

## What lives here?

### Trees and Shrubs:

Over 40 different species and 40 Veteran trees

### Wildflowers and Grasses:

Over 100 species including county-rare heather and harebells; bluebells; foxgloves

### Ponds:

Our two ponds support county-rare water purslane; newts; frogs; toads

### Mammals:

Roe and muntjac deer; glis glis; foxes; rabbits; badgers; grey squirrels; weasels; stoats

### Birds:

Tawny, barn and little owls; kestrels; buzzards; red kites; woodpeckers; many songbirds and crow species

### Butterflies/Moths:

Over 25 species of butterfly including marbled whites, purple hairstreaks and speckled woods: over 230 macro moth species

### Fungi:

A plethora of interesting Fungi



## Come and see for yourself

Equidistant from Chesham (3 miles), Berkhamsted, Tring and Wendover



### How to get here

Sat Nav: Use Post code HP5 2UH

OS Explorer 181

OS National Grid ref. SP 935070



### Parking in designated areas

- By the Cricket Ground
- Opposite the School
- Top of Horseblock Lane
- By Cholesbury Village Hall



### For more information

[www.hawridgeandcholesburycommons.org](http://www.hawridgeandcholesburycommons.org)



### Local Heritage Study

Hawridge and Cholesbury Commons - see website



### Jubilee Walks - see website



### Email

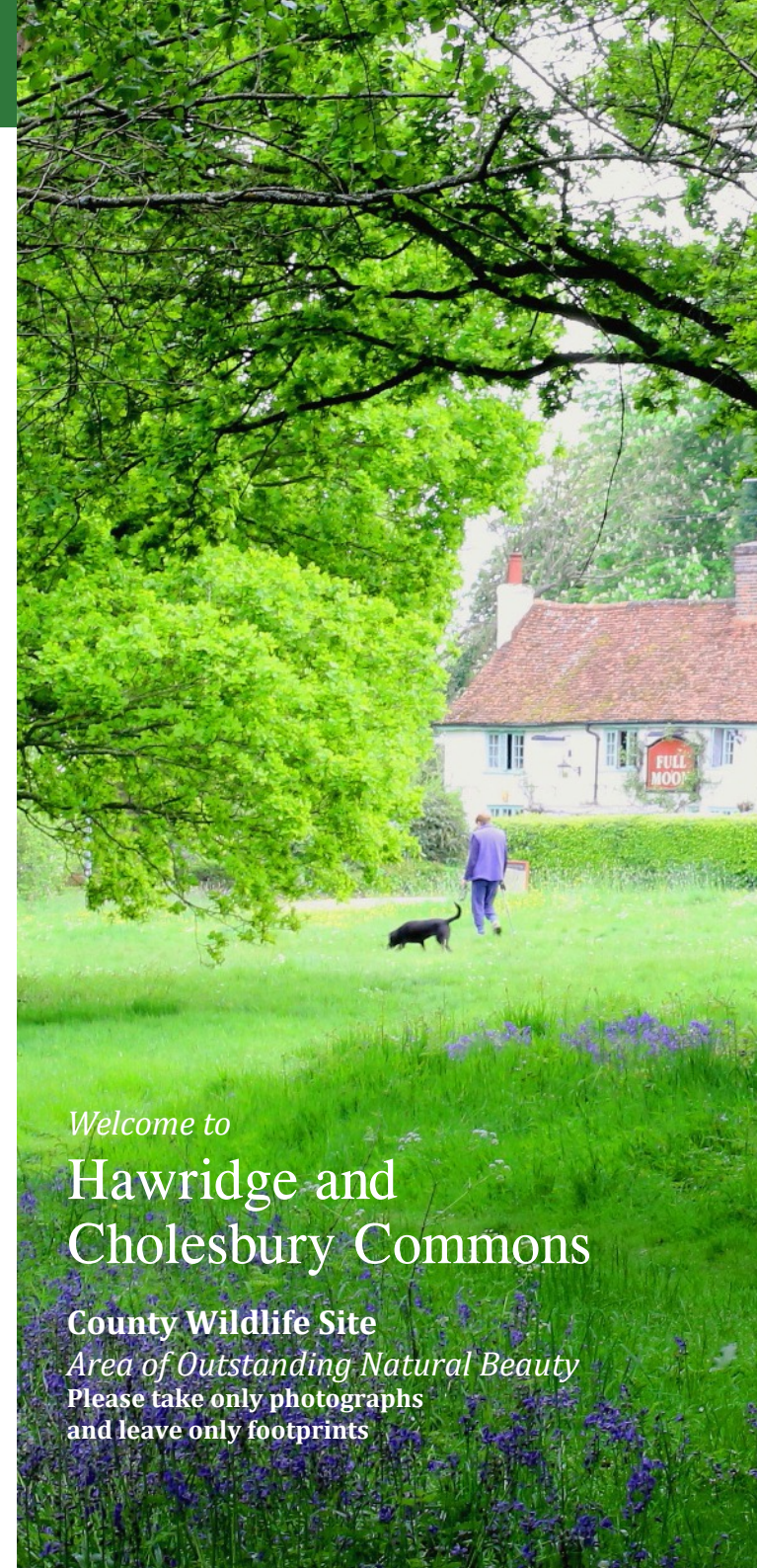
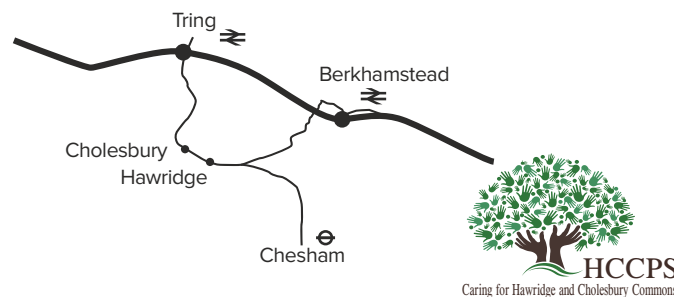
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### Other local websites

[www.cholesbury.com](http://www.cholesbury.com)

[www.hawridgeandcholesbury.hitscricket.com](http://www.hawridgeandcholesbury.hitscricket.com)



Welcome to

## Hawridge and Cholesbury Commons

### County Wildlife Site

*Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty*

Please take only photographs  
and leave only footprints



# The Commons

- Open for all to walk and enjoy
- Attractive walks – gentle footpaths take you around the Commons and beyond
- Permissive horse-rides round the periphery with a cross ride between top and bottom near the Full Moon Pub
- 42 hectares (105 acres) of privately owned Common Land
- Historically, provided summer grazing for those with Rights of Common.
- Once open grassland, now 35% grassland and bracken and 65% deciduous woodland
- Remnants of rare lowland heathland and acid grassland.

## Restrictions:

No cycles, motorised vehicles or drones permitted.



## Things to do

**See our local Websites for forthcoming activities, which include:**

- Cricket matches – enthusiastic players, active training for youngsters
- Legendary teas at Cholesbury Village Hall on some Sunday afternoons in summer
- Beacons for national celebrations
- Learning about local flora/fauna
- Annual August Bank Holiday Fete
- Boxing Day Hunt Meet
- Geocaching
- Excellent local pub food
- Make your own fun!

# Hawridge & Cholesbury Commons Preservation Society

**Formed in 1967, the Society supports the Commons by:**

- Maintaining paths and horse-rides
- Regular pond management
- Regenerating heather and maintaining acid grassland
- Controlling bracken and scrub
- Coppicing hazel
- Keeping the area free of rubbish
- Informing the public – walks/talks/newsletters/website/ Hilltop News
- Organising community events
- Working with the local school children

**You could help by:**

- Becoming a member
- Donating
- Joining conservation group sessions
- Recording wildlife
- Taking photographs for our website, greetings cards and calendars
- Monitoring nesting boxes

