

Loughwood Meeting House Accessibility Guide

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Introduction

Loughwood is one of the earliest surviving Baptist churches in the country, this beautiful chapel is set into the hillside and looks out over the rolling east Devon countryside with views of the Axe Valley.

Assistance dogs are welcome in the Chapel and grounds.

There are no toilets available on-site.

The Chapel has stepped access to the graveyard and upper level inside the chapel. Gates in the grounds and narrow corridors inside the Meeting House may restrict wheelchair access.

Arrival & Parking Facilities

Loughwood is easily accessible by car. On the A35, between Axminster and Kilminster, turn down Loughwood Lane. The Chapel is on the left, down a short driveway.

A small 3 space car park with gravel surface, is available for visitors. There are no designated blue badge parking spaces available.



Distance from the car park to the entrance gate of the graveyard is approximately 15m, along a gravel surface.



Visitor Reception

Entrance to the chapel graveyard is through a gate approximately 1m wide, with small step up.



A concrete slab path leads uphill to the main doorway entrance to the chapel. The doorway manually opens inwards and is approximately 1m wide. A hand sanitising station is located at the entrance.



Inside the chapel

The chapel is lit well inside by natural light.

The flagstone floor is uneven in places and narrow aisles, approximately 80cm wide, maybe unsuitable for wheelchair users.

The upper level of the chapel is accessed by a steep stairway.



There are no toilets on site. The nearest accessible toilet is approximately 3 miles away, in-store at Axminster Tesco EX13 5NG.

Graveyard access



Access to the upper level of the graveyard is via steep concrete and grass covered steps. There is no handrail.

On the upper level of the graveyard a mown grassy path follows a short route around the gravestones.



Seating

Inside the Meeting House there is pine bench seating, which are the original pews used by worshipers.

Outside is a picnic bench, which is accessed up two uneven steps and along a short grassy path.

