

# TREAK CLIFF & LONG CLIFF

*Wind Direction:* East-northeast to north-northeast

Treak Cliff should be used in a north-easterly wind

*Take Off:* Treak Cliff A SK135 832 1150ft / 350m (recommended HG take off)

Treak Cliff B SK134 829 1100ft / 335m (recommended PG take off)

Long Cliff SK 138 825 1250ft / 380m

*Landing:* SK140 831 690ft / 210m

*Airspace:* Daventry CTA at FL65, but beware of Daventry CTA at 4500' immediately behind to the west!

*Hospital:* Northern General, Sheffield

*Site Code:* None

*Parking:* Treak Cliff: Use the large lay-by beyond the Blue John Cavern.

Long Cliff: Use the bottom landing car park, or opposite the Speedwell Cavern.

*Access:* Treak Cliff: As for the landslip, then follow the path past the Blue John cavern then up to the edge. For Long Cliff, the path goes from the Speedwell cavern at the foot of Winnats Pass.

*Characteristics:* Approached by the path passing the Blue John Cavern, Long Cliff is a good paragliding site for use in north-easterly winds, being lower it can be flown as an alternative to Lords Seat in strong winds. Most pilots using Long Cliff will launch from Treak Cliff and fly across. The East Face landing is a large field. Do not use any other field except in emergency. The wind will usually be very light in this field. In light winds the Windy Knoll landing may be used, but the wind there can be as strong as on the summit. There is a safe paraglider top landing on Long Cliff, but there is severe rotor behind Treak Cliff, do not go back behind the apex of this ridge low.

If landing at Windy Knoll from Treak Cliff, allow plenty of height (level with Mam Tor summit before going behind the edge).

*Safety:* These may be very busy sites, on the popular out and return from Mam Tor to Hope cement works. If you are tempted to fly to the top of Mam Tor read again the notes about top landing there.

Paragliders beware of hang gliders overshooting the Mam Tor top landing. Do not get blown back behind Mam Tor. Beware of power lines and trees when approaching the bottom landing field.

*Special Rules:* Treak Cliff is not a recommended soaring site for low airtime pilots

*Restrictions:* Treak Cliff and Long Cliff are closed during lambing (usually February to April), Notices are posted at all the access points and also see the DSC newsletter/website for dates, you may, however, overfly these sites during this period, but do not scratch!.



