycles, buggies and wheelchairs. Circular walks are available. Visit www.bvct.org.uk

The Wokingham Way

This 88km route follows the boundary of Wokingham Borough, the route is broken down into sections of 6.5-11 km. Visit www.lvra.org.uk

Loddon Valley Ramblers

Visit www.ramblers.org.uk/loddon-valley for information about other walks, guided walks and volunteering.

