GLA 17: Happy Valley, Recommended RIGS
London Borough of Croydon, TQ 304 576
Ownership: Local Authority. Public open space.

Happy Valley is an example of a dry valley formed in Chalk. This 5km long valley is shallow, confined to the Upper Chalk, and tributary to the Wandle, but does not support a bourne. Much of the valley is open access land with footpaths and woodland. There are excellent views from the higher parts. The upstream 1.5km are outside greater London. The London Loop passes through the site (see www.walklondon.org.uk).