

What is the interactive nature trail?

The interactive nature trail was developed by Team Green Moor, a group of volunteers from the area, and funded by TESCOs Bags of Help monies. The trail has been designed for both children and adults to share and learn about the broad biodiversity in our community's green spaces. The trail is of particular benefit to younger children, introducing them to the natural world which they will take into adulthood.

Give yourself a tick if you've seen any of these below ✓



Bullfinch



Chaffinch



Coal Tit



Blackbird (male)



Blue Tit



Wren



Goldfinch



Great Tit



Hare



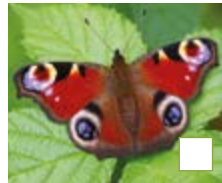
House Sparrow



Small White butterfly



Red Admiral butterfly



Peacock butterfly



Honey bee



Bank Vole



Buff-tailed bumblebee



Robin



Starling



Ladybird



Garden spider



Kestrel



Goldcrest



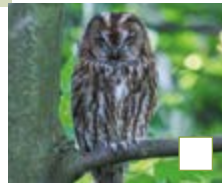
Great-spotted Woodpecker



Long-tailed Tit



Song Thrush



Tawny Owl



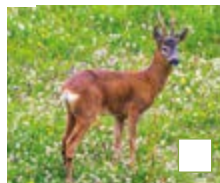
Scarlet elf cap fungi



Hedgehog



Fox



Roe Deer buck



Grey Squirrel



Burnet moth



Comma butterfly

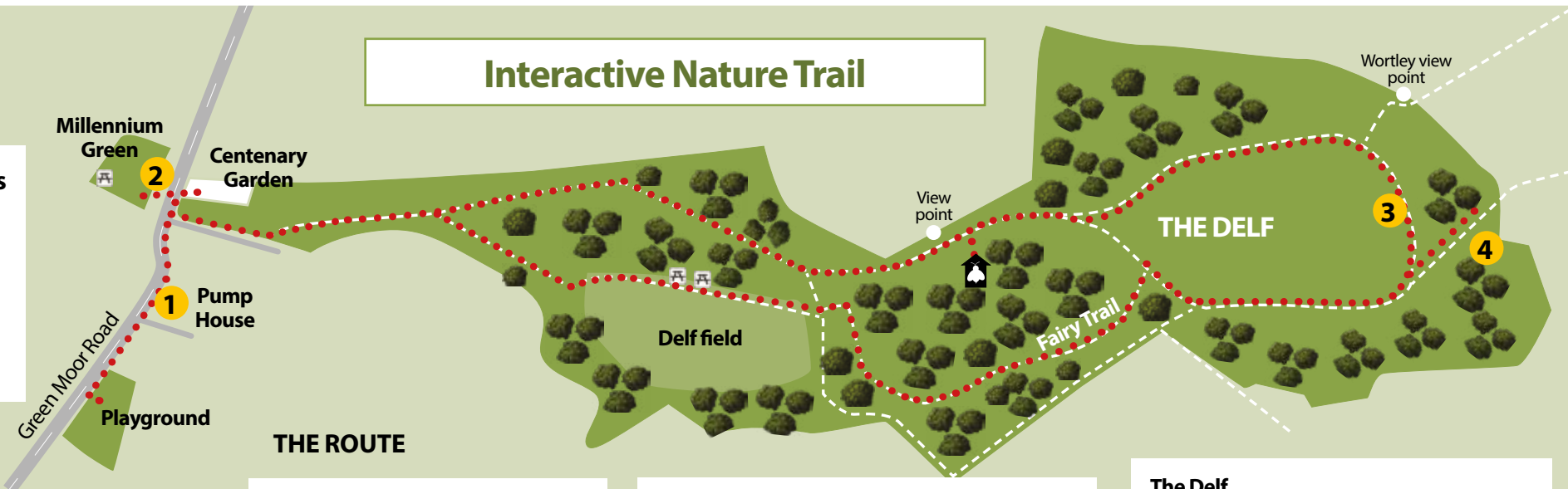
Green Moor Interactive Nature Trail



Interactive Nature Trail

Heritage plaques

- 1 Pump house
- 2 Stocks
- 3 60 steps well
- 4 RIGS site



THE ROUTE

What can be found on the trail?

This former quarry area has installed throughout the trail, display boards, Heritage plaques, waymarkers, bug houses, bird and bat boxes, benches and picnic tables. The display boards highlight the broad range of flora and fauna that can be found in that area, whilst the waymarkers mark the trail that can be followed around the Delf and have etched toppers for children to make crayon rubbings.

The trail runs through the main part of the village; the playground, Pump house, Millennium Green, Centenary Garden, and then up in to the Delf; a wooded and heathland area. On the Delf you can find a recreational field edged with trees, wildflowers and picnic tables to sit and enjoy the day; a Regionally important geological and geomorphological site (RIGS); the rediscovered Fairy Trail, and the remains of the 60-steps well.

Playground

Start on Green Moor Road at the playground where you can find the first display board. The main visual impact here is the range and variety of planting; trees, shrubs, perennials and annuals. Throughout the year there is something to see but its finest colourful displays come in spring and summer and include its Incredible Edible plants - use your senses to see, touch, smell and taste. Next to the playground is the small grassy area, Pickford's Gap, with a fernery and old quarry stones.

Pump house

From the playground take a right and walk along Green Moor Road towards the Pump house 1 on your right. The building was restored in 2001 and had been the main source of water to the community until 1951. The structure is open on Heritage Weekend.

Millennium Green

Continue along the main road to the Millennium Green on your left. To the right of the gate are the stocks 2 which were moved to this location in 1937 to commemorate the coronation of King George VI. Through the gate on the green, which was created on land donated to the community by Ivy Bacon who lived in the original Rock Cottage next to the green, you will find the story stones, flower borders, a rockery and shrubs and a further display board showing the range of wildlife that can be spotted from here. Take a seat and drink in the view across the Trunce Valley and beyond.

Centenary Garden and Telephone Green

Cross over Green Moor Road to the Centenary Garden with its display of fruit trees, shrubs, perennial and herb borders and annual displays. A quiet, sunny space for contemplation. When leaving the garden turn left and left again on to the telephone green. The old phone box is used as a library and information box; leave a book; choose a book. Walk along the telephone green and up in to the Delf.

The Delf

On entering the Delf follow the path to the first fork and the first way marker taking you left. Follow the path to the second marker; along here you will find a seat that takes in views across Thurgoland and a short distance from here is a short path leading into the wood to a nature area with a bug house, wildlife hedges and bird feeders. Back on to the main path, continue until you reach a fork in the trail and the next wildlife display board and a way marker taking you left. The paths loops around the Delf and includes a further view point overlooking Wortley, the remains of the 60-steps well 3 and a path leading off to the left to the RIGS site 4 (take a while to look at this board and discover the site's ancient history). Back on to the loop, follow it round to a further two waymarkers which take you on to the Fairy Trail with its fairy doors, wild garlic, wild strawberries and a den along the way. At the end of this path you will see the Delf field. Walk across the field to the right and it will bring you back down to the telephone green and Green Moor Road.