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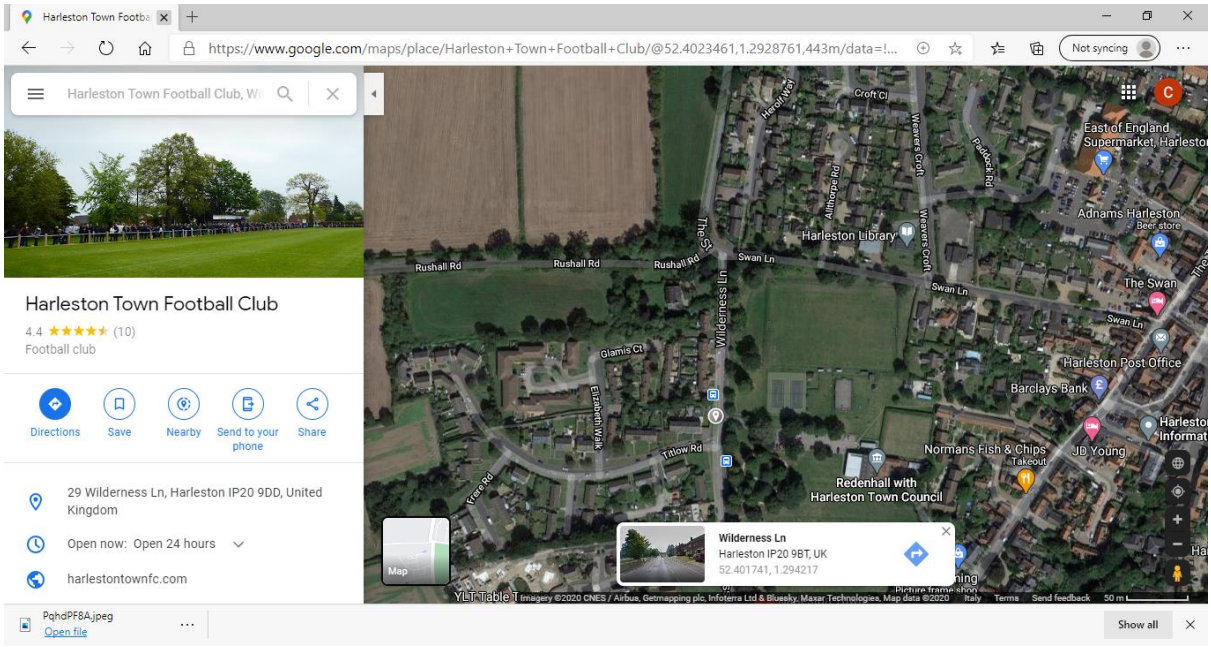
# Harleston Youth Football Club
# Under 15 & Under 16 Visitor Guidance
# Harleston Recreation Ground

## Location

Wilderness Lane Harleston, IP20 9DD.

**It is on the opposite side of the road to the Sancroft Academy High School - don't go in there, it will always be full on Sunday mornings for younger age group games being played there.**



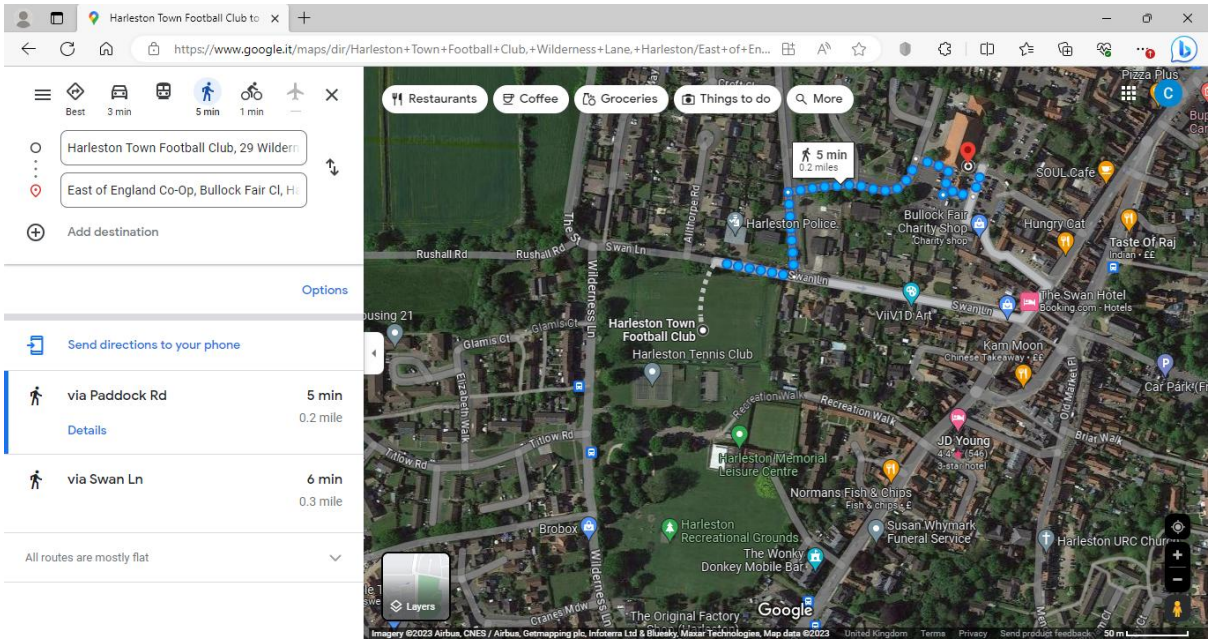

## Parking

Pretty much opposite the Titlow Road junction is the entrance to the car park, where there will usually be plenty of spaces. Mind the ducks!

On the next page is a photo of the entrance to the Rec car park, pointing towards the school which is 100m or so back down Wilderness Lane on the right hand side.

If lots of games are going on at the High School you may find that Wilderness Lane is full and so is the Rec Car Park.

If so, then further on-street parking is available along Weaver's Croft opposite the library to the far side of the Rec, or around the first right and onto the Co-Op car park from Weaver's Croft on Paddock Road IP20 9AT. All are within a few minutes' walk of the Rec pitch.




**Getting Pitchside**

The pitch is to the left of the car park as you drive in, behind the tennis courts. Walk down to the bottom of the car park, turn left and you will see an open gate next to the hut.

**Facilities**

Portaloos are available pitchside. Keys will also be available for the Visitors' Changing Room which is past the door of the Recreation Centre and immediately left as you enter the small car park at the back of that building, underneath the metal staircase.

The Recreation Centre itself will normally be open when matches are being played, and has vending for hot drinks as well as indoor toilets. All they ask is that any football boots are removed and left at the door on entry.

**HYFC Young Referees Programme**

Recognising a shortage of referees within the game in general and the club in specific, HYFC are offering a programme which funds and supports referees under the age of 21 to take FA-recognised refereeing qualifications, gain confidence and experience via refereeing HYFC matches. If one of these young referees is officiating the game which you are attending, please treat them with the same respect you would want others to treat your young person with if they were officiating.

**Photography & Filming**

Like most clubs, HYFC have players from backgrounds which mean that from a safeguarding point of view photos and videos of them should not be in general circulation - as this will bring with it a risk of their whereabouts being identified.

In previous seasons we have had objections from certain opposition officials and / or supporters when we have requested that filming from the touchline be stopped.

**Can we please ask you to take as the starting point that there should be NO photography or filming of HYFC matches unless this has been checked and cleared with the HYFC manager first.**

**Zero Tolerance Behaviour Policy**

HYFC have adopted FA Respect Guidelines and will have Respect Monitors on the touchlines at all matches.

Incidences of inappropriate behaviour either on or off the pitch will be dealt with appropriately by the Respect Monitor in conjunction with the HYFC team manager either during the match or after the match, and with reference to the relevant league or the FA as necessary.

We as a club recognise that we are far from perfect ourselves, and so we invite those who play against us to hold us to the same standards.

Only by working together in this way will we begin to see a reduction in the behaviours of the small minority which spoil kids' football for the well-behaved majority.

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**But most importantly of all, please enjoy your visit to HYFC, have a good game and a safe journey home.**

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