





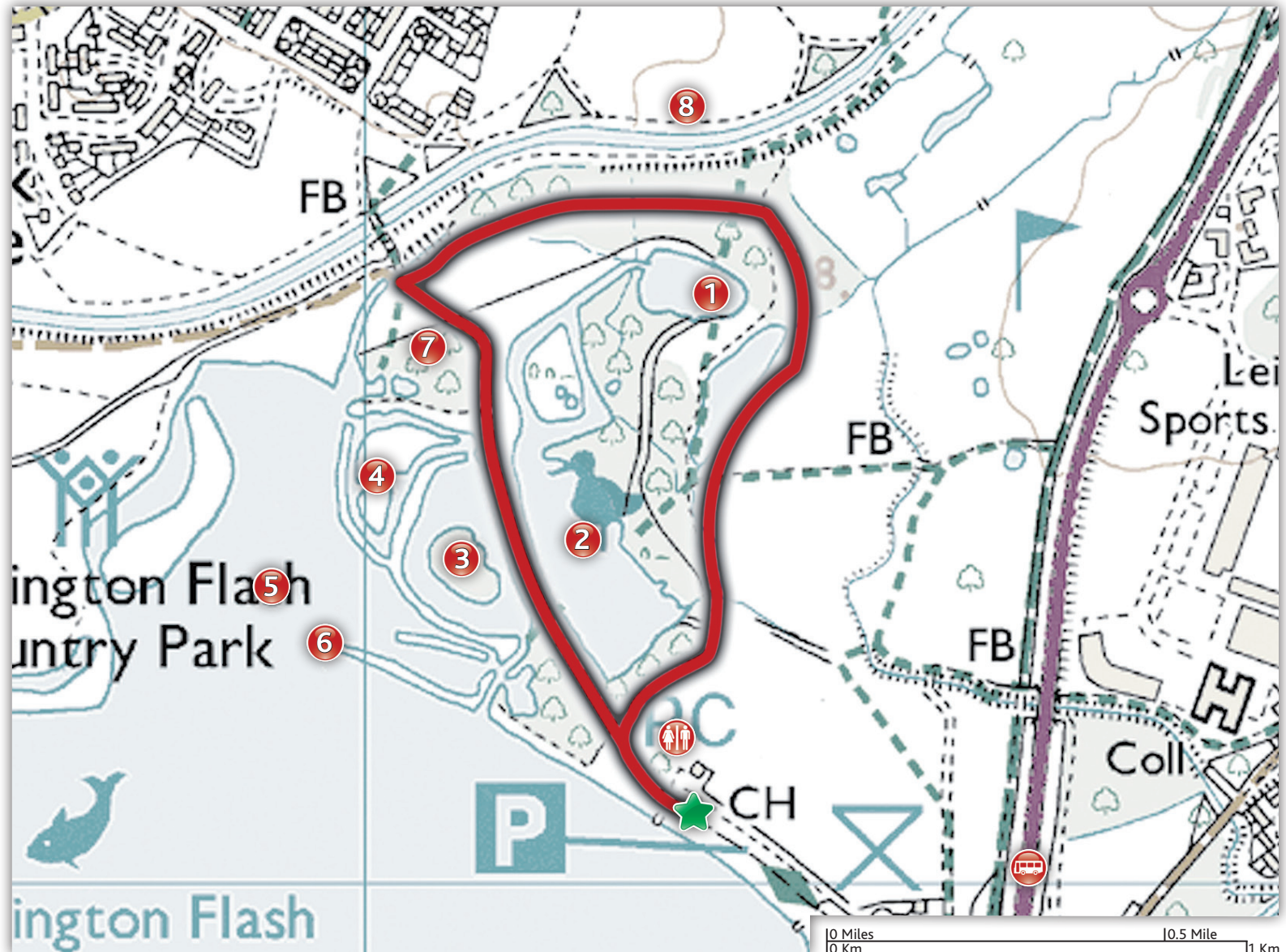
ENVIRONMENT (SILVER ROUTE)

# PENNINGTON FLASH WETLANDS AREA

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## Jubilee Legacy Walks

This walk is one of a series of fifteen Jubilee Legacy Walks designed to celebrate the richness and diversity of Wigan Borough's green space, and provide a lasting reminder of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations of 2012. Walking is a great way to improve your physical health and mental wellbeing - aim for 150 minutes per week and you'll soon notice the difference!



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### WALK DESCRIPTION

Pennington Flash was formed over time from mining subsidence, but the pools and ponds in the wetland area were created specifically for the development of habitat. Following reclamation and improvements, Pennington Flash Country Park was officially opened in 1981. There are eight bird hides at Pennington Flash, with seven of them along this circuit of the wetlands. (The eighth is on the other side of the Flash near Bradshaw Leach Common.)

### ACCESSIBILITY

This route, and the hides along it, are fully accessible to wheelchair users. Prams and cycles are also welcomed.

### TOILETS

Toilet facilities are available at Pennington Flash Country Park. There is also an Information Centre.

### START POINT

The route begins and ends at Pennington Flash Country Park. Car park available at Pennington Flash, St Helens Road, Leigh WN7 3PA (small charge).

### BUS STOPS

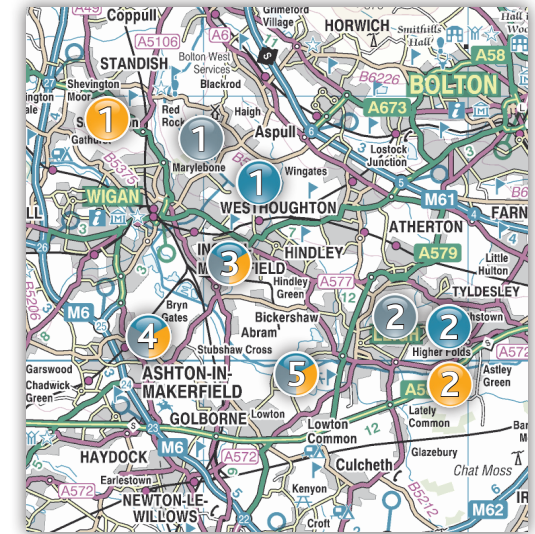
Bus services operate from Leigh bus station to St Helens Road stop.

### POINTS OF INTEREST

#### – Bird Hides

- Teal Scrape
- Pengy's Pond
- Kidney Pond
- Fox Scrape
- Ramsdale's Flash
- The Spit
- The path follows the route of a former railway.
- The canal was once at 'ground level' before the land around it subsided.

### OTHER ROUTES



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#### Walk Locations

- Borsdane, Standish and Haigh
- Gin Pit, Tyldesley and Astley
- Amberswood, Bickershaw and Abram
- Ashton, Viridor and Bryn
- Pennington Flash and Lightshaw

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