



Promoting sustainable tourism to build back better

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Introduction – about me and my background

What I'll talk about:

- **what we've been doing in our CRP to collaborate and work with others to help support the tourism industry**
- **how we're working with PDNPA to help our 'new visitors'**
- **Share a project from DVLCRP**
- **Our future plans**



Peak District National Park

14 million visitors per year

20 million people live within 1 hour's drive

50 million people live within 4 hours' drive



Who we are



Buxton Line

Glossop Line

Hope Valley Line



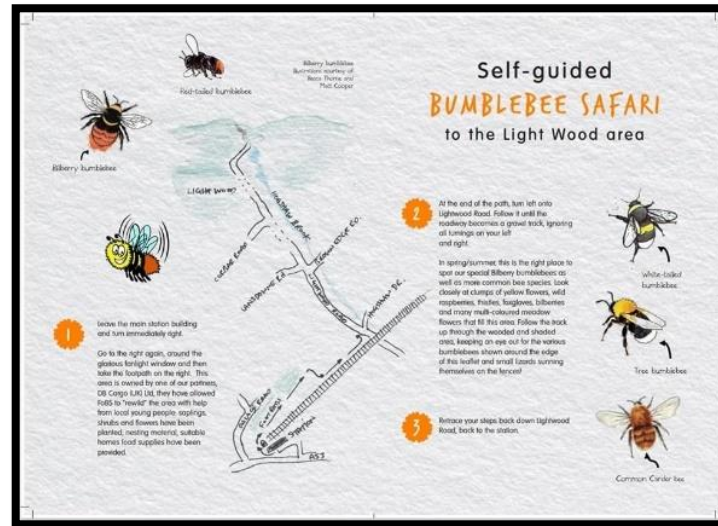
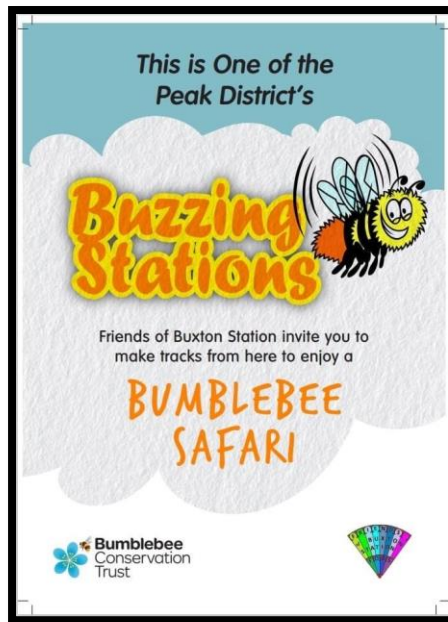
The Hope Valley Explorer bus connecting with Our Stations to take visitors to visitor attractions in Castleton and the Upper Derwent Valley.

Audio commentary on board.
Summer only.

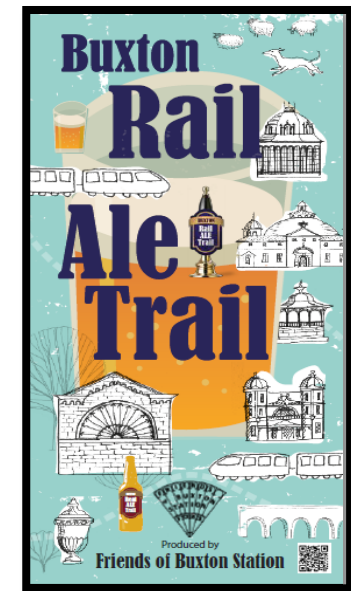




Our busy stations



Local projects to help promote our towns and encourage people back to the Peak District





What are the visitor issues especially in the countryside?

- Different audiences visiting the Peak District
- Lack of knowledge of the area
- Understanding how to 'behave' in the countryside
- How to get here and where to go
- PARKING



Supporting the Peak District National Park's
new Countryside Code campaign.

Banners at the stations in the Hope Valley





Working with the National Park Rangers

Grindleford Geological Trail

Trail Summary

Transport: Circular walk of roughly 4½ km along moderately easy tracks through streamside woodland and heather moorland, including some ascents. Option to add a 2½ km round trip through the National Trust's Longshaw Estate via a tea room and shop in a former hunting lodge.

Distance: 4 km 3 miles

Allow: 2 hr

Difficulty:



"Discover a medieval packhorse route, an inclined railway, and a quarry that supplied stone for building local dams."

This circular walk starts at Grindleford Railway Station and takes you to a historic quarry, through ancient woodland and a medieval packhorse route, and past the notorious Totley railway tunnel. You'll see abandoned millstones and evidence of Bole Hill quarry's important role in supplying stone for building Derwent and Howden dams. There's an inclined railway, a former mill, a martyrs' chapel and a prehistoric hillfort. You'll see how local stone undergirds the land and its wildlife and is crafted into walls and houses for local people.

This guide is intended to compliment rather than supplant appropriate navigational equipment and due care should be taken when undertaking the self guided trails. We recommend you carry and know how to use the correct Ordnance Survey map. Please wear sturdy footwear, take appropriate weather protection, food and drink and please remember to follow the Countryside Code.

Start and finish: Grindleford Railway Station: Upper Padley, Derbyshire. OS White Peak Area, OL24 SK251 788.

Access: Train to Grindleford station on Sheffield to Manchester line. Bus stops at The Maynard, near to the station. For current information on public transport phone Traveline on 0871 200 22 33. Parking: Car park at Grindleford station. Roadside parking on B6521 running above Padley Gorge.

Short walks to guide people and give them a positive experience

Introduce key messages around sustainable travel

Jane Eyre Hathersage Trail

Trail Summary

Transport: This circular film and literature walk takes you to the places visited by **Charlotte Bronte** that appear in **Jane Eyre**. You can also recreate the famous scene from **Pride & Prejudice** 'on location' above Stanage Edge and visit the grave of **Robin Hood's** sidekick **Little John**. Explore a Romano-British village, Norman fort, historic church and breathtaking moors on the way.

Distance: 8 km 5.5 miles

Allow: 3+ hr

Difficulty: Moderate difficulty. Easy underfoot with some steep ascents and descents. Valley fields, high moorland paths, woodland path.

Start and finish: The George Inn at the junction of the village Main Road (A6187) and the B6001 to Grindleford. OS Dark Peak Explorer Map, OL1. SK230 815.

Access: Buses from Sheffield and Bakewell stop on the Main Road. Sheffield to Manchester trains stop at Hathersage. Turn right out of the station. At the road (B6001) go right down to the village to arrive at the George Inn. Pay & display car park in village.

Map: Step into the pages of *Jane Eyre*, *Pride & Prejudice* and *Robin Hood*. The map shows a circular route through Hathersage and Stanage Edge, with numbered stops 1-9. Landmarks include Bole Hill, Stanage Edge, and the grave of Little John.

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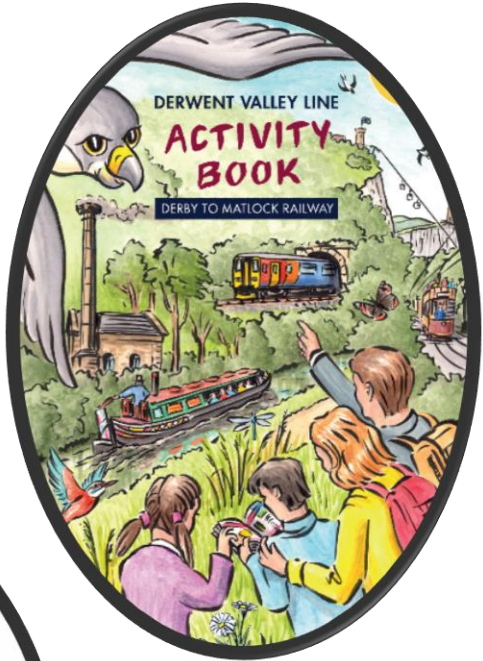
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Derwent Valley Line

- Runs alongside the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site
- Scenic rail journey with attractions
- Natural and cultural heritage





Derwent Valley Line - Your Adventure Starts Here



Salop Mills and Over Bridge
Ashley Franklin



Hill Top Park, Mallock
Derwent Valley Line Community Rail Partnership



Stark's Fingy, Criff Cross 2022
Alexis Minton, Derwent Valley Line



Cresland Canal
Ashley Parker



Old Lutter, Derwent Edge
Peak District National Park Authority



Mallock Rail Station
Derwent Valley Line Community Rail Partnership

Explore the Derwent Valley

The Derwent Valley is special with an outstanding diversity of landscape, geology, heritage and wildlife; where the gentle landscape of the lowlands meets the rugged uplands of the Peak District National Park. The Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site is globally recognised.

Take a journey back to an age when Britain held centre stage as the world's first industrial nation, to a place where water power was first successfully harnessed for textile production (a milestone in the Industrial Revolution).

Your journey on the Derwent Valley Line, from the urban edge of Derby, is characterised by open landscape and riverside meadows, beyond which are open upland pasture and large expanses of steep sided ancient woodlands hugging the hillsides. At Mallock Bath the Victorians were left in awe by the sheer cliff faces of High Tor, marking the change in geology from limestone to gritstone.

Jump aboard and join us, to discover attractions that all the family can enjoy including market towns, historic houses and gardens, theme parks, museums, outdoor pursuits and much more. Enjoy the valley on foot via the Derwent Valley Heritage Way, the 'Station to station' walks linking travel by train, or experience the Peak District via the multi-use Mansel Trail. Whether your interests are family fun, walking, cycling, history or wildlife the Derwent Valley is the perfect choice for a summer outing or a winter break.

Peak District National Park

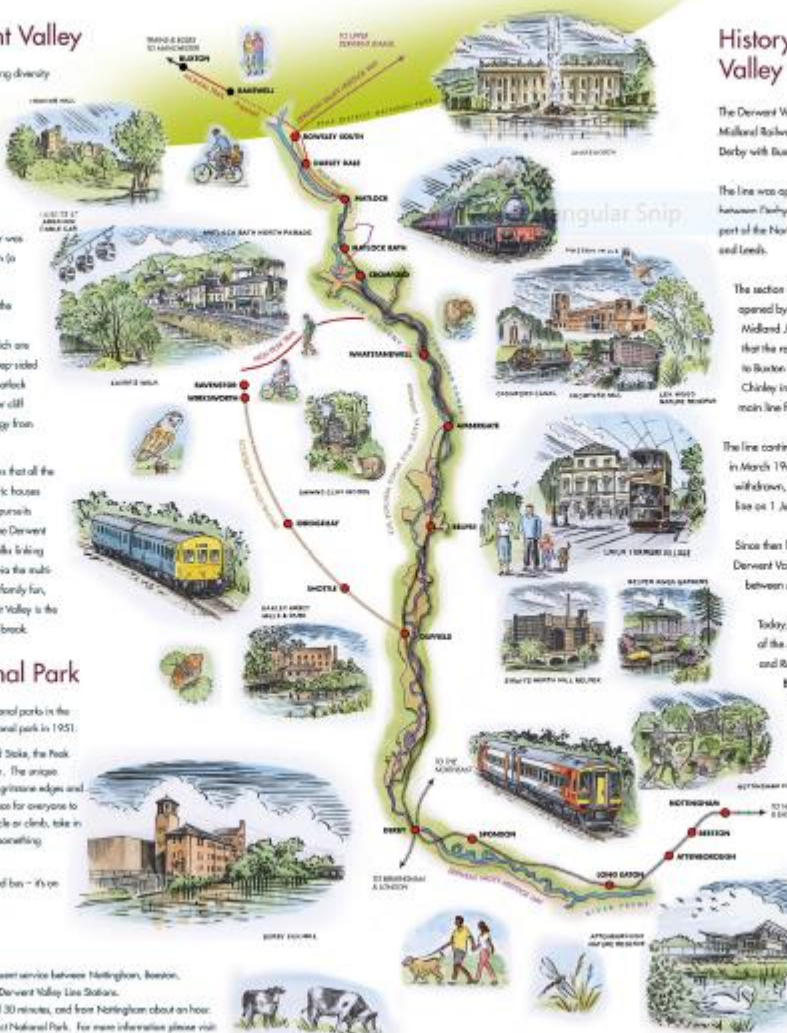
The Peak District National Park is one of 15 national parks in the UK. It was the first area to be designated a national park in 1951.

Surrounded by Derby, Sheffield, Manchester and Stoke, the Peak District National Park is at the heart of the nation. The unique landscape of steep limestone valleys, impressive gritstone edges and rolling hills make the National Park a special place for everyone to enjoy. Whether you want to come and walk, cycle or climb, take in the views or visit our towns and villages, there's something for everyone.

Come and explore the National Park by train and bus - it's on your doorstep.

Travel Information

Trains on the Derwent Valley Line operate a frequent service between Nottingham, Boston, Amberborough, Rang Eaton, Derby and the local Derwent Valley Line Stations. The journey from Derby to Mallock takes around 30 minutes, and from Nottingham about an hour. From Mallock, bus services run to the Peak District National Park. For more information please visit National Rail Enquiries - 03457 48 49 30 or www.nationalrail.co.uk.
Telephone: 0871 206 22 33 www.derbybus.info



History of The Derwent Valley Line

The Derwent Valley Line was once part of the truly scenic Midland Railway passing through the Peak District, linking Derby with Buxton and Manchester.

The line was opened in stages from 1840. The first section between Puyton and Ambergate was opened in 1840 as part of the North Midland Railway between Derby and Leeds.

The section between Ambergate and Rowley was opened by the Manchester, Buxton, Matlock and Midland Junction Railway in 1849. It wasn't until 1863 that the railway was extended from Rowley through to Buxton via Bakewell and Milers Dale, continuing to Chiny in 1867 and later into Manchester, creating a main line from London St Pancras.

The line continued in use for over a hundred years until in March 1967 local services north of Matlock were withdrawn, followed by the closure of that section of the line on 1 July 1968.

Since then local services have operated along the Derwent Valley Line to Mallock with Peak Rail operating between Mallock and Rowley.

Today, walkers and cyclists can enjoy two sections of the Mansel Trail: for 5 miles between Mallock and Rowley and a further 8½ miles between Bakewell and Chew Dale. Beyond this, the railway remains open for the movement of quarry traffic only.

At Duffield, the Midland Railway also opened a line to Wirksworth in 1867. A passenger service operated until 1967 and the line remained open for freight, until the last stone train in 1987. The railway was reopened in 2011, as the Ecclebourne Valley Railway, providing heritage rail services.



Paststone Viaduct, Mansel Trail
Country Roads



Amber Dale Station
E.R. Manton



Derwent Valley Line, near Salop
John Wainman



Stark's Fingy Station
Derwent Valley Line Community Rail Partnership



Amber Cutting Tunnel, Mansel Trail
David Walker



Ecclebourne Valley Railway, Duffield
Ecclebourne Valley Railway

www.ecclebournevalleyrailway.co.uk



Our plans for the future (COVID permitting)

- **Identify key events/anniversaries that our CRP can align with**
 - **2021 is the 70th anniversary of the PDNP**
 - **2022 is the 90th anniversary of the Mass Trespass (Hope Valley)**
- **Engage more with our DMO – Visit Peak District through better marketing of rail travel to the area**
- **Develop a joint marketing project with the Youth Hostel Association to promote rail travel to Castleton, Edale and Hathersage hostels**
- **Build on the Hope Valley Explorer bus and tie in with existing cycling initiatives e.g discount cycle hire if travelling by train**
- **Continue to support our station groups and communities in developing tourism projects**