

Directions to Northaw Great Wood - Grid Ref TL282040

Northaw Great Wood is situated on the B157, The Ridgeway, Northaw, EN6 4BQ.

By car - from the M25

- 1) Exit the M25 at Junction 24
- 2) At the roundabout take the first exit onto the A111, Southgate Road towards Potters Bar.
- 3) At the traffic lights turn right onto the A1000, High Street.
- 4) At the end of the High Street keep to your left and continue on the A1000, Hatfield Road.
- 5) After approx 2 miles turn right onto the B157, Shepherds Way.
- 6) Continue on the B157 (the road becomes The Ridgeway) for approx 1.5 miles.
- 7) Turn left off the main road into Northaw Great Wood (it is signposted). Follow for approx. 200m to the car park. **Please note:** There is a charge of £1 to use this car park.

By train

The nearest train station is Cuffley. See Intalink www.intalink.org.uk and National Rail Enquiries www.nationalrail.co.uk for bus and train information.

By bus from Cuffley Station

An infrequent 'Hail & Ride' bus service 308/380 goes close to the eastern edge of Northaw Great Wood. See Centrebus <http://www.centrebus.info/Documents/308-380%20-%20Hertford%20-%20Cuffley.pdf> for the timetable, or phone 0844 351 1120. After the bus turns right off The Ridgeway to run down Carbone Hill, ask to be set down just before it goes downhill at the service road between houses nos. 23 & 25 (nearly opposite Homewood Lane). The path into the woods from the bottom of this service road links through to the Yellow Trail. Alternatively get off at the crossroads and walk along The Ridgeway to take one of the paths into the wood after the last house on the right ("Woodhill"). See the map below – the bus route is marked in blue and the two possible stopping points are marked with a red S.

Walking from Cuffley Station

The walk to the Carbone Hill entrance is about three-quarters of a mile. See the map below – green track.

Turn right along Tolmers Road and straight through Homewood, then turn left up Carbone Hill to the service road between houses nos. 23 & 25 (nearly opposite Homewood Lane). The path into the woods from the bottom of this service road links through to the Yellow Trail. The stretch up Carbone Hill, though no more than a quarter of a mile, is along a busy road with no pavement, with bends creating limited visibility for pedestrians and vehicles alike. However it's possible to walk off the road on the verge, especially in autumn or winter when the vegetation has died down. (The entrance to the School Camp, which is nearer the exit from Homewood, allows no public access to the wood.)

Alternatively, it is possible to avoid that stretch of Carbone Hill by turning left off Tolmers Road into Tolmers Avenue, then right into Hill Rise and left along Hanyards Road until you reach The Ridgeway. After turning right onto The Ridgeway, go over the crossroads and take one of the paths into the wood after the last house on the right ("Woodhill"). Of course, you can also follow the main road (the bus route).

By taxi from Cuffley Station

Station Cars Cuffley, The Old Waiting Room, Station Road, Cuffley, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 4EY; tel: 01707 873545, are open between 8.30 am and 8.00 pm, and charge approximately £7.00 for the journey to the wood.

