

# BLUEBELL WALK

(STEEP INCLINES)

**Colour Coded Purple** (Approx. 340 metres.)

Bluebell Walk take's you up through the forest on what was once a forest worker's trail. In the spring this walk is carpeted in bluebell's as they bloom in the spring light before the tree's get their leaves and the sunlight on the ground fades.

# THE HIGH ROAD

(STEEP INCLINES)

**Colour Coded Green** (Approx. 740 metres.)

This walk has become very popular with the more energetic walkers so if you want to work out or simply enjoy the bird-song and views this path is the one for you.



MUCKNO PEACE PARK



## LOCAL ATTRACTIONS IN THE AREA

- Mindszenty Park Amenity Area Lakeview
- The Glencarn Hotel, Tel: 042 9746666
- The Concra Wood Golf Course  
Tel: 042 9749485



Web: [www.concrawood.com](http://www.concrawood.com)

**NOTICE:** The consumption of Alcohol is in this area prohibited in accordance with local by-laws.



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Hope Heritage Partnership wish to acknowledge the assistance of the following



## ABOUT US

Hope Heritage was formed in 2005 in response to a need for proper development of the Black Island and Muckno Area.

The Group submitted a funding application to Monaghan County Council led Task Force and was successful in acquiring funding to develop a peace park on the Island. The works in partnership with Coillte have included a Peace Monument, renewal of walks, construction of new walks, new seating, picnic tables and modern signage. We have also organised litter picking events and a very successful daffodil planting day. We hope you enjoy your visit to the island and we ask that in accordance with best practice for forest management that you would take any litter you may have home. We hope to continue our development plans for this area into the future.

We are also keen to ensure that this wonderful scenic area is maintained and developed for the benefit of the wider public community. We would like to express our thanks to Coillte and Monaghan County Council Lead Task force, for their help and assistance during the planning and implementation of this project.

## MISSION STATEMENT

*"The protection preservation and promotion of a sustainable environment through the use of non-impact activities, with active participation from the public, to enhance the natural surroundings for the benefit of the local and wider community."*

## OUR AIMS

The Hope Heritage Committee's goals for the Muckno Peace Park are to bring together different sections of the community from both sides of the border, this will include school trips, nature walks, fishing etc. We aim to help instill a better understanding of our different backgrounds and foster a more positive outlook for the future. The peace park will act as a focal point for these activities and will help heal the divides which have for so long existed in this country.

# THE BLACK ISLAND CIRCUIT WALK

(EASY WALK, ACCESS FOR ALL)

**Colour Coded Red** (Approx 1.7km.)

The Circuit Walk, as the name implies is the path around the base of the island. It's just over one mile long and relatively level, you can access all the other walks from here, just watch for the signs. There are a few fishing spot's along this path, turn left at the bridge and walk about 500 yards and here you will the Gas Lake. If we travel on further, we come to the Black Lake. This spot is not accessible for fishing at the moment but hopefully in the future it will. As we travel on we come to the Point, this has always been a favourite venue for families to picnic. It's also a good spot for fishing.

## Mc'Bride's Walk

(STEEP INCLINES)

**Colour Coded Light Blue** (Approx. 600 metres)

This walk take's you to a high point where you can enjoy a beautiful panoramic view of Lough Muckno's 900 acre's. From here you can also see Hope Castle, ancestral home of the Lord Blayney's, the new Concra Wood 18 Hole Championship Golf Course. On a small hill within a circle of tree's is Mullandoy graveyard which dates back 1300A.D. and was part of the original settlement of what is now Castleblayney. Also to be seen is Slieve Gullion a dormant volcano on east coast between Dundalk and Newry.

