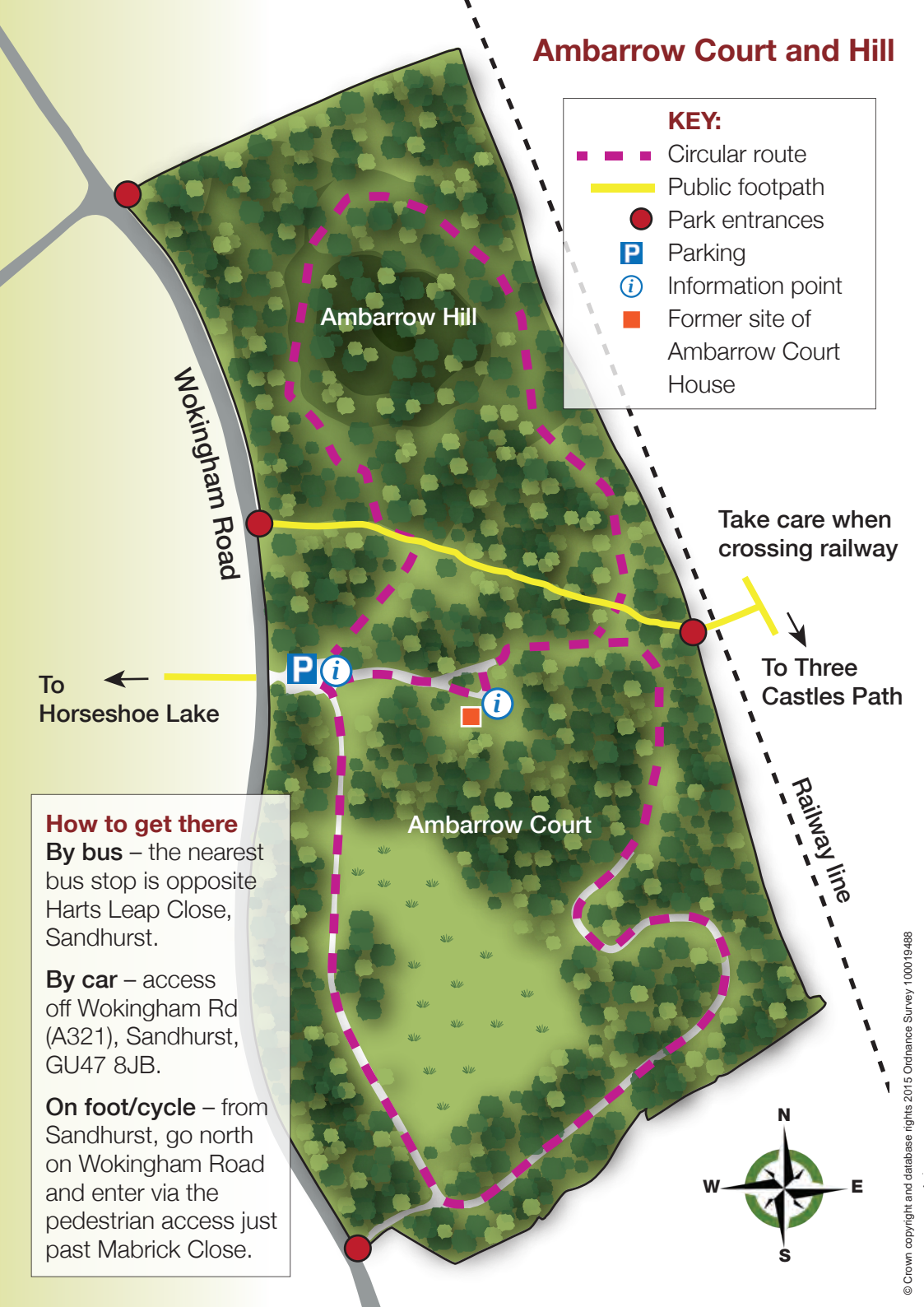



Ambarrow Court and Hill



KEY:

-  Circular route
-  Public footpath
-  Park entrances
-  Parking
-  Information point
-  Former site of Ambarrow Court House

Ambarrow Hill

Wokingham Road

Take care when crossing railway

To Horseshoe Lake

To Three Castles Path

Railway line

Ambarrow Court

How to get there

By bus – the nearest bus stop is opposite Harts Leap Close, Sandhurst.

By car – access off Wokingham Rd (A321), Sandhurst, GU47 8JB.

On foot/cycle – from Sandhurst, go north on Wokingham Road and enter via the pedestrian access just past Mabrick Close.



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Ambarrow Court and Ambarrow Hill Nature Reserve were once part of a large Victorian country estate. The house has since been demolished, but the former grounds are now managed for public access and wildlife by Bracknell Forest Council and The National Trust (respectively).



Facilities



* *Disabled access available for Ambarrow Court only

Circular route

The 0.9 mile (1.5km) loop of Ambarrow Court and Hill takes about 45 minutes.

Longer routes

From the east entrance, join the Three Castles Path, 60 mile (96km) long distance route from Windsor Castle to the Castle at Winchester. You can also join the Bracknell Forest Ramblers Route, a 26mile (41.8km) walk around the borough.

History

Ambarrow Court was a country residence built in 1885 for Lt. Colonel Harvey and his wife Edith. The footprint of the house can still be seen on the ground and there is an information board about its excavation.



Bluebell,
Hyacinthoides non-scripta



Ragged Robin,
Lychnis flos-cuculi

Wildlife

The woodland at Ambarrow Court is managed to encourage a range of wildlife. Removing some understorey vegetation allows more light to reach the forest floor which helps woodland flowers such as bluebells to flourish. Ambarrow Hill is largely mixed woodland of Scots pine and broadleaved trees including sweet chestnut.

The meadow at Ambarrow Court is full of life during the summer. Wildflowers such as yellow rattle, black knapweed and bird's foot trefoil, provide a colourful floral display. During summer, butterflies such as ringlet, meadow brown, gate keeper and large skipper can be spotted.

Bullfinch,
Pyrrhula pyrrhula



Did you know...?

During WWI Ambarrow Court was a secret research station into radar, LEDs and lasers!