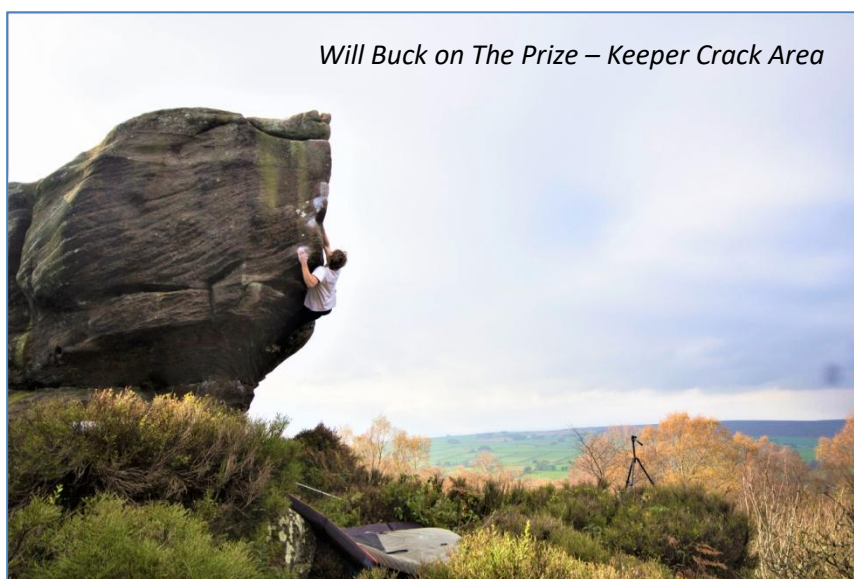


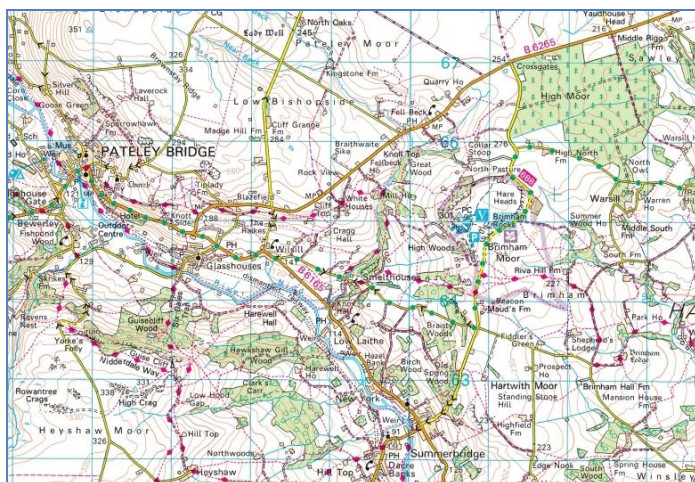
Brimham Bouldering.

There are a number of good guides to the bouldering at Brimham Rocks but most are either old or selective. The Brimham Project is an attempt to document all that is currently available and to point out gaps that may exist. There have already been some very good finds since the project kicked-off and more identified. Also, over the years many good, and some excellent, problems have

been lost to the vegetation or scittle and there has been a tendency for selected problems to become over-popular resulting in significant erosion. This is not helped by the softness of the Brimham grit which tends to scittle unless kept clean.



We have attempted to adopt a slightly different way of dividing the area in an attempt to make the location of problems a little easier than has sometimes been the case. The area has been divided into a number of circuits with logical starting points. Of course people are free to wander at will but we still hope the approach will lead to easier location even if you wish to attempt problems at far-flung locations.



Parking

The usual starting point for climbing is the Main Car Parks. These are free to National Trust (and reciprocal organisation) members with a charge being made to all others. The impecunious will find a small but free car park along the road below the start of the Low Roof/Hare Heads Area. Beware of leaving any valuables in your car as there have been break-ins here.

Conditions

As previously mentioned, the rock at Brimham can be soft so please avoid over-brushing and do not climb if the rock is damp. Slopers abound and problems range from barely waist height to ones that are really routes. Clean off as much chalk as you can when leaving problems. It is unsightly and draws dampness out of the air if left in poor weather. Please respect other users, taking care to watch your language - even if you grasped and very nearly held that crucial sloper. Midges can be a problem in summer, especially at the wooded edges. Relief can sometimes be sought around the pinnacles with The Atlantis and Radar Blocks being amongst the least blighted due to their elevated positions - so long as there is at least a little breeze. Avoid removing vegetation. If significant

gardening is necessary it may be best to approach the NT for permission, perhaps through the BMC Yorkshire and Humber Area Representative.

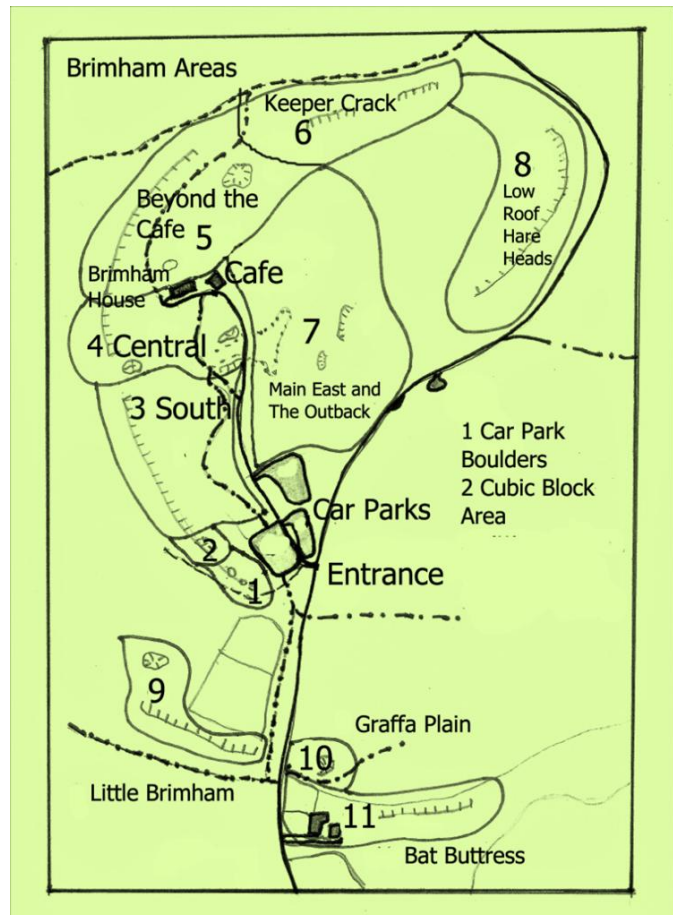
Lamping

Good conditions can be found at night though the car parks are closed at dusk or sometimes at 9pm. If you take a risk, it might be sensible to leave a note on your windscreen indicating what is being undertaken as there have been concerns since there have been instances of anti-social behaviour at times. Remember there are farms below the Edges so please keep noise to a minimum.

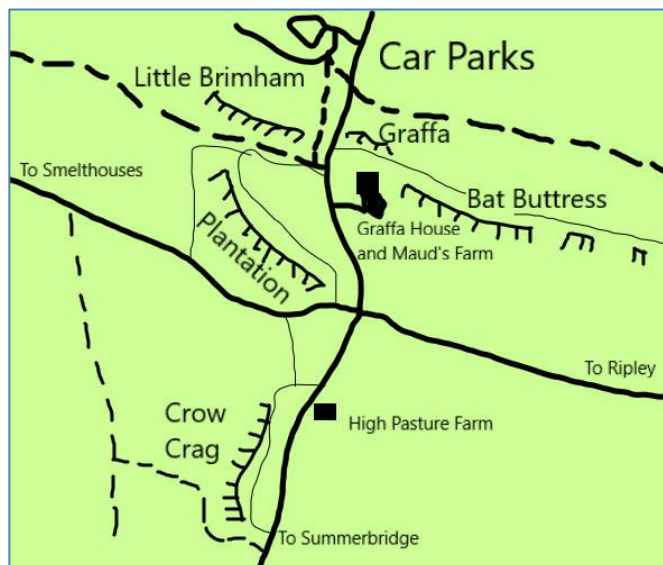
The Areas

The area guides are being produced by volunteers and made available free of cost. Without the expensive software necessary to achieve modern production values they may seem a little 'basic'. However, at least this means they will be cheap to print or, better, take out on your phone.

Acknowledgements should be given to the multitude of information sources – These include the YMC Grit Guides, Rockfax Yorkshire Bouldering Guide, Total Climbing, UKC, Peakbouldering.info and many individuals that have offered info, advice and support.

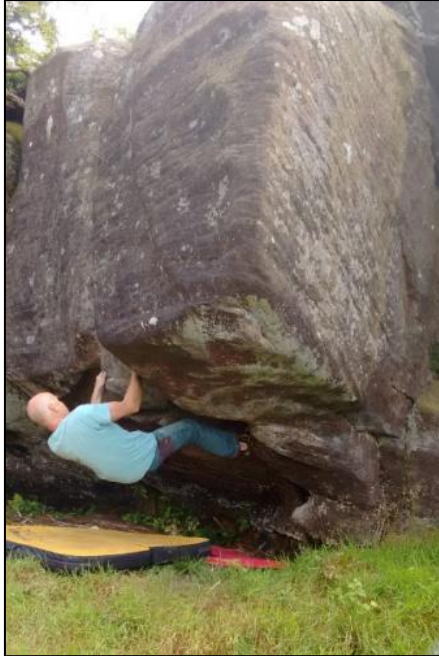


The areas are shown on the maps opposite.



Approach, Facilities, etc.

A good track leads northwards from the car parks to a pair of buildings. The first houses an outdoor cafe/kiosk with wood and stone seats and tables - snacks and drinks can be purchased. Ice-cream is also available but if you need one of these it's probably too warm for the ubiquitous Brimham sloper. Toilets are located behind the kiosk. The other building has a museum/display and also a trinket shop. There is a picnic area in front of these buildings but this can be crowded.



Amusement for family groups has always been an attraction of climbing at Brimham – a short rope to rescue stranded offspring can be a good idea.

Good après- bouldering sustenance can be found in Pately Bridge, Summerbridge and Dacre Banks.

*Paul Clarke on No Laughing Matter
Keeper Crack Area*

Cattle

At the time of writing there is a proposal to fence off parts of the moor and introduce cattle during the summer months. Fences and stiles may appear!

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/brimham-rocks/features/cattle-grazing-at-brimham-rocks>