

Access Land around Barbon

Access Land in the Barbon area allows you to explore, on foot, some of England's most spectacular landscapes. Together with the Public Rights of Way network, there are many opportunities to enjoy the wider area. The map on this board shows nearby access land.

Barbon

Barbon nestles peacefully in the Lune valley on the western fringe of the Yorkshire Dales. The Middleton and Barbon fells have a geological affinity with the Howgills and the low fells of South Lakeland. Their steep sides and gentle domed summits are formed from the sandstones and shales laid down in the Silurian era (about 415-430 million years ago).

The Dent fault runs along Barbondale to reveal on its eastern flank the limestone scenery typical of the Pennines and Yorkshire Dales. Some impressive limestone features can be found alongside Ease Gill and Leck Beck.

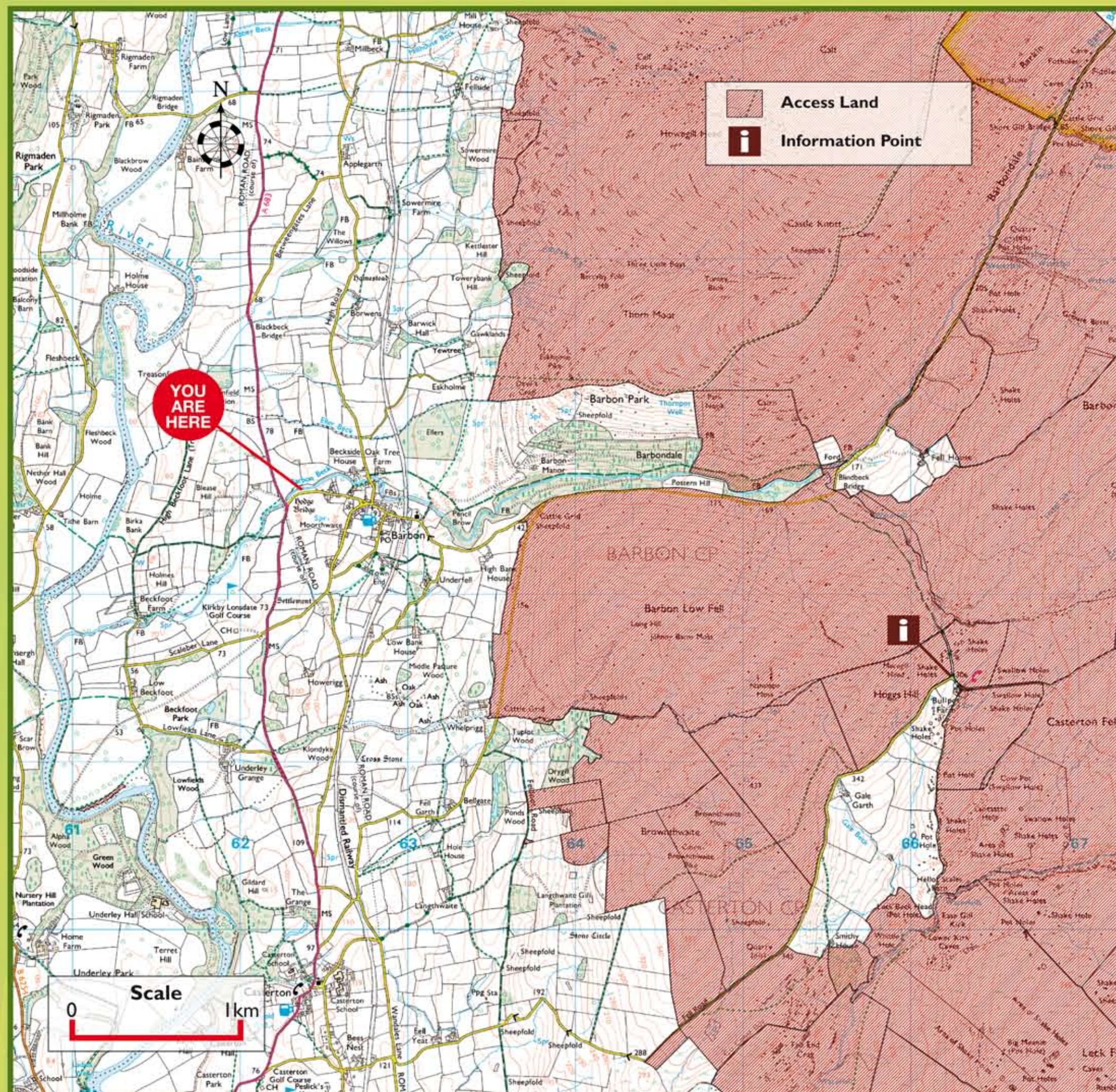


The Ease Gill area with its sinkholes and potholes has one of the most extensive cave networks in Britain.



There are a number of ground nesting birds breeding in the area: for example, Curlew, Lapwing, Grouse, Skylark, Wheatear and Meadow pipit.

To give them the chance to rear their young successfully, please be careful not to disturb them during the breeding period. You can do this by keeping to visible tracks and keeping your dog on a lead.



When you see this symbol it shows that land may be open for public access on foot. Access rights for other activities may also exist



This symbol shows there are no public access rights beyond where it is displayed



The right of access on foot also applies to wheelchair users. Where reasonably possible gates have been provided to allow access although please note that open country is open very rough terrain

For further information contact Cumbria County Council on 01228 601052

The Visitor's Code

Respect ... Protect ... Enjoy

- Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Keep dogs under close control
- Do not light or cause fire
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Consider other people



With rights... ...come responsibilities

You are welcome to explore the access land in the Barbon area, but remember that the area is privately owned, an important habitat for wildlife and a home and place of work for many people. Please exercise your rights responsibly.

- Please use the Public Rights of Way Network or other signposted routes to get to access land – look out for the access symbol
- Be careful. Access land can be rough to walk over. Keep your eyes open for hidden holes and other hazards

Dogs in the countryside

On Access land:

- Keep your dog on a fixed short lead between 1 March and 31 July. This is to protect ground nesting birds from disturbance
- Local restrictions may include a ban on dogs
- Note that dog restrictions do not apply to guide/hearing dogs, or if you are using a Public Right of Way

On Rights of Way:

- Dogs must be kept under close control preferably on a fixed short lead

Plan ahead

Avoid disappointment by getting the latest information. Your rights to access open country can be restricted while work is carried out, and for safety or nature conservation reasons.

- Follow local signs and advice – any restrictions will be posted at access points
- Visit www.countrysideaccess.gov.uk or call the Open Access Helpline on 0845 100 3298 for up-to-date information on any restrictions
- Restrictions can be short or long term
- Public Rights of Way are not affected by restrictions to open access land
- Access land is shown on new series OS Explorer maps