

Accessibility guide for Heal Somerset

This guide is designed to help you plan your visit to Heal Somerset. We update it regularly with details of new accessibility improvements, so we recommend checking before each visit.

Key information

- Address: Heal Somerset, Lower West Barn Farm, Bindon Lane, Witham Friary, BA11 5HH
- Car park What3words: ///nitrogen.clings.skirting. If using google maps 'Heal Somerset' takes you straight to the car park
- Opening times: Open 24 hours a day, year-round (closed between Christmas and New Year)
 - Staffed hours: Monday–Friday, 09:00–17:00 (staff are in the Heal farmhouse)
- Website: www.healsomerset.org.uk
- Visitor information: [Plan your visit](#)

Contacts

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Travel by public transport

There is no local bus service to Heal Somerset.

Nearest railway stations:

- Frome (7.7 miles, approx. 15 minutes by car)
- Bruton (6.1 miles, approx. 15 minutes by car)
- Castle Cary (10.5 miles, approx. 25 minutes by car)

Please note: these stations do not have taxi ranks. Taxis must be pre-booked:

- Ace Taxis, Gillingham – 01747 441612
- Taxi4You, Wincanton – 07598 108317 (larger cars available, card accepted)

- A2B Taxis, Westbury – 07980 804742 (larger cars available, card accepted)
- Craig's Taxi, Castle Cary – 07563 612473
- Anzford Cars, Castle Cary – 07831 249441
- Andy's Cabs, Frome – 07949 717277
- Domyan Cars – 07446 897660 (airport, local and long-distance journeys)

Visitor Car Park

- Parking costs £3 per day and must be pre-booked: [Book parking](#)
- Wooden signposts labelled 'car park' and a 'Heal Somerset' banner show the entrance to the car park (see below picture)



From the car park:

- **Eastern Fields:** accessed from the rear of the car park, no road crossing required

- The surface is hardstanding into Eastern Fields. The paths around Eastern Fields are then mowed grass.
- **Southern Fields:** accessed directly opposite the car park entrance via a large wooden gate (road crossing required)
 - The surface is tarmac to cross the road. The paths around Southern Fields are then mowed grass.
- **Info station, community nature barn and campsite:** exit the car park, turn right, walk 15 metres on the road, then immediately turn left onto the track. Follow the track to reach the welcome hut and then the community nature barn. Continue up the track until you reach the campsite.
 - The surface is tarmac along the road, it then becomes concrete with gravel up to the info station, community nature barn and campsite.

⚠ There is no street lighting or pavement along the road, or in the visitor car park. Please take care and be aware of vehicles.



Road outside the visitor car park



Gate entrance to events space in Southern Fields. The gate latch is at an accessible height.



Track entrance leading to welcome hut, community nature barn, campsite and paths in Southern Fields

Toilets

- Toilets are available 24 hours a day, but none are currently wheelchair accessible
- **Compost toilet:** located by the community nature barn
- **Plumbed toilets:** three available inside the farmhouse for events held inside, please see pictures below (step access)



Heal Farmhouse (office and events space)

- To reach the farmhouse from the visitor car park: turn right onto the road, walk 50 metres, then turn right through the main gate. ⚠ No street lighting or pavement
- There is a small staff car park in front of the farmhouse, if you require closer access to the farmhouse please get in touch and we will save you a space there
- **Entrance:** two small steps (120mm height difference). Door is manual, side-hung, 930mm wide



View of farmhouse from the road



Hardstanding path leading to the farmhouse, there is a step down before the doorway and a step up into the farmhouse



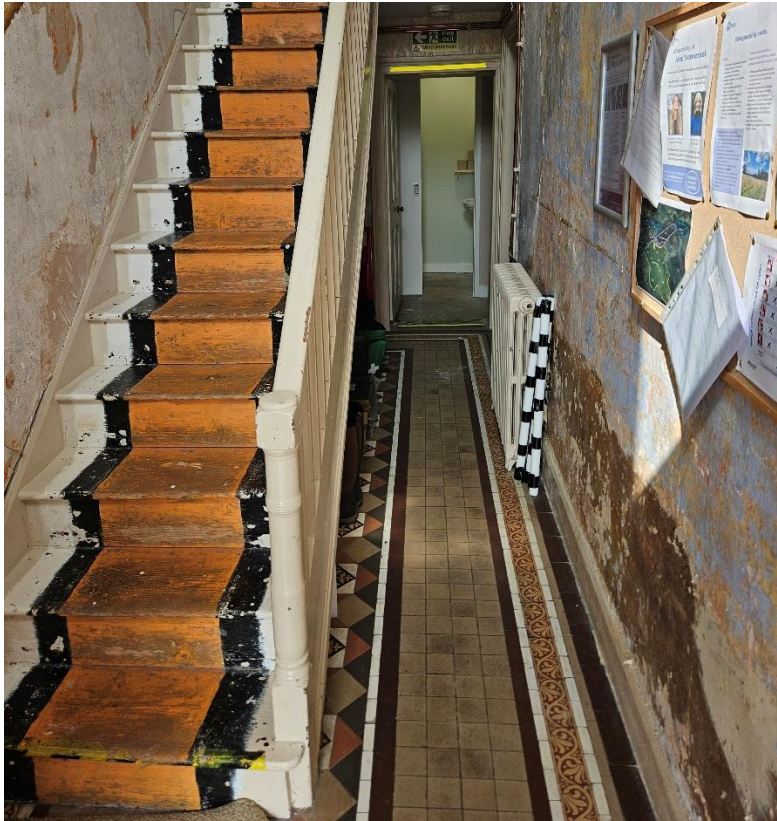
Step before the doorway



Same step, but on the way out

Meeting room / events space:

- Step-free access from the main entrance
- Door width: 860mm
- Conference table clearance: 740mm



Entrance hallway



Meeting room / events space

Walking trails

- Most trails are mown paths through grass; others follow vehicle tracks with uneven, loose surfaces and dips up to 300mm
- Trails include both flat and sloping sections. All trails are accessible with the all-terrain mobility scooter
- Trails may become muddy and waterlogged after wet weather
- There are currently no benches or resting points



Mowed path

Accessibility equipment

- **All-terrain mobility scooter (Tramper):** available for free hire. To guarantee availability, please book at least one week in advance via somerset@healrewilding.org.uk
- **BSL interpreters:** available for events on request with reasonable notice



All terrain mobility scooter pictured in the middle

Emergency evacuation procedures

- The main office has fire alarms with flashing lights
- Guests will be escorted to the fire assembly point outside the farmhouse

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