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Hollingworth Lake cafés are open for takeaway only every day except Christmas day (weather dependant). The toilets at lake bank and the pavilion are open every day except Christmas Day. The visitor centre remains closed at this time due to the current COVID pandemic.

in the meantime, we welcome visitors to responsibly enjoy the outside space of the country park with its lake and magnificent views of the South Pennines.

- Parks and gardens - information and advice
- View the latest on council car parks
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Address: Hollingworth Lake, Littleborough, Rochdale OL15 0AQ.
Opening times: the lake is always open. However, facilities at the lake, such as cafés or the visitor centre, have their own individual opening times.
Parking: Hollingworth Lake council car parks



About Hollingworth Lake

Hollingworth Lake is a man-made lake which spans 118 acres. It was originally built as the main water source for the Rochdale Canal during the 19th century.

The lake soon became an attraction for those living nearby and in Victorian times it was known as "The Weighvers' Seaport".

Visitor centre at Hollingworth Lake

We run a visitor centre at Hollingworth Lake which boasts a number of facilities to help improve your visit to the lake.

- Hollingworth Lake Visitor Centre - includes location, opening times, facilities and more.

Events at Hollingworth Lake

There are a number of events for you and the family to enjoy throughout the year at Hollingworth Lake.

- View all countryside events, including events at Hollingworth Lake

Activity centre at Hollingworth Lake

You can have a go at a variety of activities at Hollingworth Lake Activity Centre, including:

- **Watersports:** sailing, kayaking, canoeing, powerboating, windsurfing, rowing and more.
- **Outdoor activities:** rock climbing, mountain biking, archery and more.
- **Lessons:** courses, 1:1 tuition, group classes, qualifications and more.

Hollingworth Lake Activity Centre is managed by our partners Link4Life. Please contact Link4Life directly if you require further information on any activity.

View Hollingworth Lake Activity Centre website for more details

Fishing at Hollingworth Lake

You need a permit to fish at Hollingworth Lake. These are available from Hollingworth Lake Visitor Centre.

The lake is stocked with coarse fish, including bream, carp, tench, roach and perch. There's no

close season but there are restrictions on where you can fish. A small hide at the south west corner overlooks a natural area where boats and watersports are excluded to help you fish.

- Hollingworth Lake Visitor Centre - contact them to find out fishing permits.

Walking routes at Hollingworth Lake Country Park

As well as walking around the lake itself, the wider country park has plenty of walking routes. These range from easy strolls to sturdier treks in the surrounding hills. The visitor centre has leaflets and guide books for these walks.

- Walking routes at Hollingworth Lake

Getting to Hollingworth Lake

There are a number of car parks at Hollingworth Lake as well some public transport options.

- Car parks at Hollingworth Lake
- Plan your journey by public transport

Hollingworth Lake on a map



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