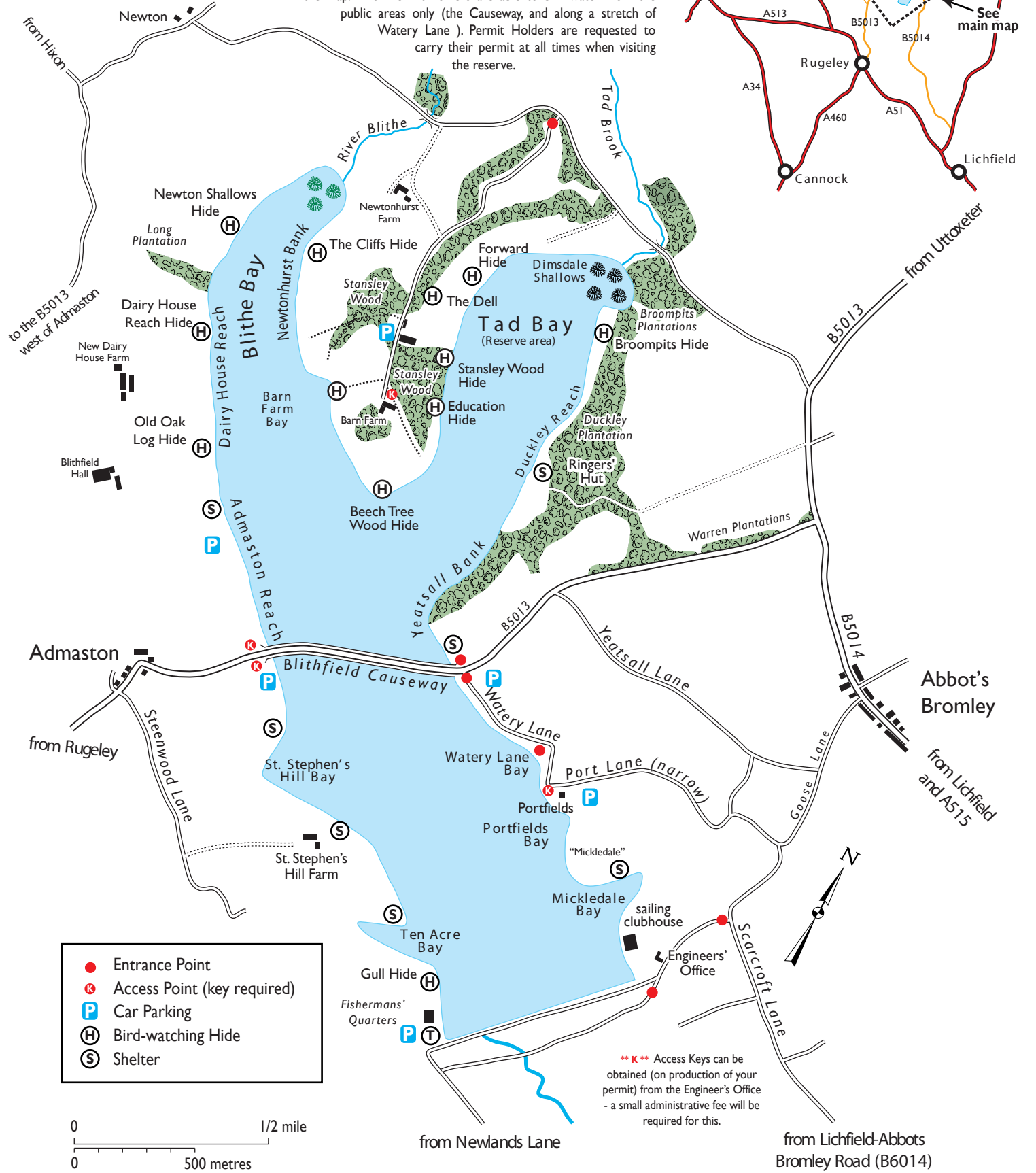
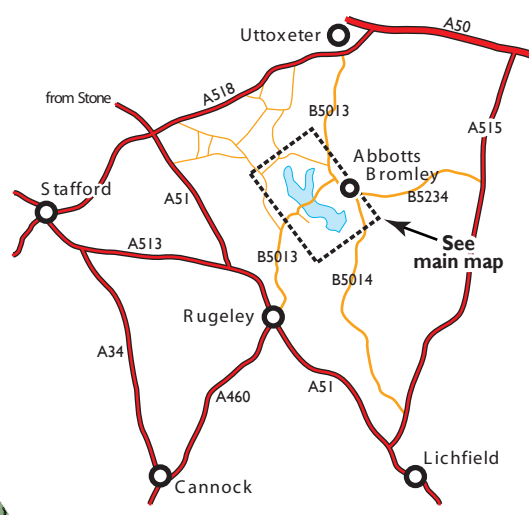


WMBC Access Map

Blithfield Reservoir

Blithfield is situated approximately one mile to the west of Abbots Bromley in Staffordshire. Access is possible via several roads around the site, with car parking available to Permit Holders at both ends of the Causeway, near the dam at the south end, and at the Education Centre near Stanley Wood, as well as other points around the site. Permit Holders may walk the entire perimeter of the reservoir and use a key (available from Engineer's Office) to access via car as marked on the map. Non-Permit holders are able to bird-watch from the public areas only (the Causeway, and along a stretch of Watery Lane). Permit Holders are requested to carry their permit at all times when visiting the reserve.



- Entrance Point
- K Access Point (key required)
- P Car Parking
- H Bird-watching Hide
- S Shelter

**** K **** Access Keys can be obtained (on production of your permit) from the Engineer's Office - a small administrative fee will be required for this.

How to 'work' the site:
 Blithfield's large size and long stretches of shoreline means that you have lots of options! The north side of the reservoir is perhaps a good starting point and parking near to the Education Centre will allow you to drop down easily into either arm for a view into both Tad and Blithe Bays where many of the ducks and waders congregate, and from there a walk round Beech Tree Point would make a good circuit if you only have a short time available. A telescope is essential for viewing the distant birds and allows inspection of any bird flocks without disturbing them. A start from either end of the Causeway enables coverage of the open-water areas and would be the ideal place to start a day's birding if you do have the time to walk the entire site.