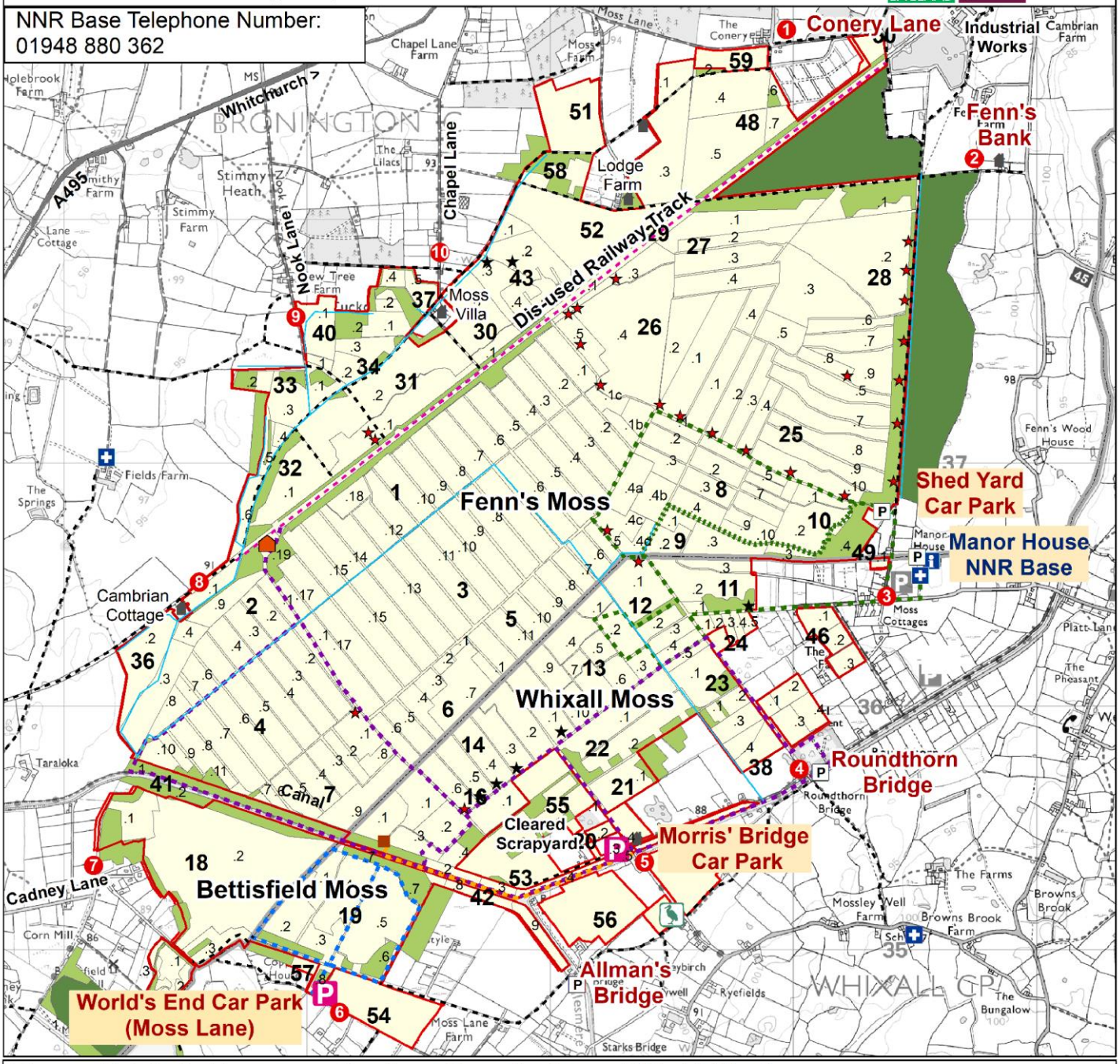
Fenn's, Whixall and Bettisfield Mosses National Nature Reserve (NNR)

Site Access and Safety Map.

NNR Base Telephone Number:
01948 880 362



*Access Points for Emergency Services: Co-ordinates and What 3 Words

1: SJ 504 387 clipboard. puff. shave
2: SJ 508 382 brother. funds. rant
3. SJ 504 365 bulge. lease. loans
4. SJ 500 358 layers. parading. falters
5. SJ 493 355 update. sleep. rhino
6. SJ 480 348 leave. texts. spoils
7. SJ 472 352 decorated. ruins. strays
8. SJ 477 366 bats. renewals. edits
9. SJ 480 373 thud. haircuts. altering
10. SJ 485 377 gears. saddens. tweed

Manor House NNR base:
SJ 505 366 overlaps. changed. private

Key

Hazards	Visitor Information	Trails and PROW	Site Information
Access Points *	Main Car Park	Public Rights of Way	NNR Boundary
Unstable Deep Pits	Minor Car Park	Easy Access Trail	English/Welsh border
Fire Pool with Red Point Post	Boardwalk/ Tower	Mosses Trail	Broadleaf Woodland
Fenn's Old Works (Dangerous Building)	NNR Reserve Base	History Trail	Conifer Woodland
Major Ditches	Local Houses	HistoryTrail Diversion	Management Sections
	Bird Hide	Bettisfield Trail	
	Defibrillator	Permissive path - *vehicle access by permission only*	

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FENN'S, WHIXALL & BETTISFIELD MOSSES NATIONAL NATURE RESERVE SITE SAFETY ADVICE JUNE 2026

First aid kits are held in Natural England machinery/vehicles, with staff and at the Manor House NNR Base**. IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 999.**
A Defibrillator is held at the Manor House NNR Base**. Other defibrillators** are at – Whixall Social Centre, Whixall Primary School, Whixall Marina, Maelor Nurseries. **For further information visit** - www.defibfinder.uk
Seek help from: Manor House National Nature Reserve Base 01948 880362; Senior Reserve Manager Pete Bowyer 07974 784795; Reserve Manager Steve Dobbin 07826 530767; Reserve Manager Nathan Brake 07880 462288; Reserve Manager Ellie Williams 07880 462312.
Out of hours NNR Site Staff – 07787 222462

- Please Keep to the Trails for your own safety - The site is extensive and disorientating and has rough tussocky vegetation. There are drains throughout the site. The ditch sides can be unstable and have overhanging vegetation – never jump across ditches. Weil's disease may be present in the water. There are many deep steep-sided pits and pools, ditches, cracks and fire pools and there are areas of unstable peat. Do not walk on flooded tracks, or on boggy areas.
- Adders - Occur throughout the site. Look carefully before sitting down/touching the ground. Always wear wellingtons/stout footwear. If bitten remain calm and keep the part of the body that has been bitten as still as possible to prevent the spread of venom around the body. Remove jewellery/watches from the bitten limb. Loosen clothing if possible. Keep the casualty still and calm. Seek immediate medical attention by dialling 999.
- During the summer carry water and wear a hat/use sunscreen to prevent sunstroke and heat exhaustion.
- Biting/stinging insects, particularly horseflies are common so consider using an insect repellent. Bites/stings may cause anaphylactic shock – if this happens, seek immediate medical attention by dialling 999.
- Always leave your destination and expected time of return with someone who can alert emergency services/site staff if you fail to return within 2 hours of the allotted time.
- Dogs - Are only allowed on the Trails and Public Rights of Way. They must be always kept on leads on the parts of the Trails on the moss to prevent disturbance to wildlife, their being bitten by adders or becoming stuck in ditches/boggy areas. On Public Rights of Way, they must be kept under effective control at all other times. Please clear up after your dog.
- No smoking on the site - The Mosses are a fire hazard in suitable weather conditions. If a fire is discovered immediately ensure you retreat to a safe location - Alert the fire services by dialling 999 - Say Fenn's, Whixall & Bettisfield Mosses National Nature Reserve - Give the location of the fire and the wind direction - ALERT the Senior Reserve Manager (number above)
- Trees - Avoid trees in high winds; keep off wet brash mats; watch for cut tree stumps. Trees on bogs have shallow roots so can be unstable. They also may drop limbs at any time.
- Game is shot on Fenn's Moss. Consult with the Senior Reserve Manager over shooting dates if visiting between October and February or see lists at Reserve entrances.
- Keep away from wells and old Reserve buildings - The Fenn's Old Works on the railway line has dangerous cladding, rusting floors, old partly dismantled machinery and a deep well. Do not enter and avoid the area of Fenn's Old Works in high winds. Nook Lane field has a capped well.
- Old incendiary bombs and bullets may be found on North-East Fenn's Moss. Do not pick these or any other metal objects up.
- Site plant and machinery can be dangerous. Keep away from working site staff, volunteers, and contractors.