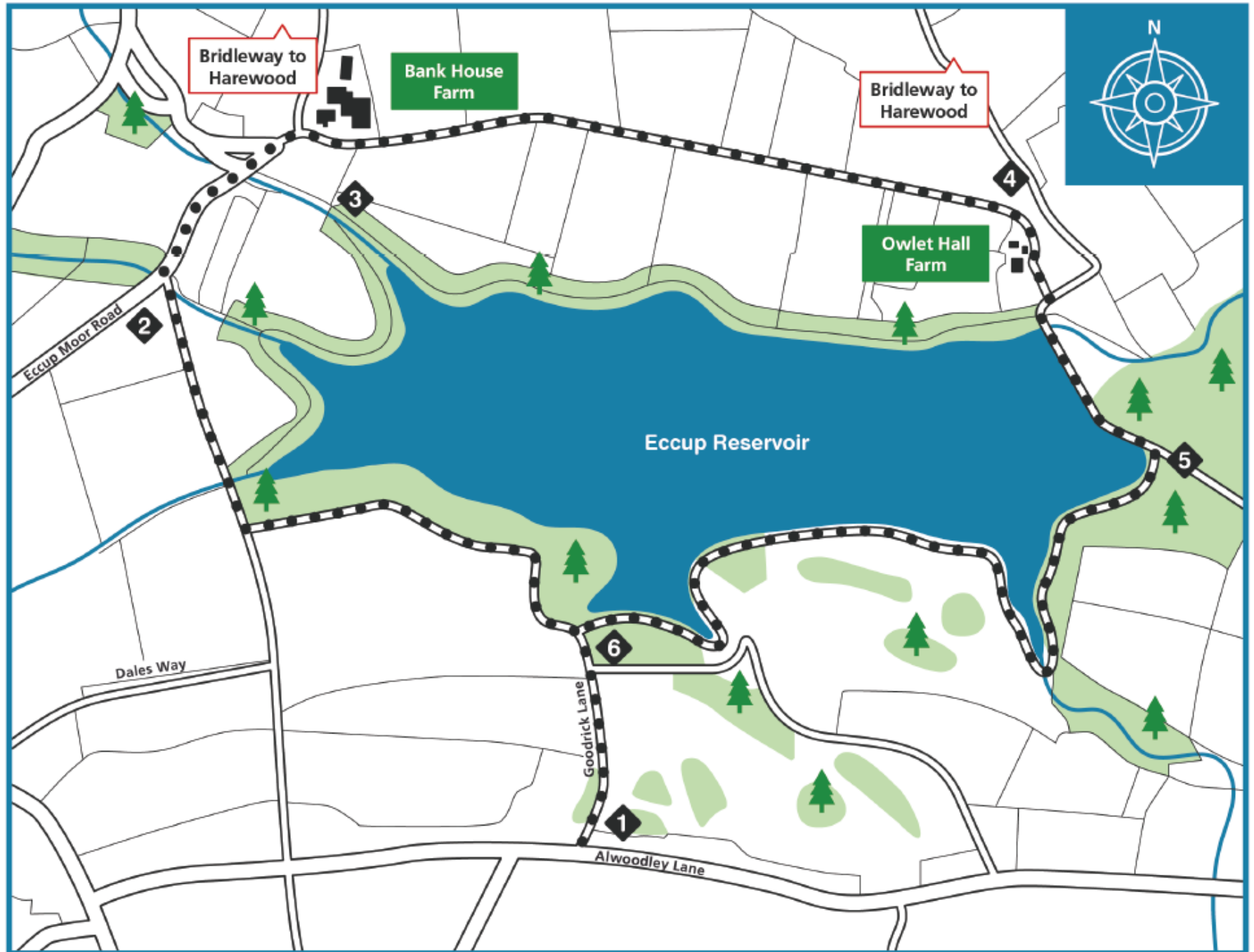


ECCUP

Key:

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| Road |  |
| Path |  |
| Route |  |
| River |  |
| Woodlands |  |
| Building |  |

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| Route Fact File | |
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| Location: | 7 miles North of Leeds City Centre |
| Difficulty: | Three Boots |
| Route Length: | 4½ Miles / 7.2 Kilometres |
| Walking Time: | 2½ hours |
| Terrain & Gradient: | The route up to point 2 crosses farmland which can be uneven and boggy. The rest of the walk follows surfaced paths and roads. There are 2 stiles but no steps on this walk. |
| How To Get There: | <p>By car: on-street parking is located near point 1 on Alwoodley Lane, LS17 7PF. Please park considerably and don't impede any access.</p> <p>As Eccup is an urban site, directions to the start of the walk can be complicated. Please visit www.google.com/maps and use the post code above to find directions from where you are.</p> <p>By public transport: There is a bus stop on Alwoodley Lane which is 600m/0.4 miles from the start of this walk.</p> <p><i>For up to date travel information from any location visit google maps to search directions.</i></p> |
| Facilities: | None |
| OS Map: | Explorer 288, Explorer 289 and Explorer 297 |

On the outskirts of Leeds, this circular walk is ideal for families with plenty to see along the way. The route passes through woodlands and the quaint village of Eccup, over a dam and alongside a local golf course. The reservoir is a Site of Special Scientific Interest and is nationally important for birds. You may also see the unmistakable red kite, recently saved from extinction in the UK. The walk is 4.5 miles long.

Route Description:

From Alwoodley Lane, walk along Goodrick Lane at **point 1**. At the end, in front of the house, turn left along a path which soon arrives at a small gate and a fingerpost sign. Pass through the gate onto farmland. The path now follows the edge of the wood to a 'T' junction with another path and a step stile on the right. Cross the stile and follow the path down the edge of the wood to another step stile leading onto open fields. Cross these fields following the well-trodden path to join the public road via a pedestrian gate at **point 2**.

Go through the gate and turn right. Follow the road passing the house (The Rookery) on the right. This can be a busy road, please take care whilst walking along it. Keeping to the right, pass Bank House Farm on the left at **point 3**. Walk along the private road for some distance to eventually reach a gateway next to the entrance to Owlet Hall Farm at **point 4**, with a public bridleway finger post.

Pass through the gateway and continue past the Hall to another pedestrian gate leading out onto the road. Bear right and follow the road across the embankment, passing the red kite viewing platform on the left. At the end of the embankment, turn right through the 'A' frame alongside the gate next to the cottage at **point 5**. Follow this track along the reservoir side to a further gate with an 'A' frame alongside at **point 6** back to Goodrick Lane at **point 1**.

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