Wolla Bank Reedbed



Location & Access

Os: 122 • GR: TF 556 749 • 2.90ha (7.10 acres) • Leasehold 1965 Habitat type: Marsh/Wetland

The reserve lies between the coast road and the sea wall about 1.6km (1 mile) south of Anderby Creek. There is no access to the reserve, which can be viewed from the Wolla Bank car park and access road.

Description & Management

Having been partially scraped for clay for the repair of sea defences following the east-coast floods of 1953, the area is now an extensive reedbed. Water rail, reed warbler, sedge warbler, cetti's warbler, grasshopper warbler, reed bunting and whitethroat all nest. Marsh harrier and hobby occur regularly in the summer and short-eared owls can be present in winter. Bearded tit is a regular visitor in the winter. A starling murmuration can sometimes be present in the winter months.

There are small pools and grassy areas with sea club-rush and sea couch. Small stands of sea-buckthorn occur here attracting wintering thrushes when in fruit. The car park verge alongside the reserve is being managed as a wild flower meadow.



