

# Cabbage Hill





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Once grazed fields and arable farmland, Cabbage Hill today encompasses 17.72 hectares of wildflower meadows, woodland and grassland. There are spectacular views from the top of Cabbage Hill over the neighbouring Bracknell town and surrounding countryside.

### **Facilities**

- Car parking to the north of the site
- Notice boards with maps
- Places to sit and rest

## **Circular route**

A surfaced 2.3km walking route runs through much of the site. Follow this from the car park or access the route from one of the site entrances.

#### Longer routes

Longer routes can be explored by connecting with The Cut Countryside Corridor route to the south. See our separate leaflet.

## **Helping nature**

The woodland is a Local Wildlife Site that's managed by coppicing. This is a traditional practice of cutting down the smaller canopy trees and allowing them to regrow to revitalise the woodland. It helps more light to reach the woodland floor, which encourages plant growth. The meadows are either cut or grazed at the end of summer with any hay removed, to reduce nutrients and increase biodiversity. Greenfinch Chloris chloris



Common blue butterfly *Polyommatus icarus* 



## Wildlife

Roe deer

Long Copse is an ancient woodland, which has been around for so long it has developed special communities of plants and animals not found elsewhere. In spring, bluebells, wood anemones and lesser celandines carpet the woodland floor. Rare examples of wild service tree can also be spotted amongst the hazel coppice.

The meadows are alive with wildflowers in the summer, with oxeye daisy, yellow rattle and bird's-foot trefoil attracting insects. These provide a food source for birds such as finches, blackcaps and skylarks.

#### Did you know...?

Please keep dogs on leads when skylarks are nesting on the ground during the spring and summer.