

Trail Information

Portreath: Once the most important industrial port in Cornwall

**Camborne
& Redruth
with
Portreath**



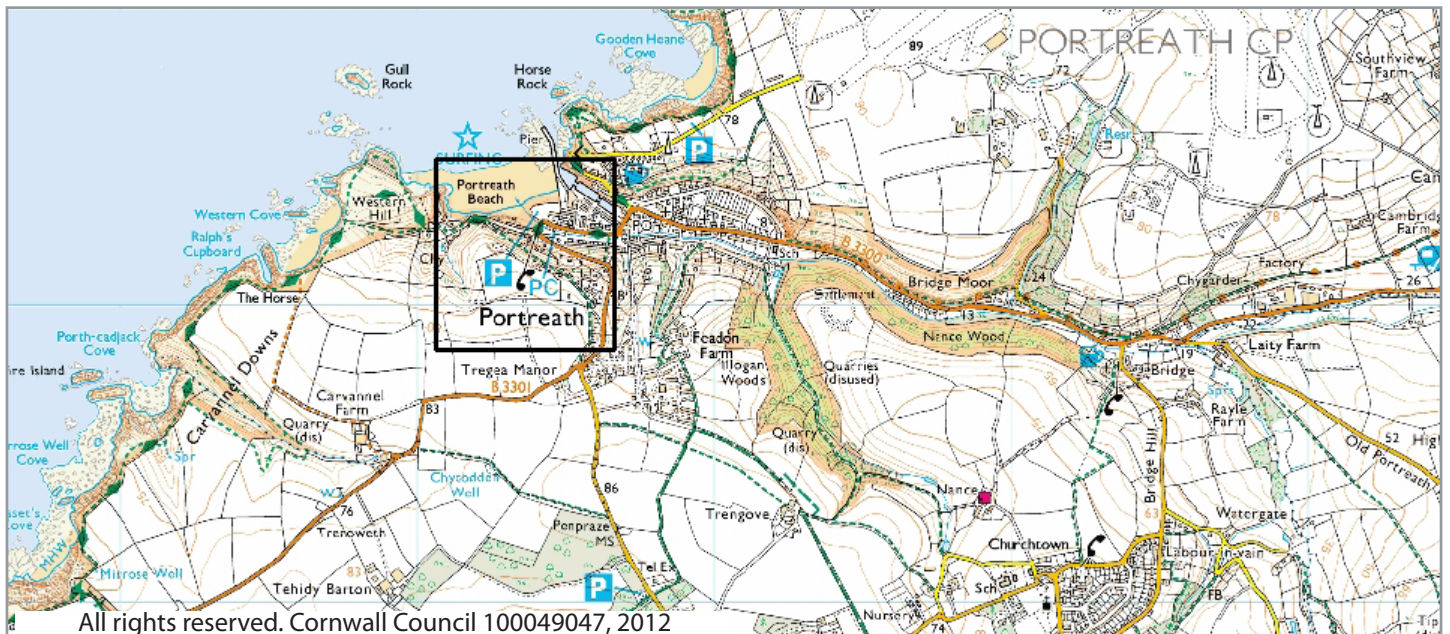
Approximate trail length
3 km (2 mile)



Time required
Allow 2 hours

When we admire the clean golden beach and breathe in the fresh sea air of Portreath, it's hard to imagine that this was once a bustling, dirty industrial port.

On this two mile trail, you'll find out all about Portreath's rise to become perhaps Cornwall's busiest and most important harbour in the early 19th century.





Starting point

OS Explorer Map: 104 SW655454

Post Code: TR16 4NQ

GPS: 50° 15' 40.32" N

5° 17' 30.50" S

How to get there

For all latest public transport information please refer to www.cornwallpublictransport.info



By train

- 5 miles from Camborne station.
- 5 miles from Redruth station.



By car

- Portreath is located on the B3300 which is marked from the main A30
- There is a pay and display car park next to the beach (where you begin the trail).

By bus

- From Redruth - FIRST Service No. 43 from Redruth



By foot/bike

- The Mineral Tramways Great Flat Lode Trail starts at South Wheal Frances.

About the trail



Approximate walking time: Allow 2 hours.

Grade of Walk: Easy (moderate in parts). The terrain consists of well maintained path and tracks, plus a final section along the sand.



Accessibility: Suitable for wheelchair users. The flight of steps after stop 4 can be avoided by returning past the inner basin and emerging onto 'The Square', turning left to reach stop 5.



Toilets: Public toilet facilities are located opposite the car park entrance.



Health & Safety: Please take care on the harbour walls – stay away from the edge and be especially careful in slippery conditions or high tides when waves can break over the walls. The last two stops are on the beach. Do not attempt them at high tide.



Other trails:

Mineral Tramways Great Flat Lode Trail. Maps and information about the trail are available as free downloads from www.cornwall.gov.uk.



Facilities: The Waterfront Inn is one of many establishments serving refreshments.



Remember that you can find out more - and see photos - on the Delve Deeper guide available at www.cornishmining.org.uk. There are also downloadable children's activity sheets to ensure a fun outing for all the family!

Further information concerning the World Heritage Site:

Tel: + 44 (0)1872 322586 or www.cornishmining.org.uk



Portreath Audio Trail Map

