

Lonsdale District Scout Council.

T. W. Helme Memorial Campsite.

Littledale Scout Activity Centre.

Littledale,
Nr. Brookhouse, Caton,
Lancaster. LA2 9EX.

Sat Nav N 54° 3' 19" W 2° 41' 03"

Tel: 01524 770268.

(O.S. Map 97 Ref: 553 623)

Location.

Littledale Scout Activity Centre is situated south of the village of Brookhouse and is eight miles from Lancaster and the site is only eleven miles from Morecambe Bay, It is set in the Forest of Bowland, which is an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB).

Littledale is ideal for most Scouting and Guiding or outdoor pursuits.

The campsite is set in fourteen acres of pleasantly wooded valley, bounded on the west side by Artle Beck.

To the South of the site are the moorland fells of the Forest of Bowland and to the North of the campsite you may go down to the Lune Valley and the River Lune.

The Campsite is suitable for all types of Camping.

The Beck is not suitable for Canoeing.

How to find us.

From the M6 Junction 34 follow the road signs for Caton (2 Miles)

When you come to the mini roundabout (after the Petrol Station) in Caton turn right and follow the signs for Brookhouse.

** In Brookhouse you stay on the main road and you need to turn right just before the Black Bull (signs for Littledale). Follow this road for 2 miles; do not turn off this road until you reach New House Farm crossroads.

Turn right signposted Quernmore and go down the hill for fifty yards.

The campsite entrance is on the right just before the bridge over the beck.

From Yorkshire follow the A65 from Skipton, just after Ingleton turn left and follow the Motorway and Lancaster signs (A687, then becoming the A683 just before Melling).

Continue following the signs for the Motorway and Lancaster until you come to the village of Caton.

In Caton at the mini roundabout turn left and continue as above from**

LONG PANTHER LODGE - LITTLEDALE.



This newly refurbished double-glazed building with some facilities for wheelchair users. This building has facilities for 30 people, in six dormitories with wooden bunk beds with mattresses.

Room sleeping sizes (4 x 6, 1 x 2, 1 x 4).

The kitchen now has been updated with Stainless Steel worktops, 6-burner Gas Cooker and a water heater.

There is also a small commercial Fridge and Freezer.

Crockery and Cooking Utensils for 30 people are provided. A new Entrance and Outdoor Coat room with heaters for drying wet coats and boots.

For the colder weather there is now central heating installed within the lodge.

The lodge has its own indoor toilets suitable for wheelchair users, two washrooms and three showers.

The 25 ft square dining room doubles up as an activity room when there is bad weather.

The lodge is also a suitable venue for larger training courses for youngsters and adults alike.

The doors on the (4 x 6, 1 x 2, 1 x 4) have been widened to allow access for the wheelchair users.

The Lodge has been approved as a suitable place for Brownie Pack Holidays.

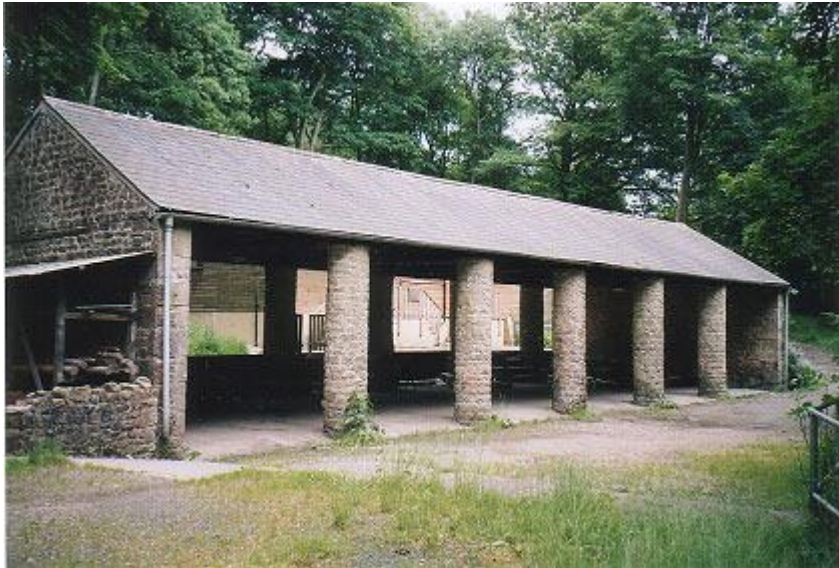
Items that you need to bring to the campsite.

Tea Towels, Sleeping Bags, Pillows, Personal Washing Equipment, Matches for the Gas Cooker, Food and Drink.

The Toilet block.

The toilet block with hot showers is available for the groups that are Camping.
There are also toilets available for wheel chair users.
There are water points on site by the Main Buildings.

The Barn.



The barn is an open sided barn, which was part of the old mill complex.
It is a multipurpose area for wet weather activities.
It is open for all to use, both campers and groups using Long Panther Lodge.

Camping Areas.

The Main Field.

This is ideal for camping with large numbers, or two small camps.
It is suitable for team games or large group activities.

The Floodplain.

This is near to the beck and is ideal if you wish to include for example:
A small raft building while on your camp. It is large enough for Troop or Pack Camps.

The Lowfield.

Is suitable for small Troop or Pack Camps.
The camping area is also near the beck and is an ideal area for trying pioneering
while on you camp.

The Top Field.

Has direct access from the Littledale road. The camping area is suitable for one large camp
or two small camps with enough space left for team game or activities.

Silver Birch.

Has access from the Littledale road by a single small gate.
The area is large enough for Troop or Pack Camps.

The Bowl.

Is the flat area by the beck at the far end of the campsite.
A car park has been made on the Littledale road for cars to use when we open this part of the
campsite for camping in the near future.

At the moment people using the campsite can use it for special activities that they may need to do away from the camping areas, e.g. wide games. At certain times of the year the greenery can be used for making bivvys.

General Information.

The campsite has an Open Air Chapel and a Campfire Circle set on a wooded hillside. The main field is ideal for having joint activities, team games etc with other campers. The beck itself is suitable for bridge building, pioneering, small rafts but NOT canoeing. The wooded areas are great for tracking, nature trails, ornithology etc. The cliffs along the beck are not safe for climbing or abseiling, but the crags nearby are suitable. We also have a telephone call box on the campsite.

Fires.

Wood fires are allowed on all camping areas by using Alter Fires Only, which we have available for the campers only. Fires Must NOT be lit directly on the grass. There is also a campfire circle and seating area near to the beck, to the left hand side of the Barn and Long Panther Lodge.

First Aid.

Groups should provide their own general First Aid equipment. Any accidents should be reported to the campsite warden.

Souvenirs & Tuck Shop.

The shop has Scouting and other souvenirs and badges, sweets etc. The Booking Secretary will arrange for it to be open during your visit.

Churches.

Brookhouse and Caton have churches for all major denominations.

Shops.

Caton has a Co-op Late Shop, Newsagent, Butcher, Chemist and a Post Office.

Additional Information.

Littledale is within one hour of the Lake District. The Trough of Bowland is about half an hour away. Lancaster, Morecambe, Blackpool, Ingleton, the Yorkshire Dales and the caves at Clapham are ideal for day trips out. Canoeing can be done on the River Lune, which is two miles from Littledale. Please consult our local Activities Advisor before you come if you wish to go Canoeing. Archery is also available through the warden at an extra cost.

A full copy of the Campsite Health & Safety Policy Document is available at the Campsite.

Just in Case.

Caton Health Centre.	Tel: 770718.
Hornby Road, Caton.	Open Monday to Friday but the times may vary.
Royal Lancaster Infirmary.	Tel: 01524 65944.
Ashton Road, Lancaster.	

LITTLEDALE RULES.

1. All camps should be conducted in accordance with normal Scouting standards.
2. Vehicles must be kept in the car parks. They must not go on the main field and must not be parked on the roadside by the top fields.
3. Standing timber must not be cut.
4. Wet pits, dry pits or fire places must not be dug on the Main, Low or Flood Plain camping areas. Non-burnable rubbish to be bagged and left in the special area by the gate.
5. Toilet and Shower block should be kept and left in a clean condition please.
6. Stone throwing into the beck will not be tolerated. Leaders please note, part of the beck can be dangerous in certain conditions.
7. There are dangerous cliffs on the Camp Site. Will all Leaders please tell your campers not to wander off on their own and to take care when near them.
8. Most of the damage is found to be in or around the Lodge. Beds and dormitories are to be used only for sleeping and quiet activities, not for boisterous games. Leaders must ensure that people are not disturbed at night.
9. Any damage done will be charged for.
10. No dogs are allowed on the campsite.
11. No Caravans or Motorhomes are allowed on the campsite.

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LITTLEDALE.

This is the way you will approach
the Littledale Camp Site from the
Motorway Junction 34, Lancaster,
or Yorkshire.

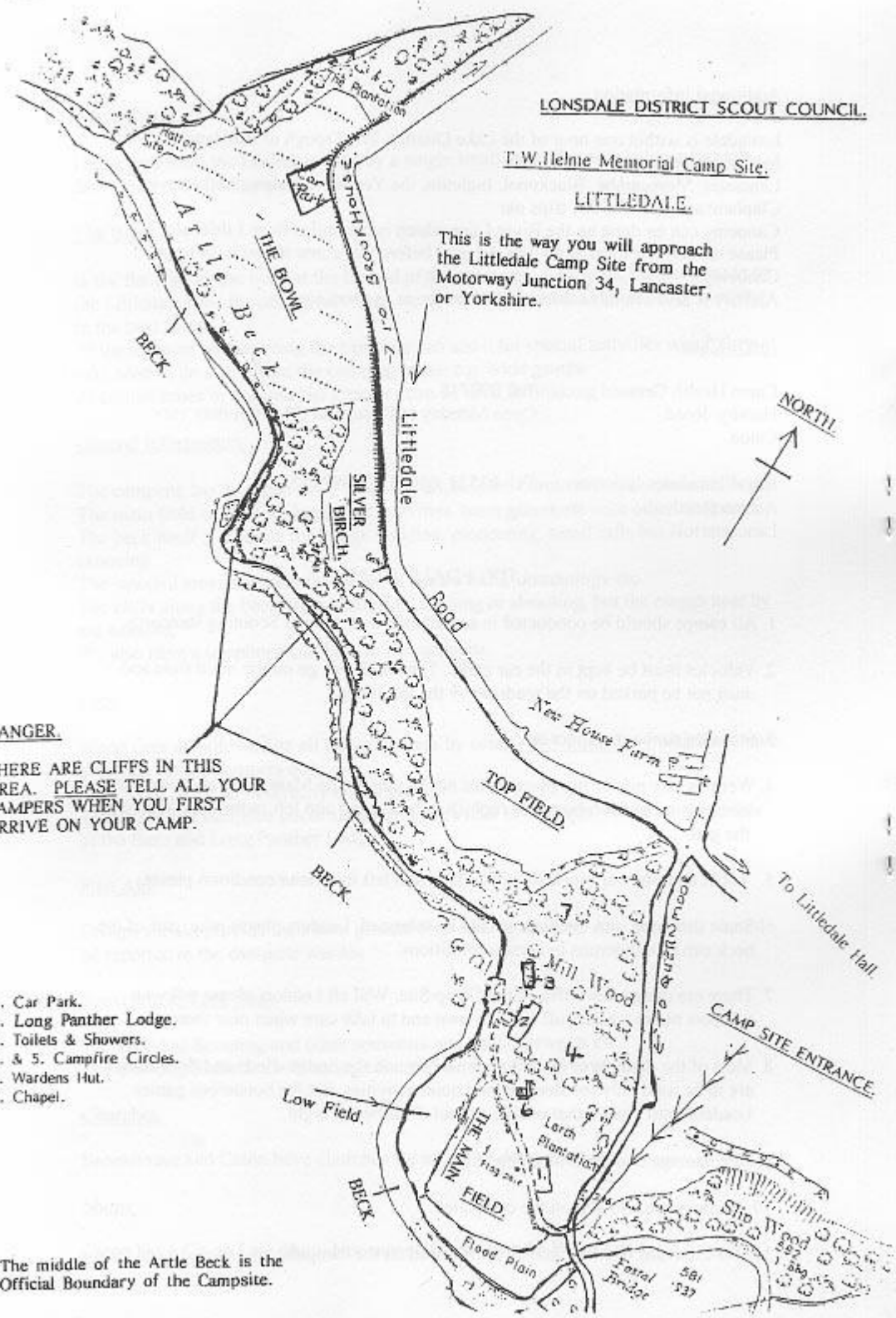


DANGER.

THERE ARE CLIFFS IN THIS
AREA. PLEASE TELL ALL YOUR
CAMPERS WHEN YOU FIRST
ARRIVE ON YOUR CAMP.

1. Car Park.
2. Long Panther Lodge.
3. Toilets & Showers.
4. & 5. Campfire Circles.
6. Wardens Hut.
7. Chapel.

The middle of the Artle Beck is the
Official Boundary of the Campsite.



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