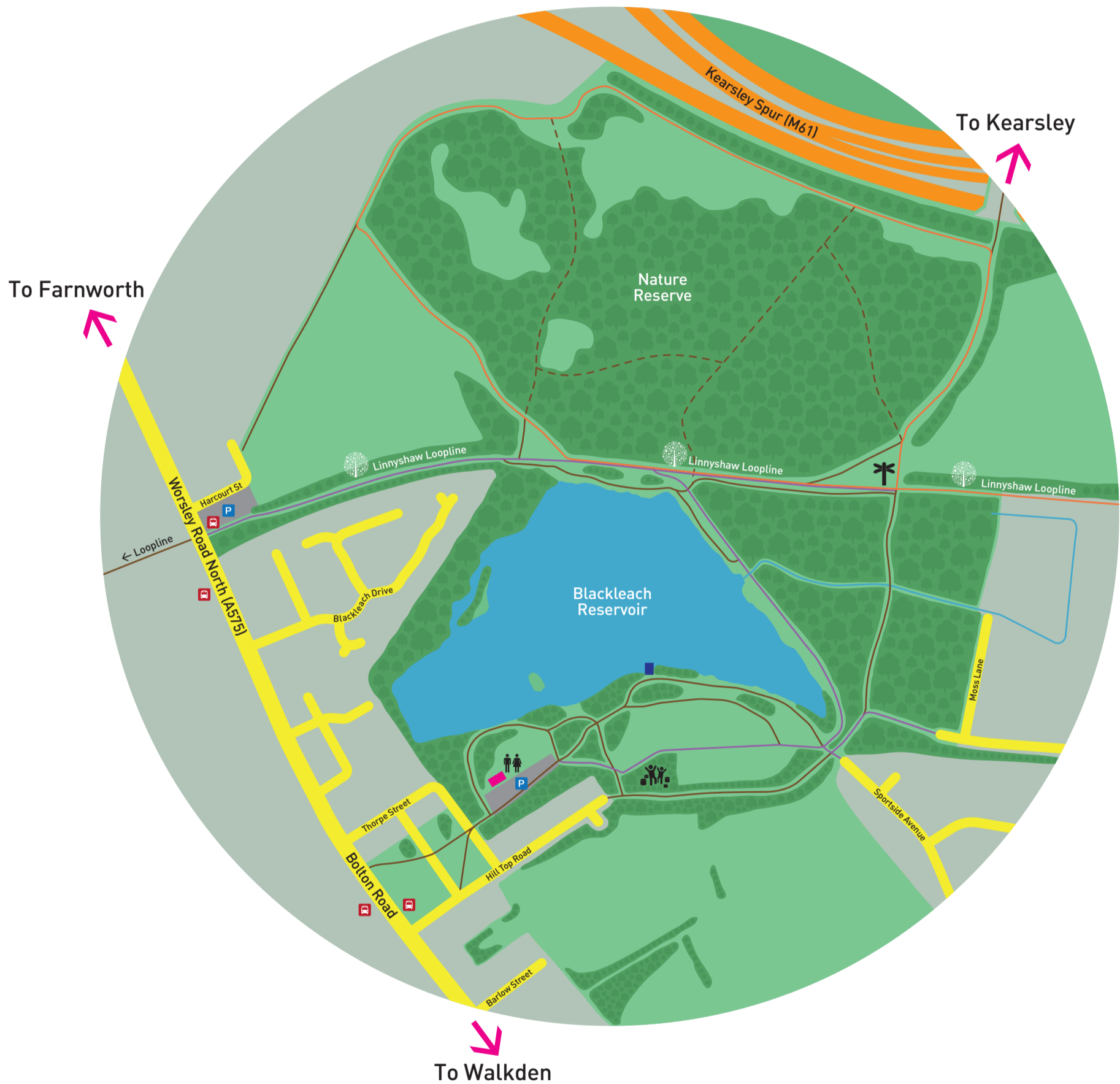


# Blackleach Country Park



## Key

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|  | Paved Path           |  | Nature Reserve Track |  | Concessionary Bridleway |  | Wheelchair Friendly |
|  | Stream               |  | Road                 |  | Motorway                |  | Bridge              |
|  | Wooded Area          |  | Grass                |  | Water                   |  | Car Park            |
|  | Adventure Playground |  | Signpost             |  | Toilets                 |  | Viewing Platform    |
|  |                      |  |                      |  | Visitor Centre          |  | Bus Stop            |

## Just half a mile north of Walkden town centre, **Blackleach Country Park** is a green haven right on your doorstep.

Officially designated as a Local Nature Reserve in 2004 and holder of the prestigious Green Flag award, Blackleach is an ideal place to enjoy the countryside, take a picnic, go fishing, feed the ducks or simply enjoy the local wildlife.

The site is easily accessible by car or bus from the A575 and links can be made with other countryside areas via the network of former railway lines which have been developed as safe, off-road footpaths and cycle routes.

The site and visitor centre are managed by the Salford Ranger Team with support from an active friends group who together provide an exciting programme of events and activities.

Schools and community groups are welcome to use the site and a range of outdoor education activities can be organised to suit different needs.

### Friends of Blackleach

The Friends of Blackleach are the local voluntary group who together with the Salford Ranger Team help to manage and maintain the country park.

This group meets on a regular basis and discuss future projects and management of the site.

If you would like to know more about the friends group, please contact the secretary, Phil Hagerty, on 0161 790 7746.

Blackleach has 24 hour pedestrian access. Visitor centre opening times vary, please call 0161 790 7746 or email [rangers@salford.gov.uk](mailto:rangers@salford.gov.uk) for further details.

## Facilities

- Car parking
- Children's play area
- Fishing
- Lake
- Orienteering
- Toilets
- Visitor centre
- Park rangers
- Friends group

## How to get here

### By car

Blackleach Country Park is located just off the A575, Bolton Road between Walkden and Farnworth. For sat nav purposes, the post code is M28 3TD. Car parks are closed at dusk.

### By train

Blackleach Country Park is about one mile from Walkden train station.

### By bus

Numbers 12, 31, 36, 37, 38, 39, 68 stop in Walkden Town Centre. Blackleach is approximately half a mile up Bolton Road from the town centre.

Numbers 25, 552, 554, 551, 556 stop at Hill Top Road on Bolton Road just 200 metres from the country park.