

 'A Knight's Peril' and 'The Story of Bodiam' display

 Tea Room

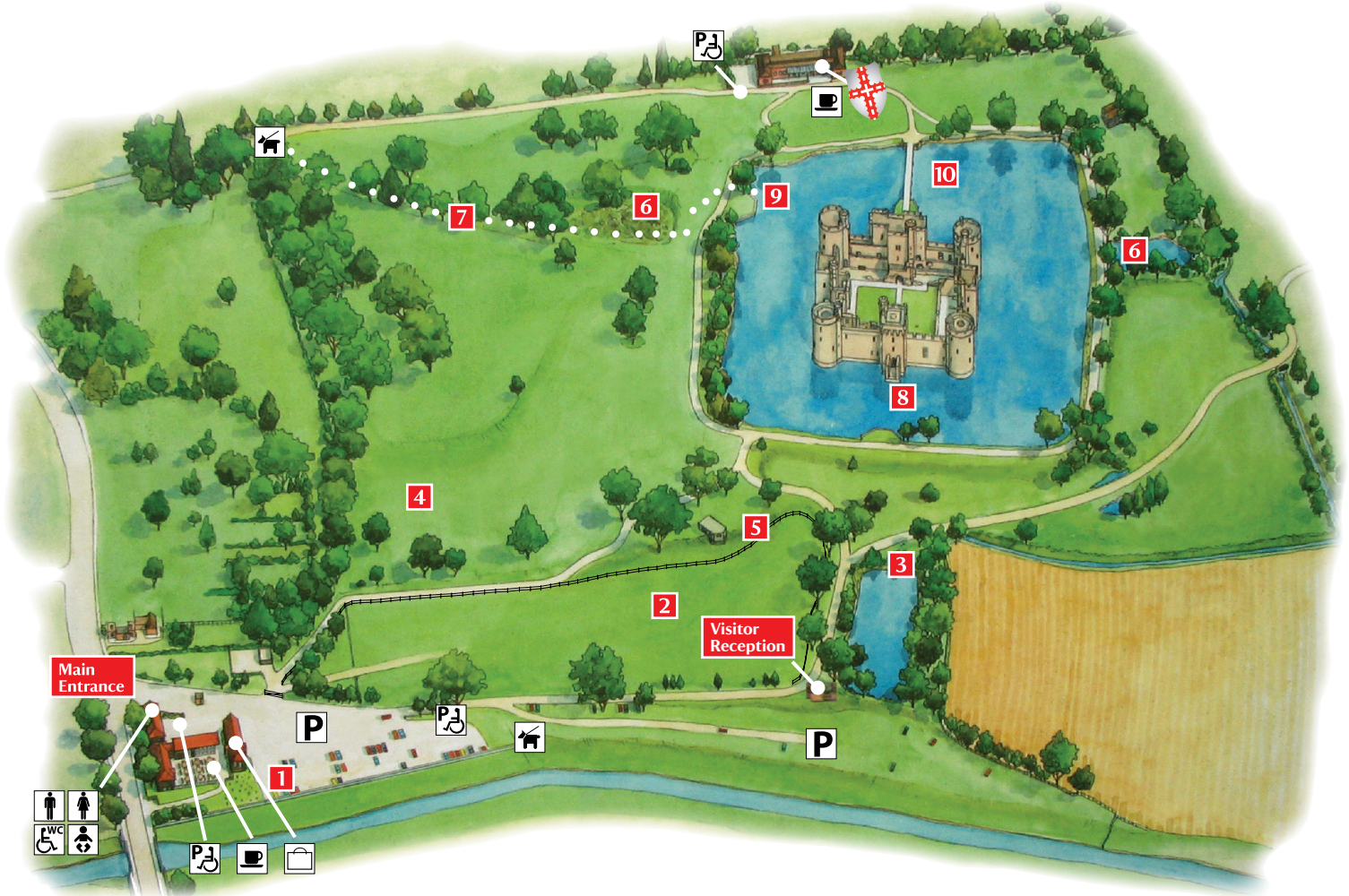
 Shop

 Toilets and Parents' Room

 Designated Parking

 Car Park

 Dog Waste Bin



Many of the features on Sir Edward's estate are not immediately obvious today. This plan will help you to identify them.

1 Wharf

This site was used from medieval times onwards for river trade. In the 1800s coal was stored in what is now part of the Tea Room building.

2 Mill Pond

The unusually large pond provided a flow of water to drive Sir Edward's watermill.

3 Probable Site of Mill

For grinding corn.

4 Tenement Plots

Houses fronted the road through the village with gardens stretching out behind. The slight ridges are the remains of the garden boundaries.

5 Pill Box

Built in 1940 to defend Bodiam bridge in the event of a German invasion.

6 Water Features

These were filled by springs. They added to the beauty of the landscape and may also have been used as a fish ponds.

7 Site of Original Access Path

Sir Edward and his guests would have approached the castle along this route.

8 Site of Postern Bridge

In medieval times a wooden bridge stretched across the moat to the Postern Tower.

9 Original Main Bridge Access to Castle

The medieval bridge crossed from here to the stone octagonal island in the moat.

10 Ruins of Barbican Gatehouse

An additional tower defending the main gate.