

Crowborough Common

Welcome to Crowborough Common - over 220 acres of common land; ideal for exercise, dog walking and running.

This ancient, unfenced common extends from here at Beacon Wood to just short of the Crow and Gate pub, while to the east it extends to High Broom Road.

The present custodian of the common is Crowborough Beacon Golf Club Ltd. The 8th Earl De La Warr transferred the common, with Manorial Rights, to the club in 1906 for £750.

The club states:

“ *One of the Earl's conditions of sale was that the public were not to be excluded from the area*

“ *We could never own the land and keep out the public*

“ *Having the Manorial Rights is a hugely important asset to the Club ... these rights have to be exercised with good sense and in a spirit of sharing with a public whose rights to air and exercise are not in doubt*

Crowborough Common can be traced back nearly 1,000 years. The Domesday Book records a manor named Alchorne (Alsihorne) and Crowborough Common is the 'waste' of Alchorne Manor - the land on which the lord's tenants, the commoners, could graze cattle.

Most of the common is heath and woodland, with fairways and greens forming about a fifth of the total area. The common is the biggest green space within the town boundary.

Please take care when exercising rights over the common. Golfers have a duty of care to those enjoying the common, as do members of the public. All must behave responsibly.

Crowborough Common is registered with East Sussex County Council - unit number CL19.

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