

Wheal Coates Access Statement

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Welcome

- At this site, you will find iconic tin mine ruins on the cliffs between Chapel Porth and St Agnes Head. Wheal Coates is on the coastal footpath between St Agnes and Chapel Porth. You can also reach it from the National Trust car park just off Beacon Drive.
- The car park is not staffed
- There is mobile phone reception at this site

Directions

 Please take note there are major road improvements underway (due to complete March 2024), there may delays and temporary diversions in place along the A30. From the A30 at Chiverton Cross roundabout, take the B3277 for St Agnes. At the roundabout at the entrance to the village turn left and follow the brown tourist signs. When you reach the no through road to Chapel Porth, turn right into Beacon Drive. The entrance to the Wheal Coates car park is further along on the left

Parking

- The car park is mainly level with tarmac at the entrance and compacted gravel elsewhere
- Blue badge holders park free of charge
- There is one designated space for disabled visitors
- National Trust members park free of charge. Please scan your membership card at the Pay & Display machine.
- For other users, tariffs apply from dawn to dusk throughout the year. Pay cash-free via PaybyPhone or bring coins for the Pay & Display machine



Car park entrance just off Beacon Drive



Looking back to the entrance of the car park



Designated disabled parking space near the P & D machine



Pay & Display machine, information board and dog bin



Cash free parking using PayByPhone

Each car park has its own location code. Look for the PayByPhone sign on the P&D machines

Information

- There is an information board next to the Pay & Display machine in the car park
- There is a further information board just before the mine buildings
- There is a dog bin in the car park



Information board near the mine buildings

Toilets

 There are no toilets at this site. There is a RADAR accessible toilet at Chapel Porth beach car park nearby; however, Chapel Porth car park is small and can get very busy in high season.

Places to eat and drink

There is no café at this site. There is a café at Chapel Porth beach but the car park there
gets very busy in the high season. The village of St Agnes with pubs and cafes is a
couple of miles to the east.

Designated walking trail / footpaths / viewpoints

- There are no designated wheelchair friendly trails at this site as the paths are quite rough and stony
- The mine buildings are approximately 500 metres away along a fairly level but stony path
- You can see the buildings by following the path from the car park path without having to go down onto the coastal path
- The buildings are on the cliffs
- Amongst the ruins are deep shafts and unprotected drops from walls
- The site is on the South West Coast path and there are many individual tracks from here along the coast to Chapel Porth and St Agnes. Some tracks are next to steep drops down the cliffs to the sea below







Picnic areas

- Near the mine buildings is a relatively level area where you can stop and enjoy the views along the coast.
- The whole of this area is open to the coast so there are many other places to sit down and picnic

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