

High Wheeldon

Location (GR):	SK 101660	Site code:	
Wind direction:	SW to WSW	Height:	1365 (500)

Characteristics

General

HGs once used this site but it is no longer feasible for modern gliders due to the restricted bottom landing area. It is now used by PGs only.

The take off area is on the slope so be prepared for immediate lift off on launch - cross brake technique is advised.

Look at the bottom landing before flying and consider the power and telephone cables.

It is possible to fly SE and cross the B5055 to Crowdecote if the wind is WSW

In a south westerly it is possible to cross the gap (stay well out) onto Aldery Cliff. But be aware that it may be difficult to get back and bottom-landing options are very limited. Also, much of Aldery Cliff is a spine back until you get well out to the north west.

Grade of flyer

CP (P when bottom landings are in silage)

Hazards

The site gets very bumpy above 20 mph

Pilots must assess the suitability of the site for themselves bearing in mind conditions and flying experience. For instance, there is a high wall behind take-off and no negotiated landing fields.

Site rules

Parking & access

Car parking is on the verge opposite the farm or in the small quarry further down the road.

Take care to shut all gates when crossing the yard and fields on the way to take off. The fields to the south have not yet been negotiated

If there is long meadow grass in the bottom landing fields, then this is a silage crop so do not land there. There is nowhere else at the bottom to land so do not fly unless you can get back on top or intend to go XC.

Mr Nadine the owner of High Wheeldon is asking pilots NOT to use the entrances to Wheeldon Trees farm (the house alongside the road behind the hill) to access the take off. The new route starts at the gateway about 50yds-100yds further south along the road. Please follow the route as indicated on the map.

The entrance to the actual take off field is a narrow gap with a loose gate WIRED into place.

The farmer does not want anyone to interfere with this gate or the other one further to the north along the back wall of the take-off field. DO NOT unwire and attempt to refasten the gate. If you want to enter the take-off you must pass your equipment over the gate and climb into the field. If you do not feel safe doing this don't fly.

Other points

Do not pay flying fees at the farmhouse (Bio security). Peak club pay the yearly fee.

Do not cross over open fields, always follow the walls closely.

Do not top-land in the fields behind take-off .

If you are not a BHPA member you must not in any circumstance fly at this or any Peak Soaring Club site.

Ceiling

FL 45. CTA Class A

High Wheeldon (map)

