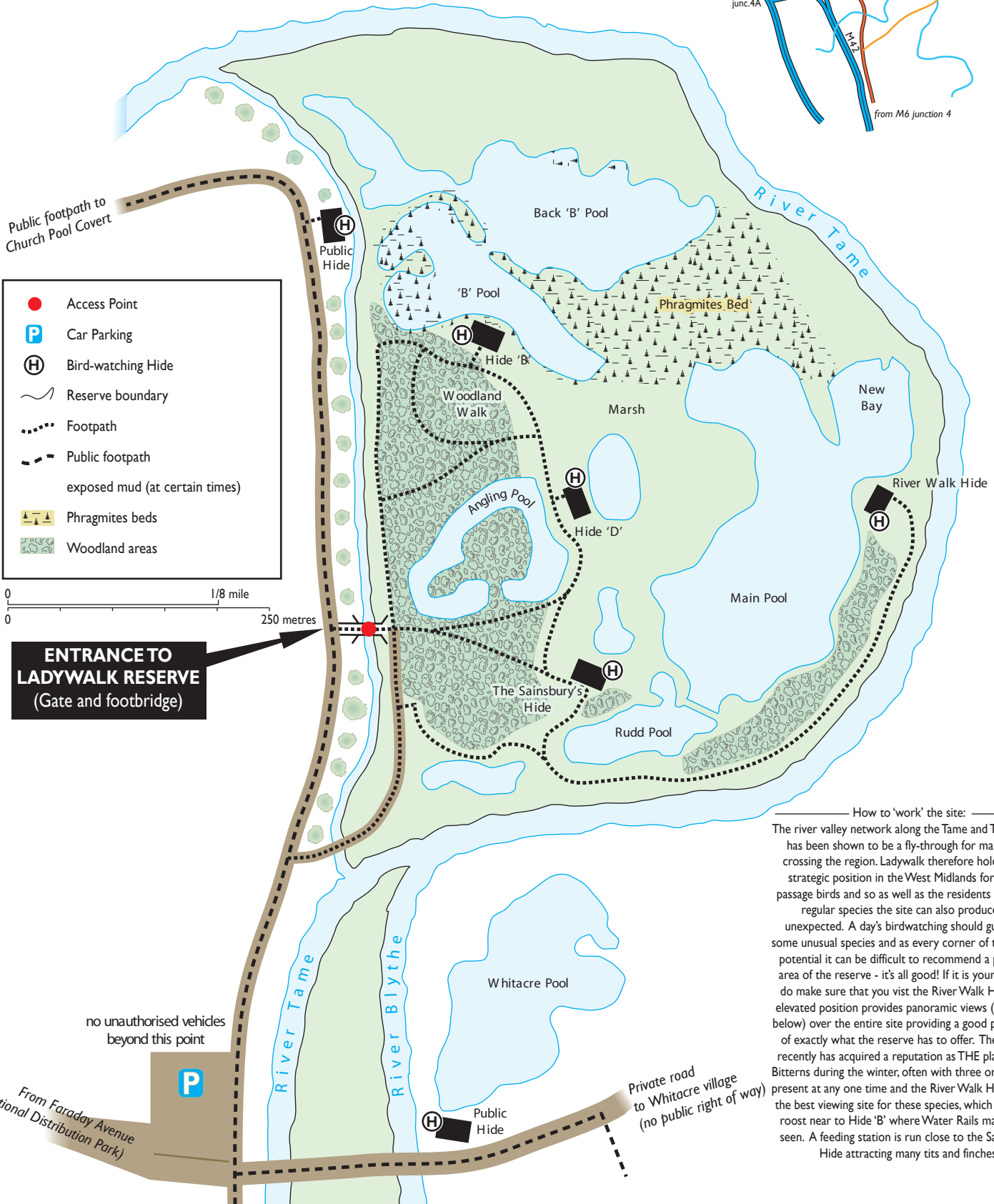


# WMBC Access Map

## Ladywalk Nature Reserve (Grid ref: SP2191)

Ladywalk is one of a series of wetland sites in the valley of the River Tame to the east of the M42 in North Warwickshire. Access is via Faraday Avenue at the Hams Hall National Distribution Centre, approached using the roundabout on the A446 approximately one mile to the south of junction 9 of the M42. Faraday Avenue leads to the car park (turn right at the final roundabout by Sainsbury's warehouse), which is on the left before the bridge, where Permit Holders only may park and then enter the reserve on foot using the footbridge onto the site. Please ensure that your permit is on display on the dashboard of your car. Non-permit Holders are able to bird-watch at the site only from the public footpaths to the east of the site, and from two public hides that are situated to the north-west, and near Whitacre Pool to the south of the reserve, where some visitor information can be found.



- Access Point
- P Car Parking
- H Bird-watching Hide
- Reserve boundary
- Footpath
- Public footpath
- exposed mud (at certain times)
- Phragmites beds
- Woodland areas

0 1/8 mile  
0 250 metres

**ENTRANCE TO LADYWALK RESERVE**  
(Gate and footbridge)

**How to 'work' the site:**

The river valley network along the Tame and Trent rivers has been shown to be a fly-through for many birds crossing the region. Ladywalk therefore holds a very strategic position in the West Midlands for visiting passage birds and so as well as the residents and other regular species the site can also produce the unexpected. A day's birdwatching should guarantee some unusual species and as every corner of the site has the potential it can be difficult to recommend a particular area of the reserve - it's all good! If it is your first visit do make sure that you visit the River Walk Hide as its elevated position provides panoramic views (see photo below) over the entire site providing a good perspective of exactly what the reserve has to offer. The reserve recently has acquired a reputation as THE place to see Bitterns during the winter, often with three or four birds present at any one time and the River Walk Hide is again the best viewing site for these species, which also often roost near to Hide 'B' where Water Rails may also be seen. A feeding station is run close to the Sainsbury's Hide attracting many tits and finches.

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