

General comments made by respondents - Burton Dassett

Good park, more like a farmers sheep field. Except they keep the grass down. Questionable. You don't have them at other parks.

Great place to take the grandchildren and meet up with friends

I think if you increase parking you need to offer more facilities. I think this could have a negative effect on visitors.

Just such a lovely surprise. Good to see people enjoying it so much.

Lovely place if it didn't resemble a farmyard

Main reason for not returning is the sheep droppings, picnics are out

Misuse by 4X4's

Open up the tower and make a platform on the top to allow viewing. Kids would love it.

Please leave it just as it is as would not want anything to commercialise it.

Pot holes need to be filled in

Re Q 13 & Q14 Does not really apply as I always walk to and from the hills

Thoroughly enjoyed our visit. Especially liked the vase of flowers in the ladies toilets

Ticket machines out of order a lot!

Very few visitors seem to pay car parking charges. They are subsidised by those of us who do.

Very nice but could do with a snack bar and play area for children

General comments made by respondents – Hartshill Hayes

A well managed small camp site close to Hayes would be popular

Although the park is clean I didn't see any litter bins around apart from the car park area

Always enjoy coming

Enjoyable visit, kids loved the park

I am the customer who had an accident last September and am still too nervous to use the park to it's fullest use

I would like a watch tower so people could see the panoramic views. Small caravan site so I can stay and enjoy park longer

Improved signage on walks-approx. duration and length

Is it justifiable the car park goes for 30p-1.50?

It's a brilliant facility which we love

Lovely visit very enjoyable walk

More dog poop bins would be useful

Nice to see benches in play area

Not enough information about this park-only a single sheet

Perfect for families fair price for car park

Pleased to see the return of printed seasonal leaflets of events at parks throughout WCC

Ranger's very helpful in everyway

Re tarmac entrance

Tea room closed early

The children always enjoy visiting the park and we like the walks on offer at Hartshill

Too many dogs. Parking off site

Very enjoyable relaxing walk, pretty surroundings

Would love to stay here in our caravan!

General comments made by respondents – Kingsbury Water Park

A meeting should be set up to discuss problems with the management

A well monitored park. Very good for walks. Very lovely site

Allow BBQ's

As a visitor to the area, I was surprised to see a charge of £2.50 to park

As a woman visiting on my own I do not feel safe-security could be introduced

Better signs for lakes and walks. A4 sheet given to all who enter park with site locations of lakes walks, cycle paths, parks, refreshments/map!

Better train service

Cars on roads are hazard when cycling with young children-this is a problem. Usually just during busy times of the day

Could do with better signage around park walkways at times it is unclear which way to go

Couldn't see any water activities available

Disappointed cycling occurs in no cycling areas and dogs not on leads where notice demands. Never seen warden patrol

Do not extend train any further we don't a theme park. Keep Broomey Croft exactly as it is

Don't let it become too commercialised keep as a country park

Don't shut for rain

Enjoyable

Even when using scooter access is particularly restricted

Excellent facility

Excellent park, plenty of seating. Round the area and good value for money. Really had a very good day

Finding Farleys playground needs signing

First time here, would come again appears very popular and good for children

Fishing good value for money

Had the cafe been more reasonable we would have had a snack/meal nearly left as it was so expensive

Have always found staff very pleasant and helpful. Always a friendly smile

Have brought grandchildren for 6 years camping and to activities it is great

Have enjoyed many visits over the years. However have moved farer away and don't get here as much as I used to

Have had one or two incidents with inconsiderate drivers going too fast when have been with grandchildren
Have used the park for the last 30 years and enjoy it
I bring the children quite often during the school holidays because it is a low cost day out. Higher prices would deter me as we only tend to buy a permit if the weather looks like it will be good for most of the summer
I don't think you should charge more at the weekend as this is the main time we come, as we work
I feel a few more litter bins would be good
I feel I have wasted my morning and £2.50 because of those swing gates! They really do need sorting out!
I have watched the park develop over the years, am concerned it will become not so much a nature reserve as a commercial park! hope not!
If possible later fishing to dusk or 2 hours after park closes
Interested in voluntary work-clearing etc. Would like more information-
It is generally a nice clean park to visit. Excellent for a low cost day out
It would be an excellent idea if there was a place the kids could paddle in the water
Later opening for night fishing
Look forward to visits
Love the train key feature pls extend route and model railway
Lovely place to visit but only when the weathers hot and sunny
Make buggy suitable walks please only 1 or 2 would like to be able to do more
Mobility required for disabled m/cars
More hardcore surfaces. More preservation of walk ways
More signs in woods-got lost several times!
More things for children to do. e.g. Boating lake
More wasp traps needed around the cafe/information centre and bins emptied more regularly in late summer please
Motorbility scooters should be able to be booked for whole day if required 2 hour slots not always suitable
Much improved good train, no rubbish. Paths improved good place
Names by ponds would help to know which one we were at
Need more toilets spread out around the park. RSPB children's activity club on Saturdays is fabulous

Nice to visit and walk around in park, so quiet in fresh air
Not too keen on bikes and walkers going round together. I felt it was a bit dangerous at times
Park stay open a bit longer for fishing in summer times
Path around lakes uneven after flooding last year
Path to Otter hide needs maintenance. Path down to canal-side needs refurbishment. Untouched since flood damage
Picnic benches where the wooden play area is activity trail, leading through the woodland suitable for all ages
Pleasant open space. Mobility scooter availability excellent
Please don't turn the park into a fairground. We enjoy the park as it is. Why not consider using Far Lees as a "CL" caravan park allowing a small number of caravans in
Please leave it as a country park. We have been coming here for 30 years and always enjoy our days here
Please try and dissuade cyclists from using narrow woodland paths, they should keep to main gravel roads and paths which are wider
Prices in cafe seem quite high. If these were reduced I would definitely purchase more but as it stands will bring packed lunch when visiting the park. Footpaths need attention as very flooded when rains
Property signs when exiting the caravan site. Dog poo!
Really enjoyed train ride-good value. Donkey ride very accommodating for small child(11 months)
Shame about the barbeque ban
Should be more concrete chips/stones in muddy sections of pathway. My wife is blind and it was hard to steer her around muddy puddles as they spanned the whole path
Small childrens park could be improved
Soap in dispensers in the toilet block at the centre, smells horrible
The Dunton stable donkeys rides were good and my daughter enjoyed brushing them. Need more benches along road going up to Farleys Park for people who can't walk too far. Should be able to book scooters for longer periods of time. Fun days, bouncy castles, falcon display/animal man etc.
The entrance fee is way too much. Also 2 adult and 2 children 4 baked potatoes it cost £20.00
The only real problem we have found is with cars on the roads around the park. It means we constantly have to keep watching the children and stopping to allow traffic to pass
There could be more dog bins in both areas of the park
To many cars at weekend to the jet ski causes problems for children on their bikes coming over the Mill Bridge

Too many changes will spoil the environment of the park. Any noisy attraction will do likewise It is the natural environment of the park and the ability to stroll around or relax that attracts

Very good, very well run, very good activities-difficult to suggest improvements

Very peaceful and no yobs which is a major plus

We feel the park is very good the way it is now

We had a thoroughly enjoyable trip and will definitely come again

We like it and it's best to stay as it is

We literally find Kingsbury Water Park a breath of fresh air and we enjoy coming here during all seasons. The park is very well maintained and visitors stick to the rules. We have recommended this park to many friends

We were disappointed that the train wasn't running when we visited on a Thursday

Where the train goes past the Crocodile Lake I think it would be good to have a toy crocodile to pop up when the train passes but not a scary one as I would not like it to scare the younger children

Wish there were more dog bins in box parks. They are few and far between and after getting it up-not very pleasant to carry with you!

Would like the train to be open daily during school holidays

You need to decrease the price of products in the gift shop and the entry fee. Due to the recession it is very hard for people to find more money. Bring a funfair once a month for half a week

General comments made by respondents - Pooley

£1.50 to park car is ok

A bridge over the canal for those of us who walk! Would make a great difference and make site more accessible

A fuller variety of snacks food and sandwiches required please

A good family day out

A lovely place in the sun but difficult when raining, can't use children's park. This is where cover would be an advantage. Extending caravan facilities would enable you to change a little more. This would then fund other things on the park

A very nice park and would recommend it to friends with young children

Access from village via canal tow path would increase number of visitors if a convenient bridge was built

As regular walkers weekly would appreciate more opening hours

Ashend have invested in a giant jumping pillow which is parent supervised. There is sufficient space and would encourage children to be active. Although you have a very good display of the old mining times. Could you have an area showing children more to do with wildlife found in the country park. Tea room products to be extended-children's menu i.e. box meals. May generate more income

Better service than Kingsbury

Came today for a family day out and to have a trip on a canal boat but the boats wasn't running today. Enjoyed the walk though, bit disappointed about the boat, my daughter was upset, she enjoyed the walk though

Can you find a way of doing more food please

Car park could do with stopping open earlier and later and the tea room should be open everyday. Even if it was just a couple of hours when it's not the school holidays because you can not sit and have a drink when we have been on a walk

Everyone's always helpful

Excellent display in tea room, history of the mine

Excellent facility that at all costs should be maintained and kept open

Family outing

Feel that park appears to be underused even though it is a very beautiful place to visit

First visit and lads love it, will come again

First visit for our family we all had a lovely time and will be back again soon

For my 5 year old to ride his bike, play in the park and have a picnic

For the size of the park I think it is excellent value for money

Free parking
Have really enjoyed today
Have stopped using Kingsbury due to parking charges
I cycle and usually just go round the big mound so I don't use the facilities much but I love it all
I preferred having the mining display upstairs
Increasing park fees is unfair-have a bigger gift shop or find other ways to make up the revenue
It is a shame that the coal fact file life size model and other exhibits have been removed. I wanted my 9 year old son to experience the part of being in the mine. There seems a lot less exhibits than before
It is good to visit somewhere that does not over charge for car parking
It is really hard to answer most questions because we could not get to see most of the park due to poor weather
It's very amusing
Longer opening times in summer. Summer events for families
Lovely pot of tea, thank you. Pleasant service
May be due to economic status but is not as busy as previous visits and facilities have been down graded-not as much to look through!
Mining museum should be upstairs as it was before, as people travel miles to see it and not there
More benches on the walks. Bins near picnic new areas
My children love this park and hope that prices don't rise too much and to make it unaffordable
Need teacakes please
Nice and peaceful, good playground. Reasonable entrance fee
Nice cups of tea!
Nice park, very tidy but disagree with the price to park
Nice play area for children
Not much for older children
Please don't charge more for entry!! Kingsbury is £2.50 so we come here instead! Lovely country park-excellent shop/staff
Please read what I have said because I love this park
Probably more interesting activities for children to do indoors

Safe environment for children and always enjoy visiting. Nice relaxed atmosphere. Tearoom is reasonably priced so happy to spend without feeling ripped off
The only thing that lets it down is some dog owners let their dogs foul on walk ways
The park is every enjoyable place to come and relax. The different birds we have enjoyed seeing is delightful
The park is very well maintained and very clean. A joyful walk. Maps however would be useful
The picnic area is in the middle of the car park could be made more appealing/adventurous i.e. some more equipment or more picnic benches etc.
There is a need to have benches throughout the park, not just at the visitors centre
This country park is smaller and has less to offer than some we have visited
Very enjoyable
Very enjoyable visit, thank you
Very good for the kids
Very pleasant centre, would like it to open especially Tuesday am's
Visitor centre open weekdays and weekends. More litter bins throughout the park. Mining museum better upstairs people look for it
Waymarked walks need redoing-not clear where they are, some posts have been damaged
We enjoy facilities of this country park
We found the dog poo bins a real help as we always pick up
We have used centre as a start/finish point for canoe trips on canal/river. I feel £1 parking is ample when centre is closed
We love the park and the volunteers and staff do a great job
Well worth a visit as we do because we live local
While we did expect to see an old mine overall this is a lovely place
Why change something that is broken. The park is good as it is so why change?
You could provide more picnic tables near the top car park. I think £1.50 is about right to charge entrance. However we have a pass as it is better value for us. If you commercialise the park any more you will loose it's natural appeal

General comments made by respondents – Ryton Pools

£2 is more than reasonable to park and visit. Anymore I would go nearer to home where it is free

A good day out!

A local park that we enjoy coming to, visit regular

A lovely place to visit. Safe for children. Clean and tidy

Accessibility to nature for all family is great

All staff-managers and centre staff very helpful and friendly

Already but a permit which is well worth the money

Already hold a permit

Always enjoyed our visits here, whether as a family at the weekend or in one of the holiday activity ?

An excellent facility

As a permit holder for a number of years I have experienced an above inflation increase in costs in recent years have sometimes considered not renewing as a result

As a whole a very good place for the family slightly better cafe would be welcome

At places no signing to point direction and on 1st visit not sure where to go

Beautiful, unspoilt location, well maintained

Bike hire. Tree houses. More play area

Cafe rather expensive, especially with a family

Can't understand why the permit can't be used at all the WCC Country parks-without additional payments

Considering it wasn't a planned visit it has been a nice surprise

Could parking be free of charge

Didn't realise you did activities during holidays

Dog mess still a problem

Dogs should be on leads at weekends and school holidays. Many young children are upset by loose dogs. Steep banks around main pool. A big worry for children. They could fall in too easily

Drop prices of cafe things

Everything clean and tidy a real pleasure

Fantastic place, not as busy as Coombe Abbey. Brilliant!

Great time had by all children loved the den building woods
I have recently visited a number of country parks around England, this is still my favourite! The variety of events, walks and sights are exceptional
I would like to see some more notices around the park about dog fouling. It seems that a lot of people do not bother to pick the mess up after them even when it is by a bin
If prices increase for weekend visits, it would seem like those with full time jobs are penalised. F/T work does not mean more available income
If prices rise would be more reluctant to visit
It's great and needs more promotion advertising
Lovely walks
Mallet belonging to wooden xylophone was missing. A handrail would be useful on sloping path down to lake-(near the open area both picnic benches) used to be steps with handrails, my aunt finds it difficult now with her stick and had a pass for the park
One of my favourite places to come with the children
Parking fee a bit steep
Parking has gone up 50p in one year! That a rise of 33% in just one year. Bad
Permit does not really save money for me i.e. I live in Rugby and would need a bigger saving, especially if another price increase
Permit for parking excellent value for money
Please lower prices in the cafe
Please re-varnish some of the benches. Wood carvings on sensory walk treasure for children
So lovely to find something to do that is such good value
Some of the path surfaces could be improved. Path at north end of main car park is dangerous. Other paths tend to flood in wet weather. Car park permits for OAPS should be cheaper!
Tea is too expensive, but quite tasty. My mate not me would like a range of milk products for tea i.e. full fat milk
The park is only good for over 4's but most children are younger perhaps a toddler would be a great use for many visitors
The reason for visiting the park is because it is a reasonably priced day out
This is the first time the family has visited Ryton Pool. All of us including the 14 yr old who didn't want to come had a great time. Den building was fantastic
Very clean and improved signing since last year
Very good park and for walks and bird watching-interesting
Very good park, the children have thoroughly enjoyed it

Visiting for the first time it would help to have an attendant to sell guides, give change for car park, provide information for passers by interested in coming to visit, and say where to park before knowing one's way around the site

Warwickshire leaflets excellent

We admire the development of the park since we first visited over ten years ago. This week we also enjoyed visits to Ufton Nature reserve and Burton Dassett Hill Country Park

We brought a snack from cafe because we forgot lunch. We certainly won't do it again, it cost £25 for four people. It's disgusting. Friends have made same mistake and don't visit cafe anymore. It makes out visit a bit less enjoyable now

We love this place and so does the dog!

Would be great to have wild flowers again in hedges. Too many trees have ivy on. Poor

Would not like to pay much more