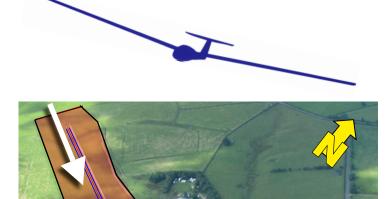
Safety on the Airfield for Visitors

An active airfield can be a dangerous place if you are unaware of what is going on and how it may affect you. For your own safety, club rules require that visitors must always be accompanied by a club member when going beyond the car park and clubhouse or when proceeding to a launch point.

When you arrive at the club, please follow the signage from the car park and go into the clubhouse. You will almost certainly find a club member there who will be pleased to help you and arrange for you to see our introductory video. Meanwhile, arrangements will be made to escort you to the appropriate launch point.

If the clubhouse is deserted, then everyone must be flying or working on aircraft in the workshop. Please do not leave the clubhouse to search for someone, but instead, ring the launch point using the telephone on the back wall of the foyer. These instructions are also to be found on a sign in the foyer. The number to ring is 0777 944 1283. The Duty Manager at the launch point will arrange for someone to come to the clubhouse to meet you.



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Airfield Dangers

Gliders fly fast and silently and can approach the airfield from a variety of directions when landing in different weather conditions, (as the white arrows on the picture show).

Heavy steel cables are also laid the length of the field and drawn in at high speed by the winch. When the cables are released by the glider, they fall to earth by parachute, often landing far away from the line of launch due to crosswinds. Both cables and landing gliders can be very dangerous to people who are in the wrong place. Also, people walking on the field can put pilots in danger as they have to make late changes to their landing pattern to avoid them.

For these reason, it is never safe for the inexperienced to enter the red area in the picture on the left, or to go beyond the clubhouse and car park unless accompanied by an experienced club member.

Stay Safe and Enjoy your Flight!

This aerial view of the airfield shows where the Car Park and Clubhouse are situated, as well as the general layout of the field when we are operating in a Westerly wind.

