

Duffield Castle Access Statement

Duffield Castle is located in a 1-hectare site in the village of Duffield; bounded by housing and roads. All that remains of the Castle are the foundations and beautiful views.

Location

Milford Road, Duffield, Derbyshire, DE56 4DW

Contact details

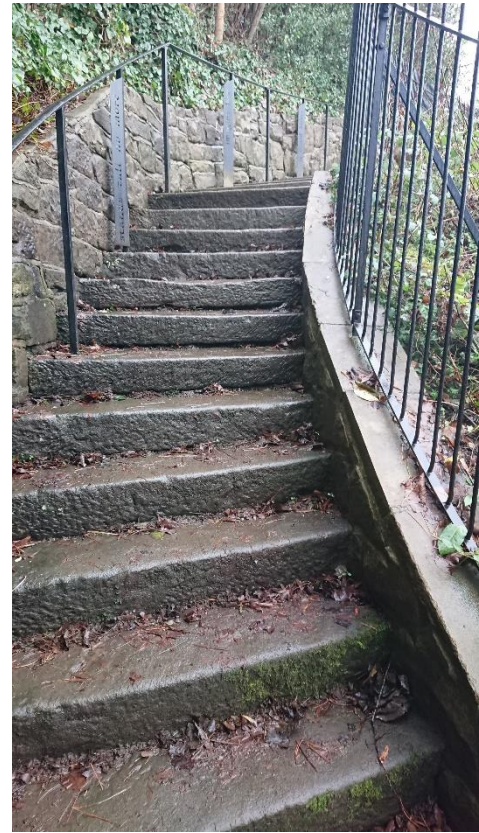
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Key points:

- The site is identified by a branded National Trust sign at the gateway to the Castle.
- The public locate the site via steep steps up to the Castle. These steps are well maintained. There is no lift or ramp available.
- There is no suitable access for wheelchairs or people with mobility issues.
- Upon exiting the steps, there is no defined nor hard standing path. The terrain can be steep in areas.
- There is alternate access via a private residential road to the site which can be arranged with prior knowledge. This route requires the visitor to access the Castle via a hill.
- There is reasonable mobile phone reception across the site.
- Assistance dogs are welcome.
- The ground is mostly grassed and uneven. In poor weather conditions, the ground could become uncertain underfoot.



Private access for National Trust only



Arrival & Parking Facilities

- There are no parking provisions on site.

Toilets and changing facilities

- There are no toilet facilities on site.

Visitor Reception

- There is no Visitor Reception on site.
- There is a visitor information sign which provides interpretation of the Castle, contact information for the National Trust and site hazards and restrictions.



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- The foundations of the Castle are all that remains. These foundations have been altered with concrete and/or tarmac in areas which create an uneven surface.
- There is a step down into the foundations with no alternate access.
- Located within the foundations is a well with a dome shaped stone covering. Should this be damaged, a significant risk could be presented due to the depth of the well.



Grassland

- The terrain features mostly grass which can become muddy and slippery when wet. The space is not far-reaching but is steep and uneven in areas. There are also no firm paths.
- There is a single stone bench located by the Castle.

Date

December 2022