

Bagshawe Resurgence Cave, Bradwell:

Grid Ref: SK 17405 80986 (GPS), Alt: 185m.

Length: 50m+

Access: No known restrictions.

Introduction:

Although short this is a highly significant site, producing more water than the combined flow of Castleton's Peak Cavern and Russet Well. Divers over the years have tackled the underwater choke in Sump 2 pushing it to a point some 20m from base. The dig has yet to gain open passage but there is still great potential. The furthest known feeder to this site is Dowse Hole 3.4km away and 115m higher.

The Cave:

From the road steps lead down to the stream issuing from a culvert up in the left wall. Climbing up into this accesses a short crawl leading to **Sump 1**. This is 9m long with a bouldery floor and generally very clear vis. Beyond is a short passage full of mining and digging debris. Back to the right a dry passage leads back to the surface bypassing Sump 1. Ahead the passage soon ends with **Sump 2** on the left. This is 5m deep to a boulder blockage which has been engineered and dug through by a number of different divers over many years to reach a point 18m from base. Potential at this site is still good but the passage ahead will be hard won.

Description Notes:

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Surveys:

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