

# The Really Big Cycle Guide EAST

## Sowerby Bridge



The Rochdale Canal and Calder & Hebble Navigation meet at Sowerby Bridge and the Wharf area is the heart of the town's great food and drink offer, with the Moorings Pub & Kitchen, Temujin Mongolian stir fry and Gabriel's Coffee Lounge.

Visit Tuel Lane Lock, the deepest in the country, and the adjacent Sowerby Bridge Market.

12 Sowerby Bridge Wharf

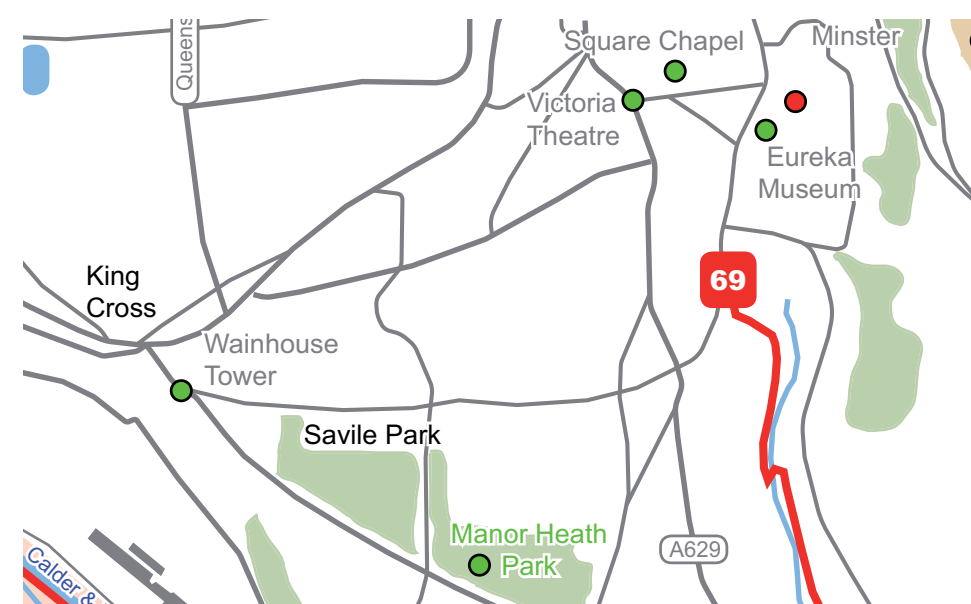


## Near Halifax

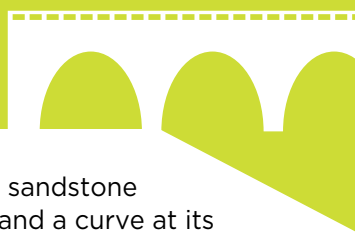


The 253 foot high Wainhouse Tower at King Cross, which can be seen from the National Cycle Network 66, was originally commissioned as a chimney for the local dye works by John Edward Wainhouse in the late 19th century. The structure was never used as a working chimney and is regarded by many as one of Britain's finest follies. The Tower is open to the public on certain dates throughout the year for ascents to the top via an internal spiral staircase.

The Green Flag award-winning Manor Heath Park is well worth a visit. The park offers a children's play area, rope climbing wall, picnic area and wooded trail. You can take a tropical tour around the Jungle Experience to discover prehistoric and insect eating plants, butterflies, fish and waterfalls and the walled garden hides ten completely different smaller gardens.



## Salter Hebble

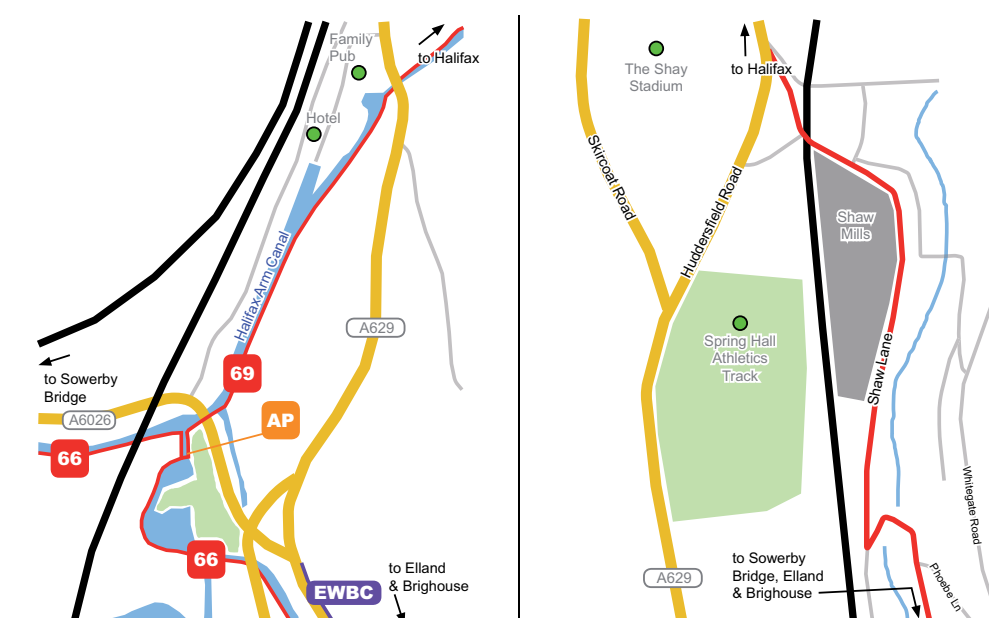


Salterhebble (the name means "the salt-sellers' foot-bridge") is located just outside Halifax, where Hebble Brook flows into the River Calder.

The Hebble Trail Cycleway leads from Salterhebble into Halifax, taking you past Shaw Lodge Mills, the Shears inn at 'Paris Gates' and the Shay Stadium to Eureka! the National Children's Museum, The Piece Hall, Bankfield Museum and Halifax Ski & Snowboard Centre.

With 13 sandstone arches and a curve at its northern end, West Vale Viaduct is an imposing sight. The Grade II listing viaduct is now open for walking and cycling part of the National Cycle Network.

13 West Vale Viaduct



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## Elland

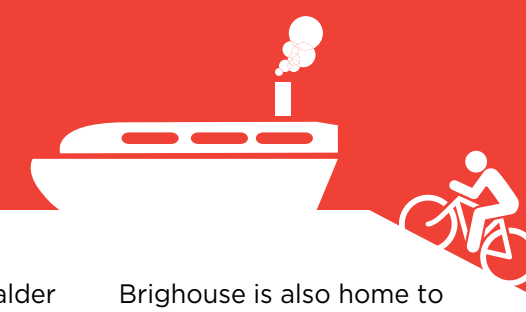


Family-run shops, cafes and restaurants and the weekly outdoor market gives Elland town centre a homely appeal. Elland is also home to The Rex Cinema, one of Britain's oldest surviving purpose-built picture houses and Joseph Dobson & Sons, the home of the Yorkshire Mixture, who have been making traditional confectionery for well over a century.

14 Joseph Dobson Traditional Sweet Shop



## Brighouse



Brighouse sits alongside the Calder and Hebble Navigation - part river, part canal. The town has a wealth of great annual events, such as the 1940's Weekend, Art Festival, Canal Festival and Victorian Christmas Festival, in addition to highly popular 'Totally Locally' street markets.

Brighouse is also home to Rokt Climbing Gym, the largest indoor climbing gym in Yorkshire! Prego's is a lovely family run restaurant for a well-deserved lunch or try the newly opened Millers Bar by the canal.

16 Rokt Climbing Gym



## Outdoor Activities

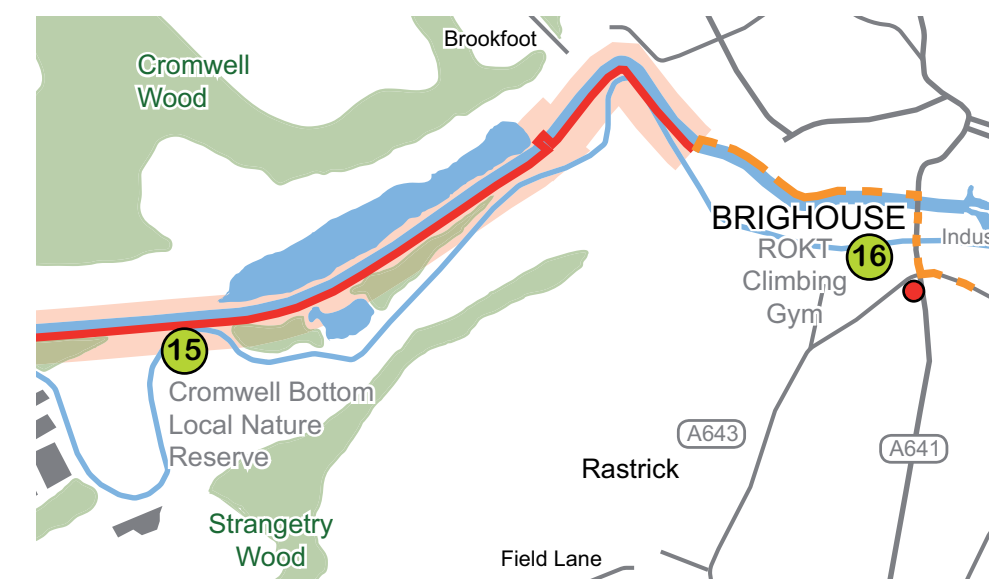


Just North of Brighouse town centre, Wellholme Park is well known for its spectacular floral bedding displays and has been awarded both the coveted 'Green Flag' status and the prestigious 'Queen Elizabeth II Fields' status.

Sit and relax in the surroundings, enjoy a picnic, explore the natural woodlands, go skateboarding, play tennis, crazy golf and crown green bowling. An exciting playground gives hours of enjoyment to our younger visitors.

Cromwell Bottom Nature Reserve is located next to the Navigation; one of Calderdale's richest areas of biodiversity, boasting over 130 species of plant, 200 species of birds, large numbers of mammals, amphibians and a plethora of invertebrate life.

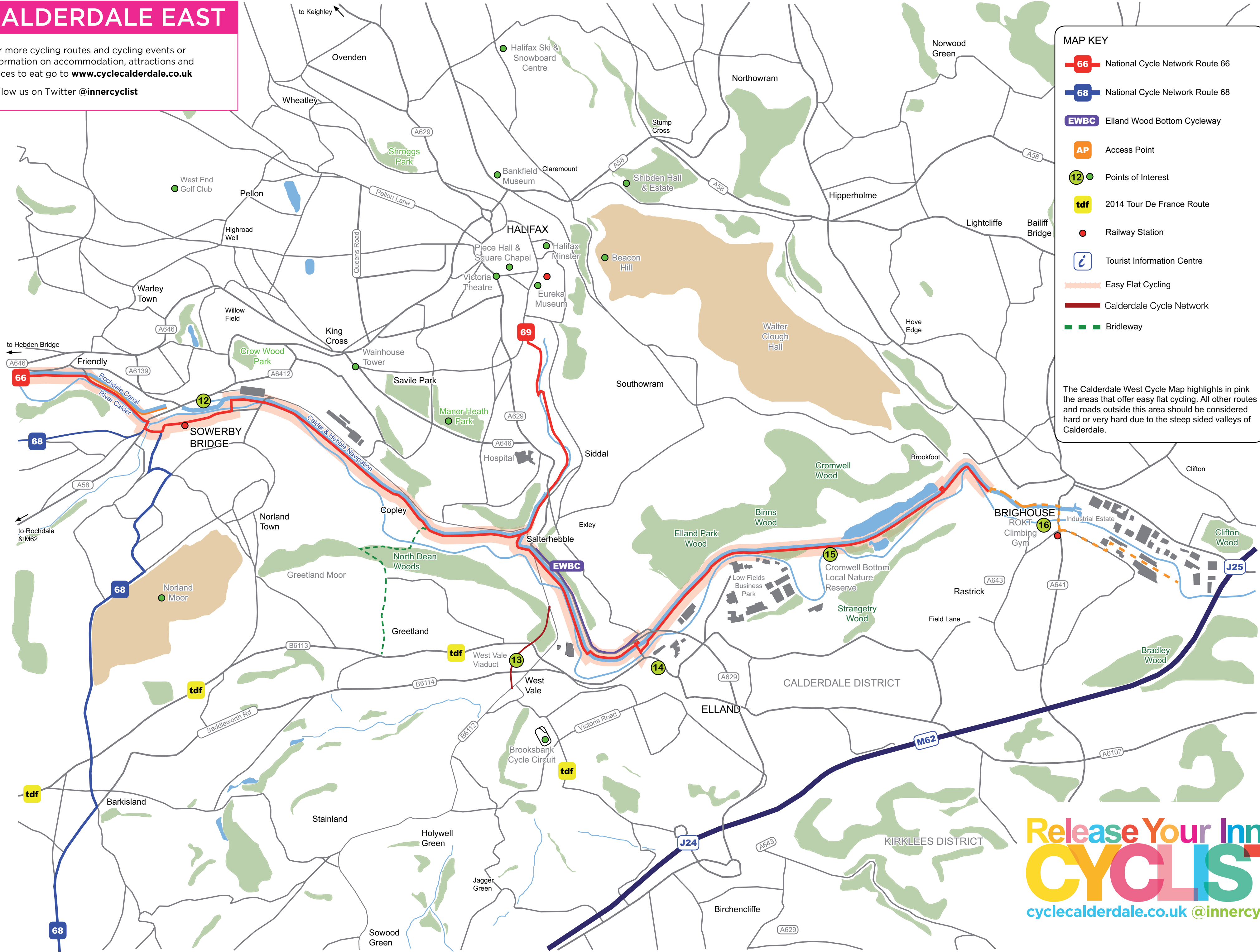
15 Cromwell Bottom





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**MAP KEY**

National Cycle Network Route 66

National Cycle Network Route 68

Elland Wood Bottom Cycleway

Access Point

Points of Interest

2014 Tour De France Route

Railway Station

Tourist Information Centre

Easy Flat Cycling

Calderdale Cycle Network

Bridleway

The Calderdale West Cycle Map highlights in pink the areas that offer easy flat cycling. All other routes and roads outside this area should be considered hard or very hard due to the steep sided valleys of Calderdale.