

TRAVELLING BY BUS TO LACEY GREEN WINDMILL

Lacey Green is served by Arriva Buses on Route 300. The route is from High Wycombe Bus Station, via Hughenden and Naphill, to Lacey Green, then via Princes Risborough and Stoke Mandeville to Aylesbury Bus Station.

At the time the windmill is open, on Sundays and Bank Holidays, the current timetable (Issue 7, from 19 April 2015) shows that buses run at the following times:

NORTHBOUND BUSES:

Leave High Wycombe Bus Station at 00 mins past each hour.
Stop at Lacey Green (The Whip) at 19 mins past each hour.
Stop at Princes Risborough (Market Square) at 27 mins past each hour.
Arrive at Aylesbury Bus Station at 51 mins past each hour.

SOUTHBOUND BUSES:

Leave Aylesbury Bus Station at 05 mins past each hour.
Stop at Princes Risborough (Market Square) at 27 mins past each hour.
Stop at Lacey Green (The Whip) at 33 mins past each hour.
Arrive at High Wycombe Bus Station at 51 mins past each hour.

Alight at The Whip bus stop, and you will be very close to the end of the path to the windmill, which is just to the right of The Whip pub. The stop on the windmill and pub side of the road is for the southbound buses to High Wycombe. The stop on the opposite side of the road is for northbound buses to Princes Risborough and Aylesbury.

A current timetable is available from the Bucks County Council: www.transportforbucks.net/Uploads/Files/300.pdf

TRAVELLING BY TRAIN TO LACEY GREEN WINDMILL

Princes Risborough Station is served by Chiltern Railways services between London Marylebone, and from Birmingham Snow Hill via Banbury and Bicester North.

At the time the windmill is open, on Sundays and Bank Holidays, from Marylebone to Princes Risborough there are currently 2 fast trains an hour (taking 34 or 44 minutes).

At the time the windmill is open, on Sundays and Bank Holidays, from Birmingham Snow Hill to Princes Risborough there is currently 1 train an hour (taking 88 minutes from Birmingham, 31 minutes from Banbury, and 19 minutes from Bicester North).

Look at www.chilternrailways.co.uk to see suitable train times, or download various timetables.

Lacey Green Windmill is 2 miles from Princes Risborough station, but to walk by road is not really advisable as some of the road is very narrow. A large amount is also uphill, so not easy for all. There are unfortunately no easily identifiable footpaths as an alternative.

Please note that taxis are not normally available at Princes Risborough station on Sundays, but it is not a long walk from the station to the A4010, where the 300 bus runs, as detailed above, although note that this is only an hourly service when the windmill is open.

Turn left out of Princes Risborough station building, then the access road turns to the right. Turn right again along Station Road, keeping on Station Road where it turns to the left. Turn next right into Poppy Road. At the end you will come to the main A4010 road. You will need to cross this road to the bus stop on the opposite side for buses on Route 300 towards Lacey Green and High Wycombe.

As detailed above, buses on Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays (from 19 April 2015) leave this bus stop at around 28 minutes past each hour. Buses to return you to Princes Risborough leave Lacey Green at 19 minutes past each hour.

With the current timetables (from 17 May 2015), and making the above train and bus connection, the minimum journey times to Lacey Green would be 58 minutes from Marylebone, 142 minutes from Birmingham, and 85 minutes from Banbury. This is because the time in Princes Risborough from arriving at the station to the bus departing could be 18 minutes for the train from London, but 48 for them train from Birmingham.

TRAVELLING ON FOOT TO LACEY GREEN WINDMILL

In these days of people seeking sustainable means of transport that are friendly to the environment, then I have to mention that the Chiltern Way footpath passes very close to Lacey Green Windmill, in fact over the farm on which the windmill stands, and over a stile right beside the bus stop mentioned above, where buses on Route 300 stop on their way from Aylesbury to High Wycombe.

So if you feel like walking to the windmill then there can be no finer way of exploring the Chilterns as well, than via the Chiltern Way which is a footpath of around 180 miles (or 300km) that the Chiltern Society has established around the Chiltern Hills. Of course, if you intend walking from a great distance, then you will have the added challenge of timing your walk to arrive at Lacey Green Windmill during the three hours that we open on around 25 days each year.

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