

Whitby Neighbourhood Plan - Non-Designated Heritage Asset

Name: Calla Beck Art Trail

NDHA No.: 22

Address/Location: California Road, Spital Bridge, Whitby

Type of NDHA	Age of NDHA Approximately	Local Significance Reason
1. A building or structure 2. A monument or site of archaeological remains 3. A group of buildings or structures 4. A landscape 5. A place, street, lane, park/ parkland, formal garden or natural green space	Pre 1850 1851 - 1900 1901- 1950 1951 on	1. Design Value 2. Group Value 3. Archaeological Interest 4. Designed Landscape Value 5. Landmark Status 6. Rarity 7. Local Distinctiveness 8. Documentary Evidence 9. Historic Association 10. Social and Communal Value 11. Intactness

Detailed Description:

The Calla Beck green space is a site of special scientific interest (SSSI), and an art trail was developed in 2005-2006 as a way to focus the regeneration of the area. Viv Mousdell provided carved rocks with verses within the area (the rocks being from the Aislaby quarry), and Steve Iredale chainsaw sculpted several figures to accompany the verse from trees. The verses originated from East Whitby Primary children's stories of games they used to play in the area. Various paths were provided to connect the art trail, as well as a wildlife pond in the central area, with the trail being developed with the involvement of disability access groups.

Whilst the aim was for a residents group to look after the area subsequent to the provision of the art trail, that was not ultimately successful, and the area is currently in a very poor state. It has suffered from a lack of annual maintenance, and a lack of further investment. Boardwalks and bridges have broken lats, and the vegetation has not been adequately cut for several years. As a consequence much of the art trail that survives is either covered over by moss, rotted, or under the mass of vegetation. A significant amount of the trail could be restored with work.

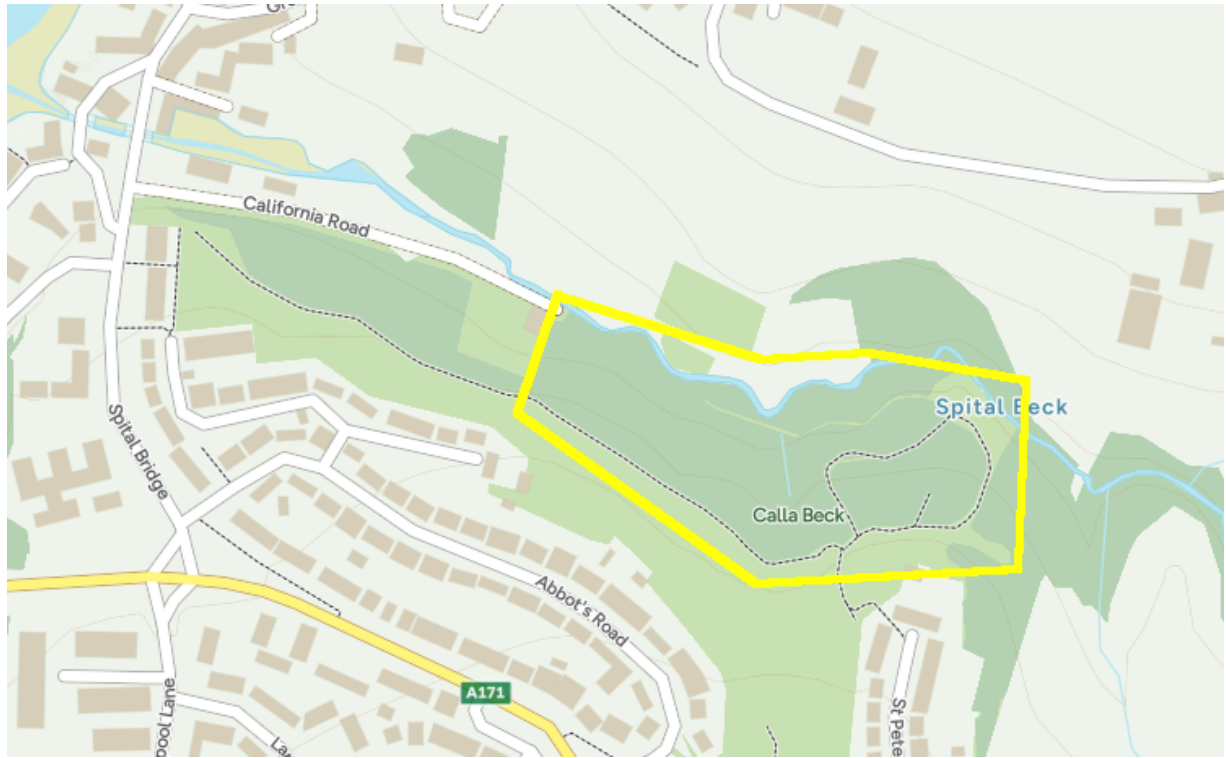
Note: This art trail should be put on the "At Risk NDHA" Report due to its very poor state currently.

Photo(s) of NDHA:



Map of NDHA:

The current layout of the Calla Beck green space area is shown below highlighted in yellow.



List of Sources:

Map : <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=17/54.479937/-0.605106&layers=N>

Owner Notification: Yes/No