

# Easier Access Stroll: North Common, Hayling Island

A short stroll through natural scrub and along the shoreline of Chichester Harbour, with splendid views to Emsworth and the South Downs as a backdrop in the distance. There is a kissing gate and a 1-bar gate with a RADAR padlock at the start and the path is suitable for those using a wheelchair/mobility scooter for about half the total distance. This is also a good location for bird watching in the wintertime.



 **2km (1¼ miles);**

 **Flat**

 **OS Explorer 120 or use OSmaps app**

 **Easy**

 **Small free car park with height barrier in the village of Northney**

 **Stagecoach 31 and alight on the bridge just before the first petrol station on the left hand side where there is a footpath that starts at the rear of the premises 2km from the start of the walk.**

**Langstone**

**Hayling Island**

**Northney**

**Wildlife Watching**  
The scrub and glades here are good for watching wildlife all year round. In wintertime this is a good location for spotting the Harbour birds.

The view across the saltmarsh is to Northney Marina.

You will notice old crumbling walls surrounding the saltmarsh. This used to be the boating lake for a holiday camp many years ago and the houses behind were built on the original site of the camp.

The view into the Harbour is of Sweare Deep and to the right you can see Emsworth. The South Downs are in the distance.

Head to the rear of the petrol station to pick up the footpath

The scrub on the left is important for wildlife.

The path here was improved some years ago to be suitable for people who use a wheelchair/mobility scooter.

The path surface is informal at this end of North Common. Look carefully on your return and you may see a concrete surface which was a road for the holiday camp.

**Start** in the small free car park in the village of Northney and go through the kissing gate.

There is a café with toilets at Northney Farm



-  Picnic spots
-  Café or pub
-  Information panel
-  Sailing Club
-  Harbour Office
-  Toilets
-  Parking
-  Bus stop
-  Boatyard
-  Church

**Waypoints**  
1. SU 728 037 2. SU 731 036

**Walkers** - please keep to the public footpath network.

**Dog Walkers** - please keep your dog under control and give wildlife some space.

**Cyclists** - cyclists do not have a right of way on public footpaths.



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