Dove Stone

A gateway to the uplands which encircle the waters of the Dove Stone. Reservoir sailing club traffic on a section of the route. RADAR key required for gate.

Access For All Route:
1. From the top end of the car park, either head along the dam wall or along the road, in the direction of the sailing club, to a gate.
2. Follow the road to where the streams meet.

Access for Some Route:
1. At the far end of the dam wall, head up a steep tarmac slope with railings to a level track following the side of the reservoir.
2. A further steep tarmac slope with railings leads through a gate to the head of the reservoir.
3. Cross the dam wall and contour round the other side of the reservoir passing the spillway and Celebration Wood.
4. Follow the path as it winds down a steep tarmac slope before leading back to the car park.

The steps of Ashway Gap House, near Celebration Wood, are all that remain of this once-grand Victorian shooting lodge.

The spillway leads from a tunnel built to maintain the water supply to the local mill-owners.

Look out for the resident peregrine falcons, Britain’s fastest bird.

Distance: 1.2 km and 3 km to complete the loop
Start Point: Dove Stone Car Park, from the A635, east of Greenfield
OS Grid Ref: SE 0134 0342
Post Code: OL3 7NE
Nearest Facilities: Dove Stone Car Park

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