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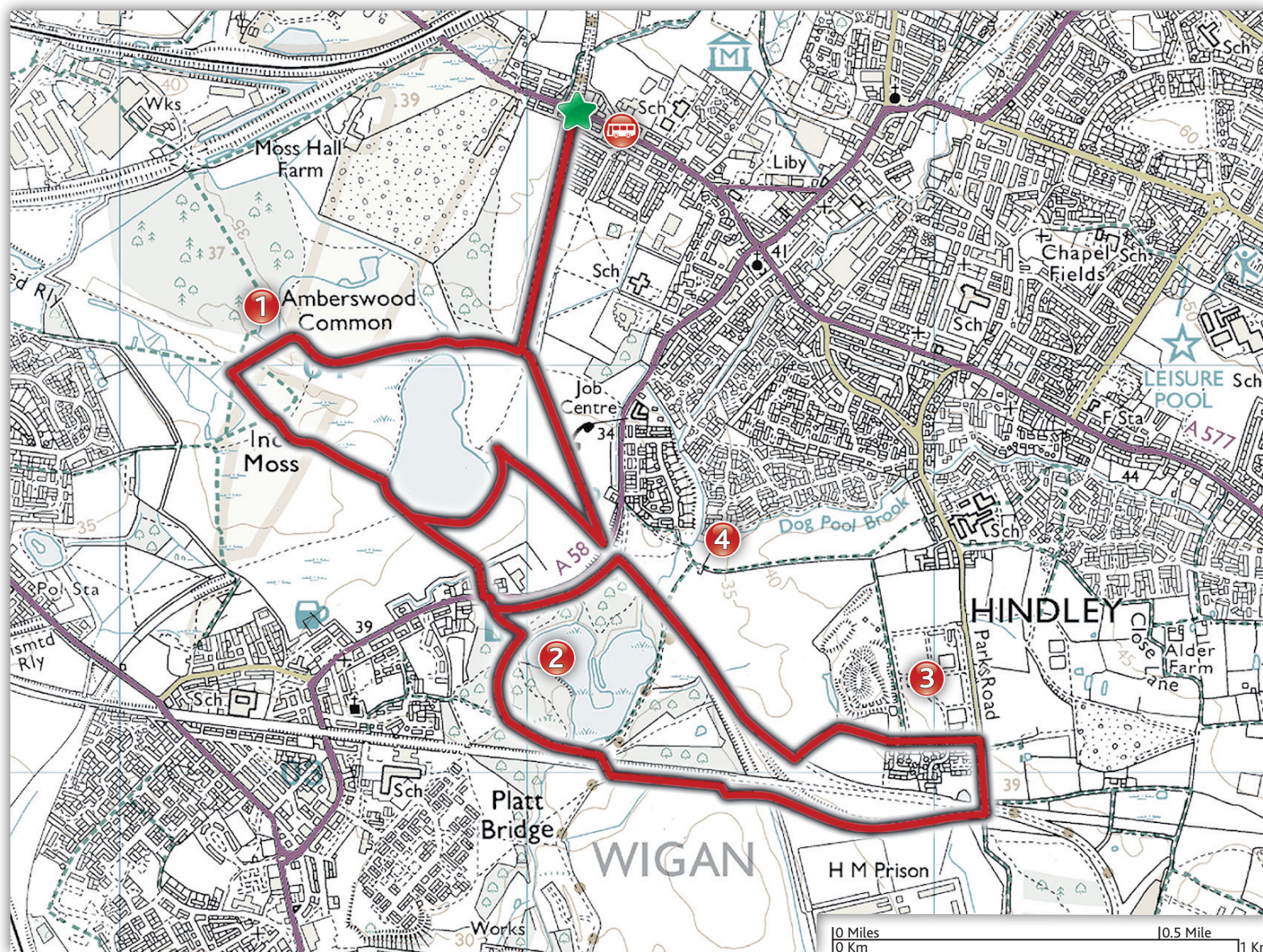
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## Jubilee Legacy Walks

This walk is one of a series of fifteen Jubilee Legacy Walks designed to celebrate the richness and diversity of Wigan Borough's green space, and provide a lasting reminder of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations of 2012. Walking is a great way to improve your physical health and mental wellbeing - aim for 150 minutes per week and you'll soon notice the difference!







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### WALK DESCRIPTION

Amberswood is a former open cast mining site that has now been transformed into one of the boroughs best green spaces and one of the key sites within Greenheart. The route takes you around the common and Ince Moss before passing through Low Hall Local Nature Reserve and passing by Leyland Park.

### ACCESSIBILITY

Routes are mainly along hard surfaced footpaths, but some areas may be softer after rain.

There is limited access for wheelchairs, prams & cycles.

### TOILETS

There are no public toilets.

### START POINT

This route begins and ends at Amberswood. Parking available at Greenheart car park, Wigan Road, Hindley, WN2 3BU.

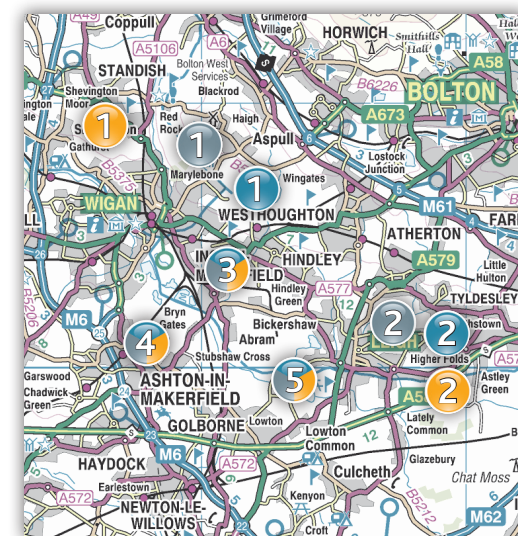
### BUS STOPS

Bus services run from Wigan & Leigh bus stations with stops on Wigan Road.

### POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 There are over 6km of paths linking areas of woodland, wildflower meadows, grasslands and wetlands. The Friends of Amberswood community group work with Groundwork and Wigan Council to help manage the site.
- 2 Low Hall Local Nature Reserve is a remnant of the Borough's mining past. It is rich in wildlife and habitats and is a magnet for nesting birds in spring and summer. The Friends of Low Hall community group help to manage and improve the site on behalf of WLCT. Visit [www.friendsoflowhall.co.uk](http://www.friendsoflowhall.co.uk).
- 3 Leyland Park was named after John Leyland, a Hindley landowner who had interests in banking. After his death he left money for a public library and land for a park. It was opened in 1881.
- 4 The water at Low Hall is fed by Borsdane Brook which has its source north of Haigh.

### OTHER ROUTES



#### Walk Locations

- 1 Borsdane, Standish and Haigh
- 2 Gin Pit, Tyldesley and Astley
- 3 Amberswood, Bickershaw and Abram
- 4 Ashton, Viridor and Bryn
- 5 Pennington Flash and Lightshaw

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