

Haylodge Parkrun
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Robin Tatler
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Via email

Dear Robin

Haylodge parkrun - request to use a reverse route

Haylodge parkrun has held 59 events since it started in November 2018 and we've had 1,569 different people undertake over 4,400 runs, including 93 attendees on Christmas morning. Thank you for your support.

I hope that this request is straightforward. As you know, parkruns operate every Saturday at 9.30 subject to no other pre-planned usage of the park. You have also given permission for us to use the park on Christmas Day and New Years Day.

To mark the Leap Year we are proposing to run the course in reverse. We will start at the usual Finish line and finish at the Start line. We will use the paths as normal but will run in the opposite direction. The next leap year day that falls on a Saturday is in 2048 so not one for us to worry about, however if the reverse route is popular, we may use it for special events in the future e.g 100th run.

We have undertaken the standard parkrun Risk Assessment for the reverse route and can confirm that there are no material risks arising from the change. The parkrun central organisation has requested that we notify the landowner in order to gain formal permission to use the reverse route.

The usual protocols would apply, a 9.30am start with an expected finish time of about 10.30. Our average number of runners is 75 per week and I would not expect a material change from that. At this time of year, the key issue is the weather forecast.

I hope everything is clear but please contact me should you require further information.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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