Welcome to a great place to visit all year round

Just a ten minute walk from the town centre, Melton Country Park really is a park for all seasons, with colourful landscapes to enjoy throughout the year. A haven for wildlife and an ideal place to get away from it all, it’s perfect for walking, cycling, bird watching and family picnics.

Activities for all

There’s something for everyone at Melton Country Park. Sports facilities include football pitches and a cricket area. There’s a wide range of play facilities for children of all ages, including a climbing forest, and we even have an Intelligent Play System (I Play) which uses gaming technology to make exercise fun for kids and big kids!

Our Sensory Garden has been specially designed to appeal to all the five senses; sight, smell, touch, taste and sound, providing a tranquil place for reflection amongst fragrant plants and rustling leaves. Why not take a stroll up to the top of 40 Oaks Avenue for magnificent views of the park, or walk around the lake and see the resident water birds which have made the park their home.

Whether you’re looking to take part in organised activities, cycle around the lake, spend the day bird watching, breathe in the fresh air as you walk our woodland paths, or simply want to take in the stunning scenery – you’ll find it all here.

Helping to safeguard nature

The park is designed to provide the quality habitats that plants and animals need to thrive. The lakes and waterways of the park host a great variety of water birds. From the bird hide on the east side of the lake you can spot Tufted Ducks, Mallards, Little Grebes and Great Crested Grebes. Less common species including Shoveler Ducks, Teals, Pochards, Greylaggs and Canada Geese are also frequently seen.

In the summer, the park is the perfect place to see butterflies as they bask on the sunny, south-facing slopes, while dragonflies and damselflies dart around the ditches and lake.

Our trees and flowers

12,500 different species of trees have been planted throughout the park to create a variety of habitats for wildlife. The grass at the northern end of the park is allowed to grow long to encourage diversity, and you can see a variety of plants; including Buttercups, Thistles, Sorrel, Dandelions and Cow Parsley. This environment is also popular with birds such as Skylark and butterflies such as the Meadow Brown and Skipper.

Our footpaths and cycle paths

The park is criss-crossed by various footpaths, including the Jubilee Way, a fifteen and a half mile (24.9km) walk from Melton Mowbray into the picturesque Vale of Belvoir and National Cycle Way 64, which runs from Market Harborough in south Leicester to Lincoln.

There are several short walks of interest in the park, including a Wildlife Walk, a Woodland Walk, and the newly created Walks for Health scheme.

Great facilities to help you enjoy your visit

It’s a good idea to make the Visitor Centre your first port of call as they have lots of friendly advice and information to help make the most of your day. You can pick up leaflets on all the activities that are taking place, as well as maps to help you find your way around the park.

The Visitors Centre is also a perfect venue for courses or meetings with rooms available throughout the year. Booking is essential.

Toilets with disabled access and baby-changing facilities can be found at the Visitor Centre.

Dogs are welcome but must be under close control at all times, and are not allowed in the children’s play areas. Poop-scoop bags are available free from the Visitor Centre.

Become a friend or volunteer

We have a friends group and are always looking for volunteers. For more information please contact Bill Forbes, Tel: 01664 561055. Email: bill@bjforbes.co.uk

How to find us

By Road: The main car park can be found at the bottom of Wymondham Way off Scalford Road.

By Bus: Visit www.travelineeastmidlands.org.uk or call 0871 200 23 33 for an up-to-date timetable.

By Rail: Melton Mowbray Train Station, Burton Street, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire LE13 1AF. Visit www.nationalrail.co.uk for an up-to-date timetable.

Melton Country Park with FREE car parking is open all year. Disabled spaces are available in all car parks.

For further information please visit or contact:

Visitor Centre, Wymondham Way, Melton Mowbray.

Telephone: 01664 480122

or for general enquiries (Monday - Friday):

Melton Borough Council, Parkside, Station Approach, Burton Street, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire LE13 1GH

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Welcome to your - Melton Country Park

Please Remember:
- To take your litter home or use the bins provided.
- To use the dog waste bins.
- To keep your dog under control.
- The lakes are deep and water cold, even in the summer. Swimming, Ice Skating and Fishing are not allowed.

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