

## Cushendun Outdoor property Access Statement



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### Introduction

This property is located within the Idyll village of Cushendun, which is situated at the foot of Glendun. The village is steeped in character and folklore, with its sheltered harbour, beautiful beach, unique Cornish-style architecture making this village a breathing place to explore. There is circular way-marked trail around the village, which takes in the beautiful scenery the village has to offer. There is play park which is managed by the local council and outdoor gym equipment which is maintained by the National Trust. All dogs are welcome on lead, including Assistance Dogs. Cushendun is a countryside property with no visitor centre or reception, so National Trust facilities open to the public are limited. National Trust manages a large part of the village since it's coming under its ownership in 1954. With the remit to conserve its unique built heritage and protect its wildlife.

**NB** - Mobile phone reception is limited across the site, with it being highly dependent on the network you are on. In an emergency, please make contact on the phone number above as soon as you are able.

## Arrival & Parking Facilities

There are two main car parks available within the village which are sign posted from the main road which runs through the village.

A small car park within the harbour area, adjacent to the Corner House Tearoom which has a flat tarmac surface with speed bumps. From here you have quick access to the beach via wooden boardwalks, the warren meadow and to the rest of the village. You can also pick up the waypointed circular trail which takes you around the village. It's important to note, due to the nature of the changeable coastal environment, access may be reduced to the beach via the boardwalks as they may become damaged because of winter storms. There is no charge to park and is on a first come basis.



A much larger car park is situated in front of a big white house, known as Glenmona. The surface here is firm but is uneven in places. From here you have quick access to the Glenmona house grounds, the warren meadow, the beach and the rest of the village. You can also pick up the waypointed circular trail which takes you around the village. The main freely accessible toilet facility is located here which is operated by the local council. There is no charge to park and is on a first come basis.



There are refreshment facilities available in the village centre including a village shop, tearoom, pub and some toilet facilities available. These however are not managed by the National Trust.

## Circular Trail

A circular waymarked trail takes you around the village. Depending from your start point, it winds along the Warren meadow near the beach front, Glenmona woodland estate, along the Glendun river and through the village. The walk is approximately 1 mile in total and it takes about 30 minutes to complete this walk at a moderate pace. Paths are mainly made up of firm gravel and grass which can become wet and muddy in poor weather conditions. The trail also crosses the main road and enters the car park areas and along tarred footpaths. The trail has a fairly flat gradient along much of its length but there are some inclines/declines at a number of locations:

- Outdoor gym approximately 1: 8 for 4metres;
- Trail along Glendun river has two areas with slopes of approximately 1: 20 for 20 metres and 1:10 for 10metres

### Please note:

- There may be loose stones on otherwise hardcore surface.
- There are rest benches and picnic tables along this trail.
- There are points where the trail enters areas or open access points to the main road where you could be within the vicinity of moving vehicles, so high supervision of children, vulnerable adults and dogs on leads is suggested.
- There are points where access to water is possible along the riverside path, harbour area and beach so high supervision of children and vulnerable adults is suggested.
- There are some narrower sections along the path.



**Example of Narrow point along the trail.**



The trail can be picked up from both car parks, looking for the directional waypoint markers.

**Waypoint marker is located to the left as you enter the harbour carpark.**



**Waypoint marker is located at the entrance of Glenmona car park. Or if you cross the road to the meadow can be picked up there, leading towards the village.**

## **Additional village walks**

There are other unmarked tracks around the village which are made up of a mixture of gravel, grass and woodland tracks. Many are subject to areas of poor conditions in wet weather.

## **Glenmona garden and lawn**

Glenmona House itself is not generally open to the public. The grounds however are freely accessible to walk around. The entry points are through the main tarmacked entrance and from a grass path which leads from Glenmona car park. The lawn itself can be subject to areas of poor conditions in wet weather. There is a paved area through part of the lawn which leads into a woodland area, which has no designated path and can be muddy underfoot.



**Entrance To Glenmona Grounds from main Bay road**



**Entrance to Glenmona grounds from car park**

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