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Friends of Kilminorth Woods

Kilminorth Woods Local Nature Reserve.

There are a number of paths you can choose when walking in the Woods.

This walk is just one suggestion.

Most paths have some steep sections or steps, may be uneven, and can be muddy after rain. However, this trail is mostly on a paved path, with gentle gradients.

It is the most suitable path into the Woods for buggies or people with mobility concerns.

If you have a dog with you, please pick up and dispose of waste in the bin by the gate at the Millpool entrance to the Woods. Thank you.

Enjoy your walk!

Self-Guided Walk

LOOE to the OLD BOATYARD and back.

Allow ½ hour.

Pause for a while at the entrance to Kilminorth Woods.

Can you identify the carvings on the sign board? Are any birds visiting the two feeding tables?

Go through the gate and walk along the paved path.

Oakwoods information post. *Unless it is winter, try to identify the tree behind this post from the shape of its leaves. Clue: look up!*

Pass a seat **π** where the path divides. Continue on the lower paved path, until you come to an information post on your right.

Moths information post. *What colour is the silver washed fritillary?*

A little further on there is a seat **π** opposite the signboard.

Continue over the stream.

This brings you to the old boatyard site, a level open area alongside the West Looe river.

This land was reclaimed to build an additional boatyard during WWII. The boatyard survived until the 1990's. It was an important source of employment in Looe. Look around carefully – what evidence can you see of the boatyard?

There is a seat **π** at the far side of the old boatyard, close to the water's edge.

How many different birds can you see from here? If the tide is low you may see herons, egrets, oyster catchers, curlew, and several varieties of gulls, all feeding on the mud. These mudflats look barren, but actually are teeming with life and provide good feeding grounds.

Retrace your steps to return to Looe.

Notice the redundant telegraph poles!

We hope you have enjoyed your walk! Come again!

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