



## ***RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY***

### **Godshill Inclosure Walk**

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025  
 Weather: Sunny but cold  
 Walk Leader : Jean Crawford  
 Attendees: 13

This mornings short walk started from Godshill Inclosure car park. Located off Roger Penny Way at Godshill, five miles northeast of Fordingbridge and is a good starting point for many New Forest walks. The Inclosure was first enclosed in 1810 and planted with oak and beech some of which still exist. In the 1900s it was underplanted with other broadleaves, predominantly Sweet Chestnut and also with Scots Pine and Larch being introduced along the eastern fringes. More extensive areas were cleared and planted with conifers in the 1950s and 1960s on the higher ground in the core of the wood.

It was a beautiful sunny morning and we walked along a wide grassy area bordering the inclosure to the left and with a beautiful view towards Millersford Bottom and Godshill Ridge where Roger Penny Way runs along to the right. We reached Densome Corner, a busy meeting point of many New Forest paths, where we returned back retracing our steps.

<b>Birds</b>	<b>Fruits</b>
Redwing	Holly Berries
Robin	Crab Apples
Blackbird	Mistletoe Berries
Goldcrest	
Fieldfare	<b>Flowering Plants</b>
Firecrest	Common Gorse
Red Kite	
Sparrowhawk	<b>Insects</b>
Wood Pigeon	Midges (lots!)
Reed Bunting	



*View towards Roger Penny Way from Godshill by Gerry Traves*