

The Randolph

Reydon, Southwold











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SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL REPORTING TOOL

To report a Highways issue and monitor the status of existing reports, scan this QR code or visit the Suffolk County Council website **www.suffolk.gov.uk**

Footpaths, bridleways and byways in Reydon are marked on the wider scale map with a number. The number can be given when using the Reporting Tool.

REYDON INFORMATION

REYDON PARISH COUNCIL

WEBSITE www.reydonvillage.org or scan this QR code

E-MAIL clerk@reydonvillage.org

WILDLIFE SITES IN AND AROUND THE PARISH OF REYDON

Reydon is located within the Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape. The parish incorporates numerous, varied and valuable wildlife habitats. Many of the richest and most biodiverse sites are located around the parish boundary. Most of the sites are easily accessed by using the network of footpaths within and around the village. A small number of the sites are located on private land and are to be enjoyed from more distant viewpoints. Access routes and notable characteristics of the sites can be found on the Reydon Parish Council website.

The main wildlife areas of interest include:

REYDON MARSHES: An area of grazing marshes, pastures and reed-lined drainage ditches stretching to the north bank of the River Blyth. Of year-round interest, but an important site for wintering wildfowl and waders, including curlew.

WOLSEY CREEK MARSHES: An area of wetland and reedbed adjacent to Wolsey Creek and Hen Reedbeds.

HEN REEDBEDS: An extensive area of wetland and reedbed habitat just to the west of the parish of Reydon. The habitat includes fens, dykes and pools with extensive reedbeds.

WANGFORD QUARRY RESTORATION AREA: A recently restored gravel quarry incorporating an area of acid grassland habitat adjacent to the Hen Reedbeds.

REYDON WOOD: A mature, sensitively managed wood with a variety of different woodland habitats. An important site for a variety of flora and fauna, some of which are nationally endangered.

SMEAR MARSHES AND POTTERS BRIDGE MARSHES: A nationally significant area of freshwater marsh and reedbed managed by Natural England. A key breeding site for Bittern and Marsh Harrier, amongst others.

EASTON BROAD AND EASTON BAVENTS: A lagoon, coastal and cliff habitat just south of Pakefield and Easton Bavents SSSI. The landscape is constantly changing due to coastal erosion.

BUSS CREEK AND BUSS CREEK MARSHES: Buss Creek stretches from Southwold Pier car park to the River Blyth, passing under Mights Bridge, the bridge connecting Reydon and Southwold. Buss Creek forms the parish boundary between Southwold and Reydon. The habitat includes the freshwater creek, large areas of reedbed, marsh and scrub.

REYDON HISTORY TRAIL

The Reydon History Trail is a circular walk of around 8 miles, starting from the Pillbox at Mights Bridge (parking is nearby at the Millenium Car Park just along from the Southwold side of the bridge). The trail visits sixteen Points of Interest. Each will, in due course, be marked by a post with a QR code from which full information about each place can be accessed. The Points of Interest are:

- The restored WWI Pillbox at Mights Bridge.
- Buss Creek which was tidal until 1967 when a sluice was built separating it from the River Blyth.
- The Harbour Inn just in Southwold where the level of the 1953 flood is shown.
- The disused drainage wind pump inside the river wall on Reydon Marshes.
- The site of the former Reydon Quay which was an important loading/unloading dock for Wherries using the canalised river to transport goods to Halesworth.
- The old Quay Inn, now a domestic house, which was a busy watering hole for sailors and quay workers.
- The Reydon solar farm which was formerly the site of neolithic encampments and medieval settlement.
- St Felix School whose buildings date back to its relocation from Southwold in the 1920s.
- WWII bunkers built for safety for pupils and teachers when there was threat of air raids.
- St Margaret of Antioch Church (originally the mother church for Reydon and Southwold) and the tiny first school in Reydon from the 1860s.
- The site of Reydon's secondary school which opened in the 1960s but closed in 1990.
- The Rest, Reydon's almshouses built in 1902 for residents of Southwold.
- The Village Hall, a 1970s wooden framed "kit" building which was erected when a much grander post-war plan was abandoned as unaffordable.
- Sea defences north of Southwold Pier which give a view of the remnants of Easton Bavents, once a large settlement extending a mile into what is now sea.
- The site of the Battle of Sole Bay in 1672, part of the Anglo-Dutch Wars.
- Anti-tank defences from WWII.

Return alongside the eastern section of Buss Creek.

WALKING AND CYCLING IN REYDON

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