

# WELCOME TO NORFOLK Area Guide

Things to do and see,  
& places to eat



Welcome to Kelling Heath Holiday Park! 275 is set at the end of a track which makes it a beautifully tranquil place to stay – you are immersed in woodland, wildlife, and birdsong – as well as the odd deer passing by, and, of course, the distant hoot of the steam train in the valley.

The park has so much on offer (details later) but do try and explore the area as well – there is so much on offer with such variety – if you are here for two weeks, you will no doubt be able to fill your time, whatever the weather! 275 has fast WIFI, games and plenty of DVD's.

Should you need it, there is a launderette at the far side of the village square.

You can cut through the woods to get to the village square – go to the top of the track by the bins, turn right down the grassy slope and quite quickly, on your right, you will see a track through the woods. Go down to bottom, turn left, and follow the steam train line as far as the fishing pond. Turn left, back up the hill, and you have arrived – about 10 minutes.

If, during the course of your stay, you encounter any problems, please do not hesitate to contact me either via email [johannaproudlove@gmail.com](mailto:johannaproudlove@gmail.com) or, if more urgent, call me on 07766 052644. Maintenance is always on site and can usually assist promptly if there are any issues. For any leisure centre enquiries, go direct to their reception desk.

Above all, enjoy your stay 😊

# The North Norfolk Coast & Surrounding Countryside

The following is a gathering of information to give you a good number of suggested outings. If you visit somewhere I have missed out and feel it is worthy of adding, please do leave a comment in the Visitor's Book. I periodically update this guide. A few general websites worth visiting:

**[www.northnorfolkattractions.co.uk](http://www.northnorfolkattractions.co.uk)**

**<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/norfolk>**

**<https://www.visitnorthnorfolk.com/see-and-do>**

**<https://lovenorfolk.co.uk/>**

## Stately Homes

### Holkham Hall, Holkham

An iconic stately home, Holkham is an 18<sup>th</sup> century Palladian Hall, with state rooms offering superb collections of ancient statuary, original furniture, tapestries, and painting. It is surrounded by acres of rolling parkland, a walled garden, cycle hire, ropes course, cafes, shopping, exciting range of events, beach, Holkham National Nature Reserve and The Victoria hotel and restaurant. Explore the children's woodland adventure play area, hire bikes or a boat, and enjoy the colourful plantings and scents in the historic walled garden. New additions include Holkham's Ropes Course with wobbly crossings, swinging bridges, see saws and best of all zip wires. [www.holkham.co.uk](http://www.holkham.co.uk)



### Sandringham, PE35 6AB

Sandringham House, the private country retreat of King Charles III and Queen Camilla, is set in 60 acres of beautiful gardens and open daily April until the end of October (gardens open all year). Enjoy the main rooms of the magnificent House, explore the fascinating museum with extensive Royal car collection, the charming parish church, 600 acres of Country Park, playground, waymarked trails, Restaurant, Tearoom and Gift Shop. House and gardens must be pre-booked before you visit, no need to book the parkland, children's play area nor the Courtyard shopping. <https://sandringhamestate.co.uk/tickets>

### **Houghton Hall, PE31 6TY**

Houghton Hall is one of the grandest survivors of the Palladian era, built in the 1720s for Britain's first Prime Minister, Sir Robert Walpole, Houghton Hall is now home to the 7th Marquess of Cholmondeley – a descendant of Sir Robert Walpole – and his family. The Hall is set in extensive parkland, with its famous white fallow deer, an award-winning walled garden, model soldier museum, café, and gift shop. An impressive permanent collection of contemporary sculptures is displayed in the grounds. **Tel: 01485 528569**



### **Blickling Estate, NR11 6NF**

A Jacobean mansion, built on the foundations of Tudor manor house supposedly the birthplace of Anne Boleyn, with 55 acres of formal gardens, the result of three centuries of planting. Waymarked trails in 4,600 acres of woodland, parkland, and farmland. Café and gift shop. Great 17<sup>th</sup> century pub opposite, The Bucks Arms.

**Tel: 01263 738030**

### **Mannington Hall, NR11 7BB**

A fifteenth century moated house with an enclosed rose garden. There is a classical temple, nineteenth century follies and a woodland garden. Medieval Mannington sits in a valley of Ancient and Coppice woodland. Surrounded by a moat, this breathtaking gothic flint structure proudly displays its fairy tale motif chimneys and south facing turrets. Beautiful gardens with lake, trees and shrubs surround the medieval moated manor. Feature trees, shrubs, roses. Country walks and trails with lovely views. **Tel: 01263 584175**



### **Felbrig Hall, NR11 8PP**

This estate includes 520 acres of woods (beech, oak, sweet chestnut, hawthorn, and sycamore), rolling parkland, walled garden and a lake. A 17<sup>th</sup> century hall, one of the most elegant houses in East Anglia, a mixture of opulence and homeliness, with global collections, where each room reflects its vibrant history. Tearoom and shopping. Great pub near the entrance.



# Beaches



The Norfolk Coast is renowned for its huge and sometimes wild, often quiet beaches – with a mix of sandcastle territory and wonderful walks on huge expanses of beach. Rather than list them all, look at these websites. **Weybourne Beach**, at the bottom of the hill, charges for parking. It is free after 6pm and is a great place for an evening picnic. Brancaster's iconic coastline is famous for its immense sandy beaches.

**Wells Beach** (a mile walk from Wells town along a raised path with fabulous views across the channel over the marshes) offers a wonderful beach walk all the way to Holkham, past the iconic coloured beach huts, with vast expanses of golden sandcastle sand, backed by raised dunes and pine woods. You can spot ringed plovers and oystercatchers on the shore and possibly grey seals basking in the sun. **Holkham Beach** offers unspoilt and beautiful stretches of sand that are home to many species of flora and fauna – featured in the closing scenes of Shakespeare in Love with Gwyneth Paltrow.

**Sheringham** is a typical traditional bucket and spade town with a pebble beach that has a dog friendly part. **Cromer Beach**, again pebbly, is home to an iconic Victorian pier with unusual amusements, food, and the usual games arcade. It is also home to the Pavilion Theatre, where the UK's only remaining traditional end of the pier variety show takes place each summer and winter. Cromer is recently famed for Banksy's Great British Spraycation artwork.

## West Runton

West Runton is a sand and shingle beach, with an expanse of sand and rock pools when the tide goes out. There are miles of footpaths and bridleways in the surrounding area. The cliffs offer an impressive backdrop to the beach and the site of the discovery of the *West Runton Mammoth* - the largest nearly complete mammoth skeleton ever found in Britain, and the oldest found in the UK. A café is situated halfway down the gangway. No vehicle access, the beach is accessed via a concrete slipway which is also used to launch some fishing boats.

## Overstrand

When the tide is out the beach is flat sand, great for building sandcastles, taking a nice gentle stroll, or just relaxing in a deckchair. Walking is a popular activity in Norfolk, and you can start the coastal circular walk or the Norfolk Coast Path from Overstrand. Both are scenic walks. There is an ice-cream van every day in the car park. Accessed via a long gradual slope which is also used to launch some fishing boats. There is no vehicular access to the beach.

- It's a lovely sandy beach once the tide has gone out
- There is a designated dog free zone from May to September, except for Guide Dogs.
- There are NO Lifeguards on the beach
- If you would like a BBQ party on the beach written permission from North Norfolk District Council is required.
- There is a disposable BBQ bin at the west end slipway in Overstrand for safe BBQ disposal.
- There is a large promenade with working fishing boats on it and beach huts

<https://www.visitnorthnorfolk.com/beaches>

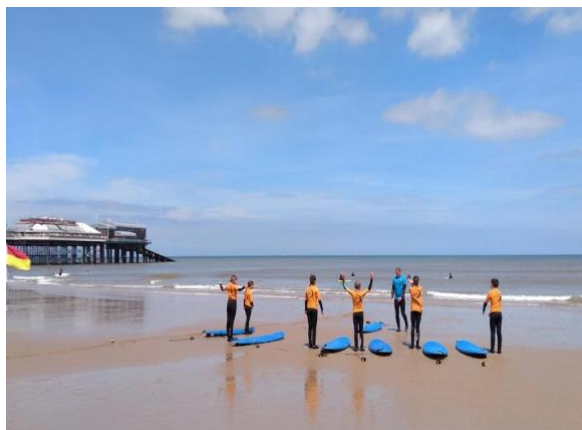
<https://www.visitnorfolk.co.uk/post/best-beaches-in-norfolk-our-top-ten>

<https://wellsguide.com/things-to-do-in-wells-next-the-sea/north-norfolk-beach-guide/>

<https://www.magazinewood.co.uk/norfolk-beaches/>

<https://lovenorfolk.co.uk/norfolk-coast-beaches/>

## On The Water



### **Glide Surf School, Cromer & Mundesley**

Glide Surf School, hire and shop was established in 2007 and is the lead in pioneering the unique surf scene in Norfolk from the heart of the idyllic seaside town of Cromer. Family-owned business with a passion to share their love for the sea and the activities they offer to all ages and abilities in a safe, fun, and friendly environment. With decades of surf experience, they pride themselves in offering outstanding customer service, expert instruction, and specialist advice from their strong team of professional coaches who are all passionate surfers, paddle boarders and waterman. Cromer Promenade, Tel: 01263 805005 and Beach Road car park, Mundesley, Tel: 07724 212837 (available July & August, contact Cromer outside these times)

### **The Surf Shed, West Runton**

Learn to surf, group and private lessons available. Surfboard, bodyboard and wetsuit hire. Book online <https://www.thesurfshedwestrunton.com/>

### **Faire Sailing, Burnham Overy Staithe**

Sailing and powerboat tuition for adults & children (7 years +) – booking well in advance usually required. Faire sailing school is unique because they can sail at all states of the tide - sail for 4.5 hours on the tide itself and then the rest of the day in a tidal lagoon inside Scolt Head Island (low tide sailing is for under 18's only).

Standard courses are between 3 and 5 days long but they do tailor courses to suit your availability and experience. Taster sessions on our Norfolk Oysters, stable and dry boats which provide a gentle introduction to sailing. During this time, you are given the opportunity to take the helm, learn the ropes and see if it's something for you. Tel: 07760 730179 or [admin@faresailing.com](mailto:admin@faresailing.com)

### **Sail North Norfolk, Blakeney**

Learn to sail or made to measure boat trips from Blakeney, under sail or by silent engine on board Selkie, a sailing boat designed to explore the creeks and coastal waters of north Norfolk. Can include wildlife-watching, seeing the seals under sail, wild swimming, exploring remote beautiful spots or sailing instruction. One to four people. Hot drinks and homemade cake included. This company also have beach huts at Wells for hire. Contact [sail@sailnorthnorfolk.co.uk](mailto:sail@sailnorthnorfolk.co.uk)

### **Blakeney Sailing Club**

This looks like members club, but the website does mention having a go. Leave it to you. [blakeneyclub@gmail.com](mailto:blakeneyclub@gmail.com)  
<https://blakeneyclub.co.uk/>

## Walks

From the cabin, you can walk through the woods to Sheringham Park (entrance by the other lodges site on the right-hand bend) or go down to Weybourne station where you will find a sea view walk to Sheringham Park. There is also a pleasant on-site walk, past the fishing pond and up onto the heathland.

### Sheringham Park, NR26 8TL

This 1000-acre park and woodlands is home to a variety of habitats including woodland, parkland, farmland, a wild garden, and clifftop areas. Four waymarked routes from 1-4 miles; you can climb to the top of the two viewing towers at Gazebo to experience breath-taking views. Designed by Humphry Repton, famous for its vast collection of rhododendrons and azaleas. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/norfolk/sheringham-park/explore-sheringham-park>



### Fairhaven Woodland and Water Garden, South Walsham NR13 6DZ

Woodland walks, boat trips, paddleboard introduction, wildlife watching, tearoom, plants, and gifts. Tel: 01603 270449

### Pretty Corner Woods, NR26 8PA

Pretty Corner is a beautiful 165-acre patchwork woodland and heathland, which forms part of a larger network of woods and heaths. Together they stretch along the 10-mile Holt to Cromer ridge within the North Norfolk area of outstanding natural beauty. Located a few miles from the historic market town of Sheringham, Pretty Corner Woods is a great place for families to play, learn, explore and be creative together. Pretty Corner Woods is a Green Flag Award winner and is jointly managed by the Council's countryside team and the Woodlands Trust. Car parks situated off Holway Road and Pretty Corner Lane. Privately owned tearoom. [www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/countryside](http://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/countryside)

### Holt Country Park, Holt Road, NR27 9EN

Holt Country Park is set in 100 acres of mixed woodland and is a Green Flag award winner. Open all year round for the public to enjoy. The park attracts visits from wildlife enthusiasts, dog walkers, families, schools and community groups, and people looking for a relaxing stroll. When you walk into the tranquil woodland, dominated with Scots pines and native broadleaves, it's easy to understand why. As we move through the seasons come changes in the beautiful displays of flowers that you can find, from orchids in the summer to snowdrops in the winter. The rich ground flora supports an abundant array of wildlife including goldcrests, greater spotted woodpeckers, and deer, amongst many others. Always open, they make a small daily charge for parking. When I visited a few years ago, there were toilets in the parking area and a children's play area. [www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/countryside](http://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/countryside)



### **Morston Quay to Blakeney**

A coastal path runs between these two harbours, with further walking over Blakeney Nature Reserve, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Wide open spaces and uninterrupted views of the coastline, great for spotting seals and migratory birds. Blakeney is also a popular spot for crabbing. Pay to park at each location.

### **Weavers Way Walking Trail**

A 56-mile route from Cromer to Great Yarmouth passing through Hanworth, Blickling, Aylsham, Acle and Halvergate. The name Weavers' Way comes from the cloth industry that was once a major industry in the area, leaving its mark with extraordinarily grand churches and historic country manor houses. The walk starts from Cromer pier.

Here are some excellent guides to walking. There are also books and maps in the cabin, as well as a cycling lanes route map.

<https://lovenorfolk.co.uk/norfolk-coast-walks/>

<https://www.visitnorthnorfolk.com/see-and-do/walking>

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/norfolk/walking#top-coastal-walks-in-norfolk>

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## **Wildlife/Birdwatching**

If you are a twitcher, I won't insult you by listing places to go on a subject I am not knowledgeable on. You will know what you are doing! This is for other guests who fancy seeing some birds and local wildlife.



### **A word from an expert**

Neil Glenn, author of "Best Birdwatching Sites in Norfolk" says:

"Norfolk is rightly regarded by birdwatchers as the best county to visit in Britain to see birds. The real beauty of Norfolk is that there is a mouth-watering variety of bird species to admire, no matter what time of year you choose to come. From the spectacle of thousands of Geese in winter, the wonder of migrating species in spring and autumn to the array of breeding Waders and Warblers, you are guaranteed to see something special during your time in this very special county."

<https://lovenorfolk.co.uk/norfolk-coast-bird-watching/>

<https://www.visitnorthnorfolk.com/blog/read/2021/10/best-places-to-go-bird-watching-in-north-norfolk-b104>



# Nature Reserves

## Blakeney

At the heart of the Norfolk Coast Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Blakeney National Nature Reserve boasts wide open spaces and uninterrupted views of the beautiful North Norfolk coastline. The four-mile-long shingle spit of Blakeney Point offers protection for Blakeney Harbour and the surrounding saltmarshes, providing a perfect habitat for the vast array of residential and migratory wildlife.

Internationally important, the reserve is noted for its spectacular displays of the summer breeding tern colony and winter breeding grey seals ensuring delight for visitors all year round. Great for walkers, sightseers, and wildlife enthusiasts alike, Blakeney National Nature Reserve guarantees an inspiring and memorable visit no matter the season.

The best way to see the wildlife on Blakeney Point is to enjoy a ferry trip, departing from Morston Quay.

**Please note** the nearest toilets are at Morston Quay and Blakeney Quay (not National Trust).



Fairhaven woodland and water garden; Pensthorpe, RSPB Titchwell Marsh, NWT Foxley Wood, and Broads wildlife centre, Morston Quay, NWT Ranworth Broad, Holkham, Blakeney, Holme Dunes, Sculthorpe Moor, Snettisham, NWT Hickling Broad and Ringstead Downs, Holme Bird Observatory and Cley Marshes (a couple of which are included in this guide) can all be found in the following link:

<https://www.visitnorthnorfolk.com/see-and-do/nature-and-wildlife/nature-reserves>

## Seal Trips

Trips are available from Blakeney and Morston and there are various providers. Temple Seal Trips, Bishops Boats Seal Trips, Beans Seal Trips, Ptarmigan and John Bean. Sailing times and booking are available on their websites or at Blakeney quayside and next to the pub in Morston village.



<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/norfolk/morston-quay/seal-trips-from-morston-quay>



## Amusement Parks

### Pleasurewood Hills, Lowestoft, NR32 4TZ

Rides such as Wipeout and Canonball, attractions, play areas and a selection of food outlets. Pleasurewood is a little run down, but it provides a fun-filled day for children and teens alike. Tesco Clubcard points can be used to pre-purchase tickets. Tel: 01502 586000

### Amazona Zoo, Cromer, NR27 9JG

Set in 15 acres, Amazona is home to over 200 birds and animals, a tropical south American animal adventure, Rainforest Springs outdoor play, Jungle Tumbles indoor play, gift shop and cafe. Cromer Football Golf is next door. Tel: 01263 510741

### Sealife, Hunstanton & Great Yarmouth

Aquarium with underwater viewing, conservation programme, seal rescue, Penguin Beach, and Otter River. [www.visitsealife.com/great-yarmouth](http://www.visitsealife.com/great-yarmouth)

### Thrigby Wildlife Gardens, Filby, Gt Yarmouth, Nr29 3DR

A wildlife park and zoo, committed to taking action to tackle the rapid declines and extinctions of our planet's biodiversity. Expect to see Sumatran Tiger, Red Panda, Snow, Amur, and Clouded Leopards, as well as a variety of other animals, birds and reptiles. Viewing via a unique network of walkways. Tel: 01493 369477

### Snettisham Park, Snettisham, Kings Lynn, PE31 7NG

A 329-acre working farm. All-year activities – 45-minute magical deer safari, friendly farm animals and petting areas, children's play area and farm trails. Seasonal – deer calving, lambing, bottle feeding orphan lambs and pony rides. Tel: 01485 542425



### Roarr, Lenwade, NR9 5JE

The UK's largest dinosaur themed family day out. Rides, indoor and outdoor play, splash zone, Dippy's Raceway, Valley of the Dinosaurs, crazy golf and more. Tel: 01603 876310 [www.roarr.co.uk](http://www.roarr.co.uk)

### Pensthorpe Gardens, Fakenham, NR21 0LN

A 700-acre, family friendly nature reserve offering discovery and an action-packed day for all the family; magical gardens, adventurous outdoor play, sculptures, trails through their internationally recognised reserve, indoor play and café. Tel: 01328 851465

### Bewilderwood, Hoveton, Norwich, NR12 8JW

A huge, award winning forest of family fun and adventure. Treehouses, wobbly wires, slippery slopes, magical journeys with curious characters, storytelling, face painting and lots of other activities. Tel: 01692 633033



## Museums / Exhibitions

### Norwich Castle Museum & Art Gallery, Norwich

The museum is undergoing a massive refurbishment so it is best to check what you can access before you go. Tel: 01603 495897 <https://www.museums.norfolk.gov.uk/norwich-castle/plan-your-visit>

### Cromer Museum

Step inside this cosy Victorian fisherman's cottage and imagine what it was like to live in Cromer at the end of the 19th Century, view the archive of historic photographs and illustrations of the town. Discover Cromer's history as a Victorian seaside resort with its fine hotels and scandalous mixed bathing. Visit the Geology Gallery and see an amazing collection of fossils – all found in North Norfolk. Enjoy fascinating displays revealing why Cromer is renowned as a geological area of international importance. Find out about the famous West Runton Mammoth and marvel at a cast of the skull of a Mosasaur - a huge marine reptile common when North Norfolk was covered in ocean over 70 million years ago. Closed during winter, then open daily. Tel: 01263 513543

### RNLI Henry Blogg Museum, Cromer

This family friendly museum tells the courageous history of saving lives at sea in Cromer. The first lifeboat was brought to Cromer in 1805 and the incredible volunteers have won 64 medals for their amazing efforts through the past 200 years. Henry Blogg served on the lifeboat for 53 years and is the most decorated RNLI crewmember. He was coxswain of the lifeboat H.F Bailey during World War II which is on display in the museum. There are also model lifeboats, Henry Blogg's impressive collection of medals, old movies, photographs, and paintings as well as lots of hands-on activities. Tel: 01263 511294

### Cromer Artspace

'Cromer Artspace on the Prom aims to engage and empower our community through the arts by highlighting the creative, cultural, and historic diversity of our region and beyond. The Artspace is an art gallery and creative space for all. Artspace is in the wonderful Art Deco building on the promenade, they are raising funds to redevelop this iconic building. Open from end March daily. <https://cromer-artspace.uk/events/venues/artspace-on-the-prom#exhibitions>

### Fisherman's Lifeboat Museum, Sheringham

The museum is the home of the *Henry Ramey Upcher*, Sheringham's last private lifeboat built in 1894 and in service until 1935, still housed in the original boat shed from where she was launched. The museum is dedicated to the history of the lifeboats financed by the Upcher family of Sheringham Hall to be manned by the fishermen of what was originally Lower Sheringham and includes a wealth of information on the earlier Augusta lifeboat 1838-1894. Exhibits tell stories of Sheringham's fishing and boat building families of those times. Admission is free, but voluntary contributions are invited to cover the upkeep of the lifeboat and building. Open daily from 16 March until 2 November, Open Mon-Sat. 10-4:30pm. All day drop in and out tickets because they do not have a café onsite. Tel: 01263 824482

### Langham Glass, Fakenham

Experience the world of glassmaking, live demonstrations and experiences, gift, and coffee shop. Tel: 01328 863500



### The Shell Museum, Glandford, NR25 7JR

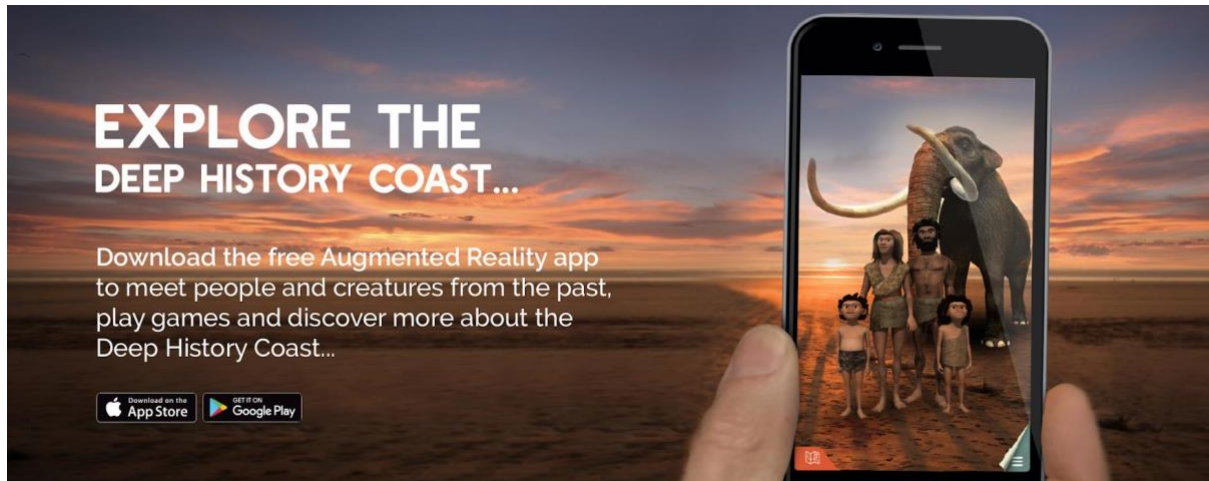
The Shell Museum is the oldest purpose-built museum in Norfolk and houses the finest seashell collection in the UK. As well as thousands of exquisite seashells, the museum also contains fossils, birds' eggs, pottery, local archaeological finds and much more. Glandford Church and the river Glaven, with a picturesque ford, wild ducks, and foot bridge, are located close by. Open Easter to October, check before going. Closed Sunday and Monday. Tel: 01263 740081

Other Norfolk museums can be found on <https://www.museums.norfolk.gov.uk/>

# History

## Deep History Coast

The Deep History Coast Trail covers 36km of coastline from Weybourne to Cart Gap along the clifftops of the north Norfolk coast. With eleven discovery points along the way, you can find out what the landscape looked like hundreds of thousands of years ago. Explore the Deep History Coast along the Discovery Trail which follows the coastline from Weybourne to Cart Gap. Walk it all or pick a section and find out what the area was like thousands of years ago via eleven discovery points along the way. Each route brings a unique discovery about north Norfolk's past. The Deep History Coast free mobile app is available to enable you to go on a virtual journey. <https://www.visitnorthnorfolk.com/deep-history-coast/discovery-trail>



## Walsingham

Venerated as one of the holiest places in England, it is famous for its religious shrines in honour of Mary, mother of Jesus - countless people have visited to ask Mary to pray to Jesus on their behalf. During medieval times, Walsingham was visited by thousands of pilgrims from all over Britain and Europe, including nearly all the kings and queens of England from Henry III (c1226), who really put it on the map with twelve visits. Royal visits continued right up to Henry VIII (1511), who came twice. <https://www.walsinghamvillage.org/about/history-of-walsingham/>

History and Heritage <https://www.visitnorfolk.co.uk/see-do/history-heritage>

# Military

## City of Norwich Aviation Museum, Horsham St Faith

Home of Norfolk's aviation heritage for over 40 years with an outdoor space housing nearly 30 aircraft, cockpit sections and exhibits. Indoor museum with a collection of smaller displays including RAF 100 Group Room and USA 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force collection. Guided tours available subject to volunteer availability and weather conditions. Shop and tearoom. Tel: 01603 893080

## Muckleburgh Military Collection, Weybourne

The Muckleburgh Collection is a military museum sited on a former military camp at Weybourne and is the largest privately owned military museum in the United Kingdom. Collection of working tanks, guns, and military vehicles from all over the world. There is also a vast display of militaria including missiles, weapons, ammo, and historic exhibits. Kennels available for your dog. Tearoom. Tel: 01263 588210 (recorded info) /588284 (during open hours)

## RAF Oulton Museum, Blickling Hall

National Trust, RAF Oulton was an airfield that was created on Blickling Estate in 1939 and undertook vital work for the war effort. Explore the museum, now situated in what was once accommodation for the air crew and see the ever-growing collection of objects, documents and personal stories from servicemen and women who served here. Closed during the winter months. Part of the Blickling Estate. Tel: 01263 738030



## Markets/Shopping

There is a shop in the Kelling Village Square – it has lots available including the necessities, but it is not cheap, of course, being on site! There is also a village shop in High Kelling and a few supplies in the Village Store at the bottom of the hill in Weybourne.

### Holt Sunday Market

The Holt Sunday Market is an award winning, destination street market showcasing the best local independent crafts people, designers, makers, food producers and street food traders. On the first Sunday of the month from April to December. Holt is well known for its department store, Bakers & Larners, which has been trading there for over 100 years. Lots of narrow, winding alleys to explore, plenty of gift and interiors shops, alongside many independent retailers and practical shops. The Christmas lights in Holt are well worth a visit, with any money raised going to charity.

### CA Seafoods, Weybourne

Fresh fish, seafood, platters, potted and marinated fish, pate, sauces, caviar, and smoked fish from The Sheringham Smokehouse – collect by arrangement or delivered – you will see their sign at the bottom of the hill, just as you enter Weybourne village. Must be pre-ordered. Tel: 01263 823121

### Back to the Garden, Letheringsett NR25 7JJ

The multi-award-winning farm shop for the Astley Estate, specialising in organic meat, fruit, vegetables and produce. It has a delicatessen, wine, beer, and spirits department and plenty of handmade goodies. Café/restaurant on site – a short drive out of Holt, towards Fakenham.



### Blakeney

A village of pretty flint houses, once home to local fishermen, Blakeney is certainly worth a visit for a pleasant wander around. Plenty of places to eat as well as pubs, gift shops, art galleries and a wonderful fish monger.

### Sheringham

A bustling seaside town famous for its steam railway (to Weybourne and Holt) and its Little Theatre. Plenty of seaside trinket shops, practical and gift shops as well as a Saturday market.

### Burnham Market

A bustling Georgian village about 13 miles inland and close to the sandy beach at Holkham. It is a hive of small, independent businesses, from fashion boutiques to gift shops, to fish mongers and bakers. I visited several years ago and found it to be a bit like West London hits Norfolk (it is known as Chelsea-on-Sea due to its popularity to holiday makers from London and abundance of second homes), but I leave you to make your own views – it is a very pleasant place to visit.

### Wells-next-the-Sea/Wells Quay

A small coastal town and a hive of activity, home to a fishing fleet of crabbers and angling vessels. Wells has a large supermarket and a market every Sunday during the summer. At the beginning of August, it hosts a carnival with a fair. Plenty of other traditional seaside town shops to browse. Wells is also famous for crabbing off the quay – you can even hire buckets and environmentally friendly crabbing supplies from the Gilly Hut.



## Dalegate Market, Burnham Deepdale

Shopping, pop up shops, events, and café.



## Wroxham Barns, Hoveton NR12 8QU

Craft studios, unlimited rides, fun on the farm, mini golf, shops, indoor soft play, programme of activities and cafes.

## Alby Crafts and Gardens, Cromer Road, NR11 7QE

A family run business with creative workshops, a lovely tearoom and a vibrant community of quality crafts people working with a wide range of mediums and skills. These include pottery, sculpture, wood turning, furniture making, tailoring, fabrics, mosaics, willow sculpture and flower essences with other artists and work being shown at various times. There are 4 acres of gardens, inspired by "The Flower Fairies" by Cicely Mary Barker. It's a delightful, peaceful, place to spend an hour or two.

## North Norfolk Railway

Hop on, hop off with Rover tickets. Enjoy cream tea, fish and chips or Sunday Lunch on the move. The Poppy Line, from the Victorian seaside resort of Sheringham to the Georgian town of Holt, the North Norfolk Railway runs through the county's most stunning coastal scenery and beautiful countryside. Runs April to October and additional services during school holidays. You can book advance tickets from Reception in the village square. [www.nnrailway.co.uk](http://www.nnrailway.co.uk)



## Misc

### Hilltop Outdoor Centre

Give school holiday boredom the boot with an action-packed Family Adventure Day at Hilltop Outdoor Centre. Open during the school summer holidays. Activities onsite include Air Jump, The Big Zipper, Super Swing, Climbing Wall, Archery and Tree Top Trail - there are set activities running on each session. Woodland Lodge Cafe serves hot drinks, light lunches, and refreshments throughout the day. Booking essential. Tel: 01263 824514

### Holt Woodland Archery & Air Gun Club, High Kelling

Experience archery or shooting air guns in a family-friendly atmosphere, set in 11 acres of beautiful woodland. Training and equipment provided. The group welcomes groups of up to 20 people at a time so great for big family groups. Age 9+ years. Ring John Hancock to check opening times/dates. Tel: 07899 917070

### Thursford Steam Engine Village, Thursford

Fairground rides, barn café, shopping village, play park. Tel: 01328 878477

### Wroxham Miniature Worlds, Hoveton NR12 8QJ

Model railways, vintage toys, dolls houses, model boats, arcade games and much more. Tel: 01603 781728

### Caister Castle Car Collection, NR30 5SN

A 15<sup>th</sup> century moated castle with a 90' tower visitors can climb for magnificent views, Caister Castle is of historical interest because it is one of the earliest buildings in England of importance to use brick as the main construction material. The exhibition centre houses probably the largest privately owned motor collection open to the public in the UK. Woodland walk loop, picnic area and tea rooms. Open mid-May to end September, daily except Saturdays. Tel: 01664 567707

### Harbour Tours, Wells

The Wells Ferry will take you for an hour or half hour tour around the harbour, past historical buildings, the Lifeboat Horse and sailing ships, explore the salt marsh creeks or venture out to sea. They also offer an hour-long sunset tour. Full commentary if wanted or simply chat about Wells. End March to end October, weather permitting. Trips displayed on the board on the quay or Tel: 07747 401222

### Wells & Walsingham Light Railway

The world's smallest public railway and the longest 10 ¼ " narrow gauge steam railway in the world! The half hour journey takes you from Wells (entrance on the coastal road) to the famous pilgrimage village of Walsingham, sit back and enjoy the nostalgic and atmospheric sights, sounds and smells of steam travel through beautiful countryside.

### Maltings & Staithe Street, Wells

A modern £5m arts, heritage and community complex hosting year-round events including music, film, drama, dance, comedy, art, poetry, talks and community activities. A state-of-the-art theatre and cinema. Tel: 01328 710885

### Regal Movieplex Cinema, Cromer

4 screens, soft and alcoholic drinks, snacks, hot drinks, and ice cream. <https://cromer.merlincinemas.co.uk/cinema-information> Tel: 01263 510151

### Priory Maze & Gardens, Beeston Regis

The gardens are unique in several ways - They are on the east coast facing North, with nothing between the gardens and the north pole, yet it has a micro-climate not dissimilar to that of Southwest Cornwall. It has the only traditional hedge maze in Norfolk. It is a true 21st century garden that has been carved out of mature woodland and meadow. The range of plants that can be grown in the gardens represent native plants from many more exotic locations from around the world. The gardens boast several exotic trees of more than 100 years old, and which include olives, needle palms and pomegranates. The gardens have a delightful informal atmosphere of natural maturity and plantings in a very natural form of wide sweeping drifts of colour and texture. Open all year (closed Mondays/Tuesdays in Nov, Jan & Feb). A tearoom offers hot meals and snacks and there is a plant centre. The hedge maze and quiz packs provide family entertainment. One of the few gardens that allows well-behaved dogs on short leads. Tel: 01263 822986

## Eating Out

I have tried a number of these places and, in general, I think this area is fantastic for eating out. Of course, I may not have visited some of them for some time, so I leave you to make your own judgements. This is just a guide and further reading will provide you with an amazing range and choice of places to eat out. During peak seasons, I would advise you to book in advance – there is a lot on offer, but they are all usually very busy.

### The Ship, Weybourne

Local pub just down the hill – great atmosphere and excellent food – they also do a full take-away menu, pre-booking is required.



## Holt

Plenty of choices in Holt from local fish & chippy to churros café, to traditional pubs and teahouses. I have listed a couple I know or know of.

### The Feathers

A Georgian building in the middle of Holt. Stylish interiors and a rear courtyard with a menu driven by seasonality.  
Tel: 01263 712318

### The Owl Tea Rooms

I can't recommend this highly enough! Wonderful array of sweet and savoury bakes, bread, cookies and cakes, everything I have had from here is delicious. And their coffee is good. Orders for next day collection can be made until 3pm, for collection from 10am. Closed Sundays and Mondays. They are at the statue/Gresham School end of the high street.



### Horatios

I see this mentioned a lot but have not yet been. Hearty breakfasts, lunch, brunch, cakes, pastries, and savouries, afternoon tea and Sunday roasts. Bull Street.

### Byfords

A foodie favourite. Home cooked breakfasts, lunch, afternoon tea and a dinner menu making the most of local produce and a shop.



## Blakeney

### The Moorings

A family run relaxed setting offering modern British food, inspired by the north Norfolk coast. Seasonal produce, seafood, and home-made puddings. Closed over winter until the Feb half term. Located on Blakeney High Street.

### The White Horse

'Cosy, characterful and stylish' with a menu offering pub classics, coastal favourites as well as more decadent dishes and an extensive range of Adnams beers. There is a conservatory and courtyard.

## Sheringham

Sheringham has a host of café's, pubs, and coffee shops so your best bet is to wander around and make a choice. There are several casual places along the promenade, offering sea views. A more formal restaurant that has been highly recommended is No 10 on Augusta Street – set in a Victorian town house! 'Top notch food at middle road prices', 'The establishment's ambiance is exquisite, with perfectly pitched background music and attentive service. The interior design is quirky and vintage, with unusual lights and mirrors'. Tel: 01263 824400

## Cromer

I am not familiar with Cromer for eating out. I would therefore advise you check out a website like TripAdvisor for assistance.

## Letheringsett

### The Kings Head

A large pub with a local's bar, restaurant, country garden and enclosed kid friendly garden, surrounded by beautiful parkland. It was voted Norfolk County winner of the National Pub & Bar Awards in 2021 and 2023.

## Fakenham

### The Fat Cow

Perfectly grass-fed Norfolk beef burgers, craft beers, ice creams – all set in the middle of a wildflower meadow, no better place to stop for a bite on a warm summer's day. The fairy lights enhance the evening feel when, in summer months, it stays open later. This is a seasonal pop up on the A148 road around Fakenham, well sign posted on the Pensthorpe roundabout.



## Morston

### Morston Hall

An intimate 17<sup>th</sup> century country house hotel recognised for its high standard of cuisine, Michelin starred; fine dining – seven-course tasting menu Tuesday to Sunday evenings, set menu Saturday and Sunday lunch, afternoon tea, special occasions, and private dining. Booking necessary. Tel: 01263 741041



## The Anchor

A cosy, convivial local – a place of simple pleasures for villagers and visitors alike. Savour classic seaside staples (think line-caught fish and chip-shop chips or steamed Brancaster mussels) and the juiciest flat iron steak or drop in for a pint and a lighter (though equally lip-smacking) bite. Expect excellent local ales from Norfolk breweries Woodforde's and Lacons, small-batch craft spirits, signature cocktails, and well-chosen wines.

## Wiveton

### The Wiveton Bell

A tranquil country pub overlooking the green, just a few miles from the sea. Traditional bar with a bright conservatory, garden and terrace, the latter with views over the church over the meadow. Local supplier menus, complemented by pub classics, award winning cheeses, freshly caught seafood and home-reared meats.

## Wells Next to Sea

Best to look at this website for plenty of choices. <https://wellsguide.com/food-and-drink-in-wells/eat-in-wells/> - it is worth noting that Wells has two fish 'n' chip shops on the quay – an experience that has remained unchanged for generations, sitting on the harbour wall, fending off the seagulls, watching the crabbers and fishing boats while tucking into a fish and chip supper – just doesn't come wrapped in newspaper anymore - and since 2018 with the addition of Rachael Long's Lifeboat Horse, made from steel bars and whisky barrels, partly submerged at high tide.

## Thornham

### Eric's Fish & Chips

A traditional British chippy with a few modern twists. Fresh and simple seaside favourites, using the finest line caught cod and real local beer in the batter. Other favourites such as battered squid rings, king prawns, fried black pudding, Kansas style chicken wings, halloumi fries, home-made tartar & curry sauce. Great beers, wine, and refreshments. Eat in or order online for collection. **Also have a shop on Fish Hill in Holt.**



### The Lifeboat Inn

A classic coastal inn that has been serving for over 500 years. Welcoming atmosphere, full of history where wellies and dogs mix comfortably with more formal attire. Huge open fire for winter chills and the Sail terrace for sunnier days. The Lifeboat is set on the edge of Thornham, overlooking the fields and huge expanses of salt marshes, prime walking country – I have seen owls flying over the fields at dusk whilst on a pre-pub walk here. Wonderful pub with great food; classic, traditional dishes that change with the seasons.

## Salthouse

### The Dun Cow

Another classic pub with a large garden, offering uninterrupted views over the salt marshes, out to sea. An excellent, varied menu. <https://www.salthouseduncow.com/pictures>

### Cookies Crab Shop

Casual venue serving super fresh local shellfish, platters, sandwiches, and salads. Eat in or take-away. Outside seating area overlooking the small green towards the salt marshes.

## Thorpe Market

### The Gunton Arms

A traditional pub set in an extensive historic park – with wonderfully modern elements and artworks. I visited to see the art, but the décor, atmosphere, surroundings, and the incredible food blew me away. It is well worth the drive or stop over after a Norwich visit. The chef (ex-head chef from Mark Hix) cooks with local ingredients including venison from the surrounding park and beef from the local herd at Blickling – cooked over a large open fire in the Elk room (apart from Sundays); they have their own seafood and mussels, and Cromer crab are caught by local fishermen; menu changes daily. Look at their website to see their credentials – you will want to visit! <https://www.theguntonarms.co.uk/>



## Ringstead

### The Gin Trap Inn

Although a little further afield, if you are doing other activities in the Hunstanton direction, this 17<sup>th</sup> century coaching inn looks truly wonderful. The talented head chef cares very much about provenance, and has developed relationships with the very best suppliers, both local and further afield, to ensure consistency of quality. Characterful inn with a smart garden area (some undercover seating). The Gin Trap offers award winning bitters, lagers, spirits, and wine and, of course, a constantly evolving collection of over 100 gins. <https://www.thegintrapinn.co.uk/>



# Kelling Heath's Literature

Below are excerpts from the Kelling Home Holiday Park information guide. The activities part of the guide is given in good faith and is updated as and when it can be, we recommend you always check opening hours etc before visiting.

**Guest Services** - this is in the main Reception building; you can visit this area for further information on the local area or to book onto the Acorn Events. More detail on the events is supplied in this Guide.

**Health and Fitness Club (Tel: 01263 589919)** – the club is available to holiday guests on a pre-booked, payable basis. Our friendly team of trained leisure professionals are on hand to supervise the Club, undertake health evaluations, fitness introductions and personalised workouts in the gym.

**Facilities** - indoor swimming pool: A 19 by 9 metre, heated swimming pool\*. Spa Pool, Sauna, and Steam Rooms. Gym: A wide range of modern equipment including state of the art cardiovascular machines fitted with viewing monitors and audio experience. Open 7 days a week.

Restrictions: Children under the age of 18 may use the Health & Fitness Club between the hours of 10am and 6pm only. All gym users must be 16 years of age and over. Children under the age of 15 years using the pool must be always supervised by an adult.

**Outdoor Leisure Pool \*** - accessed through the Tower entrance and with its own changing rooms, the outdoor leisure pool is available for you to use and is a magnificent place to spend a few hours or the whole day. The enclosed paved patio is surrounded by an attractive traditional Norfolk stone and flint panel wall. The pool has a backdrop of mature pines offering a sheltered environment where all can relax. The unusual shaped heated pool also has a paddling pool for younger children.

The Outdoor Leisure Pool is open in the summer months (May to September) (weather permitting) from 10am to 6pm daily. As noted above, one hour booking slots are required via Eventbrite to restrict numbers.

\* Please note: The Indoor and Outdoor pools are subject to bathing level restrictions which may be reached during periods of peak occupancy. The management reserves the right to limit admission at certain times if these levels are met.

## Bars and Restaurants -

### **Booking - We would strongly advise making a reservation for dining.**

Call 01263 589913 or pop into our host station located in the entrance to the Bars & Restaurant. Please check open times, they are subject to change depending on the season.

#### **The Terrace**

The Terrace is host to our family dining area; serving freshly made and locally sourced produce. For smaller appetites, a junior menu is available. A hearty Sunday roast carvery is also served every Sunday with a choice of locally sourced meats and all the trimmings. Dogs are permitted in the entrance area of The Terrace.

#### **The Forge**

Offering lunch & evening menus with full table service and a focus on fresh, local, quality produce with seasonal specials. With a wide selection of local ales and ciders, beers, and wine it is a great place to relax with a local pub atmosphere. Dogs are welcome.

#### **Breakfast on the Square**

Serving coffee, pastries, baps & traditional full English breakfast to eat in and relax in our informal café style restaurant or alternatively use our takeaway option to eat in the comfort of your own home.

#### **Pizza on the Square**

The perfect setting to sit and watch the world go by. Dine in or takeaway offering a variety of pizza & pasta dishes along with starters & desserts. For take-away orders or bookings call: 01263 589914.

#### **The Village Store**

located within the Village Square, the Village Store is open 7 days a week throughout the season and sells all your daily essentials. Check instore for our latest promotions along with the best locally sourced products Norfolk has to offer.

## **“Welcome to a unique natural environment, rarer than the Tropical Rainforests!”**

Sounds unbelievable but it is perfectly true – the areas of lowland heath on and around Kelling Heath are very precious and constitute an internationally rare habitat type, supporting insects, reptiles and birds that would disappear if the habitat was lost. Most of the park is woodland and although this seems an abundant resource, England has less than 10% woodland cover.

We take great pride in the fact that we have a detailed Countryside Management Plan for the Estate that will conserve and enhance the woodland and heathland for future generations to enjoy.

**The Norfolk Wilderness** - the heathland at Kelling has a human history stretching back 10,000 years. Heathland is not a natural state for the land to be in. The heath would have been totally wooded until Maglemosian hunter gatherers set about clearing the trees with their flint tools around 10,000 years ago.

The wood was used for fuel and the land was grazed. Because of the sandy geology of this area, and the lack of nutrients, the plants first to establish were the heathers. Certain species of grass and gorse also colonised to form a landscape characterised as lowland heath.

There are many species of insects and animals that have adapted themselves to survive on heathland. The Silver Studded Blue butterfly relies on ants of the heath to look after its young, while all this country's reptiles, except for two, live within the warm heathland habitat. Birds like the Stonechat, Nightjar and Linnet would be lost to Norfolk if all the heath were to disappear. How could it disappear? It could turn back to woodland unless managed or grazed. The trees would take the heath back to woodland and in the process all the heath's wildlife and heritage would vanish from Kelling.

**Woodland – Wildlife and Character** - there are three distinctly different types of woodland on the park at Kelling: Scots Pine plantation; semi-natural ancient; and pioneer scrub. Each has its own distinct character and wildlife. The Pine areas are a good place to see Gold Crests or Crossbills and plenty of Grey Squirrels! The prehistoric resin of these trees now takes the form of amber. We carefully manage the woodland at Kelling Heath to reduce non-indigenous species such as Sycamore and promote the natural regeneration of the native species present.

This improves the habitat for the Norfolk wildlife. We balance this with leaving some areas of the woodland totally untouched. Semi-natural ancient woodland is defined as not having been planted after 1600. The woodland was seldom planted before 1600, suggesting that it has been woodland for thousands of years, providing a home and hunting grounds for birds of prey such as Tawny Owls and Sparrow Hawks.

**Red Squirrel Breeding Programme** - the Park has been breeding captive Red Squirrels (*Sciurus vulgaris*) since 1999 as part of the National Red Squirrel Breeding Programme. The Red Squirrel used to be Britain's only wild squirrel and was once a common sight across the country. Although their populations are healthy on mainland Europe, the Red Squirrel is currently suffering major decline in Britain. Numbers in Britain have fallen from a onetime high, thought to be around 3.5 million, to a current estimated population of around 120,000. The population in England is thought to be as low as 15,000 and is confined to Northern England and offshore islands such as the Isle of Wight, Brownsea Island (in Poole Harbour) and Anglesey.

The demise of the Red Squirrels is thought to be partly due to the release of the Grey Squirrels in the 19th century. These are larger squirrels capable of living in much denser populations than the Reds in mixed broadleaf woodlands. The Greys can also eat certain food crops, such as hazelnuts, before they ripen and become a viable food source for the Reds. This competitive advantage has caused the Reds to retreat and decline in numbers. The Greys also carry diseases to which they are immune, but the Reds are not immune.

Red Squirrel populations have also suffered because of loss of habitat. Deforestation has been responsible for reducing or cutting off suitable areas for them to live and feed. The extinction of Red Squirrels in Britain is now a real possibility. The park is a member of The East Anglia Red Squirrel Conservation Group. The Group is part of a national scheme for captive breeding of Red Squirrels. The aim of this scheme is to set up a reserve of animals that can be used for controlled and closely monitored release projects. The aim of the Group is to conserve a native Red Squirrel population in Britain.

The Red Squirrels will normally breed during spring and summer and will produce litters of up to 5 kittens. Once these kittens are no longer fed by their mother, they are named for the stud book, micro chipped, and all their lineage details are fully documented. They will then enter one of the carefully selected and monitored release projects in which the Group are currently involved with or will be used to captive breed more Red Squirrels in the breeding enclosures.

**Sustainability** - the Kelling Heath experience is built around enjoying the unique natural environment. Therefore, we play our part to conserve as much as possible for future generations to enjoy. Alongside the full-time Countryside Team, who have been working on the park since 1996, we were the first Holiday Park in the region to appoint a full-time Environmental Officer in 2008 to further focus our efforts on sustainability. Our commitment to the environment and the sustainable running of the park is outlined in our Environmental Policy below.



Kelling Heath is committed to achieving environmental best practise in all areas of the business as follows:

Reduce Energy and Water Consumption by promoting the efficient use of resources and materials including water, electricity, gas, raw materials, and other resources; metering consumption of water and energy where practicably possible to review and reduce consumption; installing sustainable and resource reducing technology where practical.

Work with our suppliers to:

Purchase eco-friendly, fairtrade and locally produced products where possible; encourage more sustainable practise down the supply chain; avoid the use of hazardous materials, where necessary seek substitutes to lower environmental impact; promote the efficient use of company transport and reduce vehicle emissions.

And to also:

Reduce waste by following the waste hierarchy and where waste occurs reduce the volume to landfill; train and support staff in monitoring and encouraging environmental progress.

What we have been doing to achieve our commitments:

Throughout the park, we have invested in renewable technology wherever appropriate. In all our amenity blocks, we have solar panels to help heat the water. In addition, we also have Air source and Ground source heating in two of the amenity blocks. All of which reduces our reliance on fossil fuels and power from the grid, helping to make Kelling more sustainable and Carbon neutral. All electricity sourced from the grid on Park is on a Green Tariff. This means for every kWh of electricity used on Park our electricity supplier will source the same amount from a renewable source.

Our Health & Fitness Club is heated by two Biomass boilers which use sustainably sourced wood pellets as fuel. Biomass boilers are considered carbon neutral as the carbon dioxide emitted when wood is burned is the same amount that was absorbed over the months and years that the plant was growing. We also use clever heat recovery technology to recycle heat from other areas of the building into the Pool.

We also produce our own Bio-Diesel on site. This utilises waste vegetable oil from our restaurants to create fuel for use in certain site vehicles. You might also see our electric powered maintenance vehicles around site.

All our water supplies are electronically monitored, this allows us to spot any leaks as soon as they happen. To further reduce waste, all taps around the park are restricted to a particular flow rate and where possible aerators fitted. Our Blue amenity block has a rainwater harvester, which is used to flush the urinals and toilets. This saves approximately 119,000 litres of water a year.

Lighting on the Park is limited to the Village Square and Car Park to reduce light pollution and preserve the night skies; therefore, we ask you to bring a torch! Where lighting is needed, it is low energy. We have also installed many LED lights during developments on Park.

Using local suppliers is important to us as Norfolk has some fantastic produce on offer with award winning breweries, excellent bakeries, and farms on our doorstep. The Village Store has developed a popular 'Naturally' section showcasing products from jams to jewellery!

Another key element to Kelling Heath's success is the involvement of staff and the local community. Our staff regularly meet to form the 'Green Team' and discuss sustainability issues around the park and how to best tackle them.

We have a Visitors Charter, which gives some simple ways to reduce the impact of holidaying at Kelling Heath. All of which can be done with minimal effort and enhance your experience now and for the future.

**Kelling Heath Visitors Charter** - wherever we go and whatever we do we have an impact on the environment. Here are just 6 small steps which go a long way to ensure we safeguard the environment for future generations.

Reduce, Re-use and Recycle! We ensure 100% of our waste avoids landfill. Help us by saying "no" to waste when you buy your products; only buy what you will use on your holiday and re-use your carrier bags.

Stay Local, Eat Local, Buy Local and See Local - supporting local businesses helps to maintain North Norfolk's unique character. Details of local markets and establishments can be found in Reception. If you want something local to take home, try our "naturally" section in the village store.

Give the Car a Rest – walk, cycle, or hop on the Train! Some of the best views and sights are often seen away from the roads. Why not give your car a rest and explore the countryside on foot, bike or even take the train from our very own railway halt.

Respect Nature and the Local Community - help us to look after our environment for future generations to enjoy by guarding against fire, taking litter with you, and using footpaths and cycle ways responsibly. Remember if you own a dog; be responsible clear up after them and always keep them on a lead.

Be Energy and Water Wise - energy and water saving initiatives on park include solar water heating, rainwater harvesting and low energy bulbs. In addition, we use 100% renewable energy to heat our Health & Fitness Club and swimming pools through our Biomass Boiler.

Kelling Heath goes to great efforts to conserve energy and water. Help us to reduce energy consumption and CO2 emissions even further by switching off lights, taps and heating devices that are not required.

Keeping Light Pollution to a Minimum - have you ever noticed when in a city, if you gaze upon the night sky all you see is a dirty auburn mist, with only the brightest stars visible? At Kelling Heath it is different. We are proud of our dark skies and to achieve this we keep all night light to a minimum.

We do appreciate some lighting is required; however, we do ask that any unnecessary lighting is turned off. This will help keep our skies dark, unspoilt, and spectacular. So, make the most of the views on your stay and maybe we will see you again one day attending one of our unique Star Camps –one of the biggest astronomy gatherings in Europe!