



## **Coach Directions to the Forest Classroom, Macclesfield Forest**

**Map ref:** SJ 960 712

**Post Code:** SK11 0NS

### **Important:**

- Do not simply follow your SatNav – ensure you use the directions below once you reach Macclesfield Town. This is because when approaching Macclesfield Forest from Macclesfield town most SatNavs will direct you along the A537 and then into Langley village by driving down a steep narrow lane (Coalpit Lane), which is totally unsuitable for coaches and where you will almost certainly get stuck.
- If you are coming from Buxton, Chapel etc. please note that there is no coach access into Macclesfield Forest along the narrow lanes from the East. You will need to approach via Macclesfield town, which is to the west of Macclesfield Forest.
- There is a low bridge in Langley, with height restriction of 13'6". Therefore make sure your coach company is aware of this, and **DO NOT BOOK A DOUBLE DECKER COACH.**
- We will meet you at the Forest Classroom. Please *do not* continue to the Rangers Office and Visitors Centre at the Trentabank Pay and Display car park.

### **Directions:**

- 1) Travelling South through Macclesfield town on A523, **DO NOT** turn left onto A537 (towards Buxton). Stay on A523 (signed Leek)
- 2) About 2/3 mile after passing the turning for A537, turn east onto Byrons Lane, signed to Langley and Wincle. This road goes immediately over a railway bridge.
- 3) Follow the road for 0.6 miles.
- 4) Just after "Ye Olde Kings Head" pub, continue under a canal bridge. This has a max height 13'6"
- 5) About 200m after the bridge, turn left along Jarman (this is the road name), signed to Langley. You will see the River Bollin on your right.
- 6) Continue for 0.4 miles, then follow the road around to the left, passing the "Church House" pub on your right.
- 7) At this junction by the pub, stay on the lower road, which continues to the left. This is Langley Road. (A right fork "Ridge Hill" climbs higher. Do not take the right fork!)
- 8) Continue for along this road. After ½ mile you will pass Langely Business Park on the right as you enter Langley village.
- 9) Continue to follow the road through the village.
- 10) About 250m after the entrance to the Business Park you will see Langley Methodist Church ahead of you. Just before the church, follow the road around to the left, signed to Macclesfield Forest (a small white sign). This is Main Road. This road is quite narrow and there are usually many cars parked along the road leaving few passing places. Proceed slowly!



- 11) As you start to drive out of Langley village you will see Macclesfield Forest ahead of you. You will pass a small reservoir on your left (Bottoms Reservoir) and then continue past a turning on the right to the United Utilities Ridgeway Water Treatment Works (this is ½ mile after the Methodist Church)
- 12) About ¾ mile after the Methodist Church you will come to the “Leather Smithy” Pub on your left. At this point follow the road around to your right, with a larger reservoir (Ridgeway Reservoir) directly on your right.
- 13) At the end of the reservoir follow the road around to the right.
- 14) Continue up the slight hill, and after 150m turn left up the drive signed to the Forest Office.
- 15) The Forest Classroom is the large brown building directly ahead of you at the top of the drive.
- 16) Coaches should park under the avenue of copper beech trees directly ahead, and just to the right of the classroom. Coaches can be left here for the duration of the school visit. Please DO NOT stop or park directly beside the white building.
- 17) The door in to the classroom is around the opposite side of the building. We will come out to meet you!

