

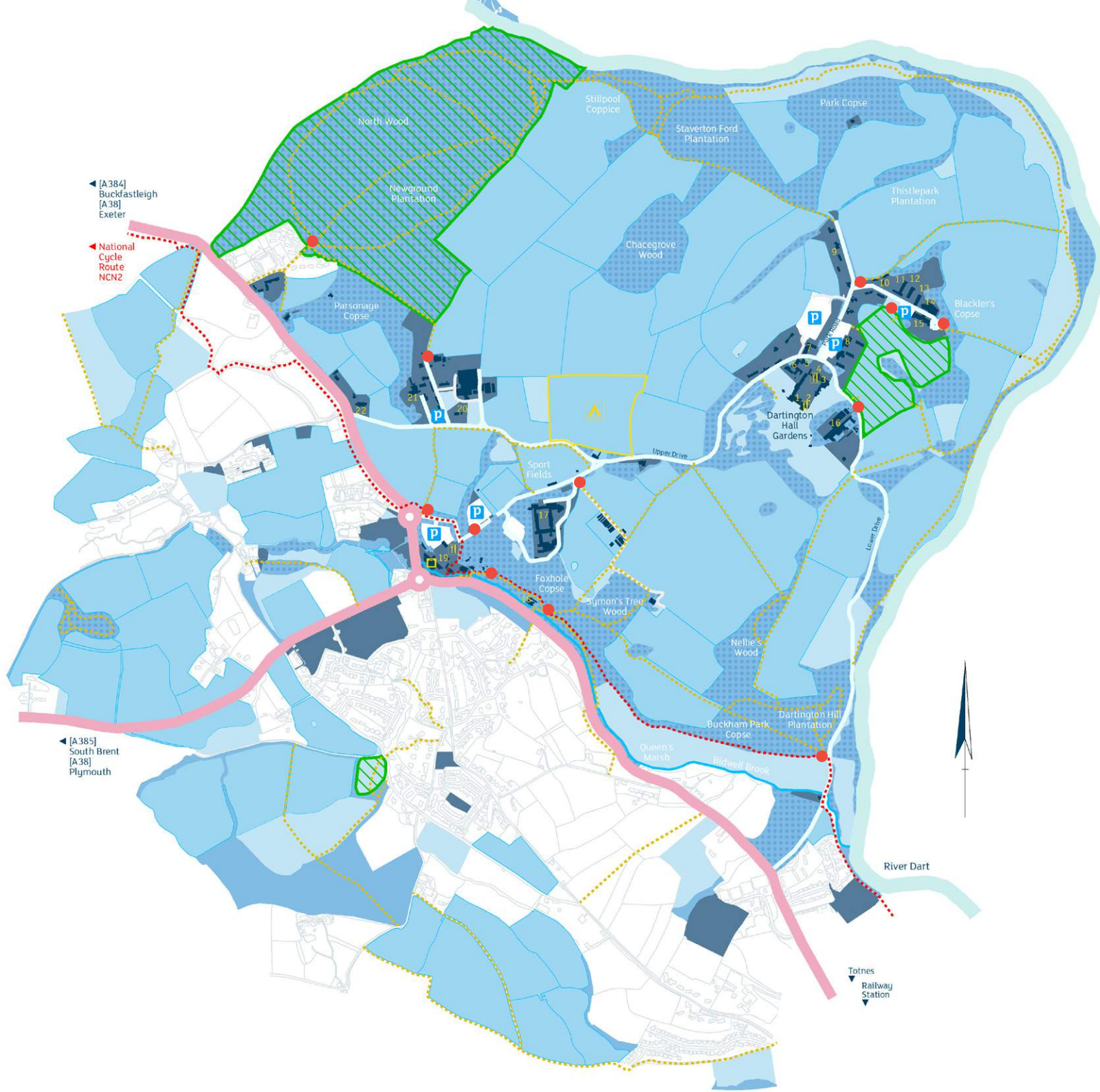
Dartington

Dogs on the estate *follow our lead*

The Dartington Hall Estate welcomes over 800,000 visitors to the core and wider estate land every year and we're delighted that dogs and their owners are among those visitors.

We welcome dogs onto the estate and the Dartington Hall Trust provides three permissive open access areas for their enjoyment (indicated on the map) but we ask that visitors with dogs follow the Countryside Code, and our own guidance, as they explore this beautiful area.





The Dartington Hall Estate

Key

1. The Great Hall
2. The White Hart
3. Barn Theatre & Cinema
4. Roundhouse Café
5. Granary
6. Print Workshop & Bindery
7. Visitor Centre
8. Higher Close
9. Warren Lane
10. Dynamic Adventure
11. Park School
12. Chimmels
13. Blacklers
14. The Hexagon
15. Aller Park
16. Space
17. Foxhole
18. Lower Tweed Mill
19. The Shops at Dartington
20. Old Parsonage Farm
21. Schumacher College
22. Dartington Church

Access

All dogs to be kept under close control and on leads around livestock
No dogs are allowed in Great Hall Gardens

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| | Main road | | Dog waste bins |
| | Estate road | | Parking |
| | Unsurfaced road | | Food & Drink |
| | Footpath (public & permissive) | | Shops |
| | National Cycle Path (Access for All) | | Campsite |
| | Permissive Open Access Area | | |



Please keep your dog:

- *on the path*
- *on a lead around all livestock*
- *on a lead in car parks and on pavements*
- *on a short lead during ground nesting bird season: 1 March -31 July*
- *under control*
 - *this means in sight and returning to you promptly on command*

Please pick up after your dog

Why are we asking you to do this?

- **We like wildlife.** We work hard to create conservation spaces for wildlife on the estate, providing a home to species such as otters, kingfishers and cirl buntings. By staying to the paths and keeping your dog on a lead during ground nesting bird season, you help to preserve this estate as a wildlife habitat.
- **We like our farm animals to be alive and healthy.** Being chased by a dog can cause livestock huge amounts of stress and physical injury in the act of trying to escape, both of which can be fatal. Just being chased can be enough to cause a ewe to miscarry her lamb, for example.

Similarly, dog faeces can contain diseases such as neosporosis, which can cause abortions in cattle, and sarcocystosis, which can cause neurological disease and death in sheep.
- **We like everyone to enjoy their time on the estate.** We have agricultural tenants, a school, a college, businesses and privately rented properties. The estate has an extensive network of permitted paths and we therefore ask people to make use of them in consideration to other users. Not everyone is a dog person and children in particular can find dogs intimidating so please bear this in mind when you come across others during your walk. Please always remember to clear up after your dog - thank you.
- **We like dogs.** Keep your dogs on leads in carparks and on walkways to reduce the risk of them being hit by a vehicle or causing an accident. Livestock can also pose a risk, particularly if your dog is in a position where they feel it is a threat to them. In the unlikely event that your dog is chased by cattle or horses, please let it off the lead to allow them to move away quickly. Don't put yourself in harm's way protecting your dog, it will be much safer if it can run away and so will you. If dogs are not under control, farmers can take action to protect their livestock. This may include placing the dog in an animal shelter for collection by the owner. But also be aware that the law permits a farmer to shoot a dog that threatens their animals.



Photos:

*One of Dartington's farm tenants keeps his dog 'Custard' on a lead
This sheep (above) was a victim of a previous dog attack on the estate
Undisturbed sheep (left) graze happily on the estate*

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