



Bengo Trails 3: Bengo Field Views

This trail visits Bengo Field to see two of the important views and the designated green space given additional protection in the [Bengo Neighbourhood Area Plan](#). It ends at the Bengo Community Garden, which evolved out of the Neighbourhood Plan. This trail was produced by the [Love Bengo Community Group](#).

Starts: The Greyhound Pub at the top of Bengo Street, SG14 3EY

Ends: Bengo Community Garden, Tower Street, SG14 3HD

Distance: 1.6m/2.7km

Conditions: Some unsurfaced paths and grassy areas. Mostly flat with a small downhill and uphill section to the 'Lonely Oak' on Bengo Field



With The **Greyhound Pub** on your right, walk north along Bengo Street, over the pedestrian crossing and turn left into Sacombe Road, past [Bengo Primary School](#) onto the path to the left of the narrow pavement. Turn left into the **Sacombe Road Play Area**. Behind the younger children's play area, is the **Woodland Adjacent to the Sacombe Road Play Area**, which has [Local Green Space](#) designation through the

Neighbourhood Plan. It's described in the Plan as '*pretty woodland used regularly by residents for walking, cycling and play*'.

Turn right out of the play area, over the Sacombe Road pedestrian crossing, and turn left then right into Nursery Way, then left into Butterfield Drive. Bear right and enter **Bengo Field**. (large phone mast on your left). Join Byway 1, to your right, and walk north to the brow of the hill.

On your right is **Land at Bengo Field** (hatched green in the image right) which has **Local Green Space** designation through the Neighbourhood Plan, giving it additional protection from development. The Plan says, '*views north across the site are iconic of Bengo*'.



Looking north from the brow of Byway 1 is Neighbourhood Plan View 2: **North from Bengo Field towards 'The Lonely Oak'**. The view

description says '*just over the rim of the hill, on the far side of the oak tree, lies the ancient St. John's Wood. As the only agricultural land within easy access of the Molewood Estate, this view is not only iconic of Bengo, but much enjoyed by local people. The land is part of the Green Belt and the subsoil of the pathway running through it has been registered as an Asset of Community Value*'.

Walk down Byway 1, and, just after the 'Lonely Oak' tree, Neighbourhood Plan View 3: **Bengeo Field towards Ware Park Manor** is on the right. The Plan says: *'The panorama to the east reveals Hertfordshire's rolling countryside, whilst a manor house is seen nestling on the opposite side of the valley. The partly wooded valley on the other side of the River Rib provides a stunning vista in all seasons'*. The Bengeo Field views are highly valued by walkers and cyclists.



Retrace your steps to Bengeo Primary School, turn right onto Bengeo Street and continue along Bengeo Street for around 5 minutes. Turn right onto Footpath 90 (signposted The Drive). At the end of the footpath, turn left onto Duncombe Road (no road sign here). A short way along on your left is [Bengeo Parish Church Hall](#), which has additional protection through the Neighbourhood Plan. The



Plan says – *'this red brick building with decorative detailing, built in 1899 by Robert Green, is the church hall for Holy Trinity Church, which is on the corner of Bengeo Street and New Road'*.



[Bengeo Community Garden](#) is to the right of the church hall. The Neighbourhood Plan committed to *'support the landscaping of a community garden on the empty plot on the corner of Duncombe Road and Tower Street'*. In 2023, a small group of Bengeo Neighbourhood Area Plan volunteers established the site as a community garden, working with East Herts District Council, Mudlarks, and local residents.

Trail 3 ends here.

Route Map: Bengeo Trails 3 – Bengeo Field Views
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