

WARNING!

Collapse and severe instability in Odin Mine - 'first hand line climb', 'stemped passage' and 'cartgate'

The National Trust requests that no-one enters the mine until further notice.

A collapse has occurred at the base of the first hand line climb, approximately 50 metres into the mine: The entire floor has disappeared into a crater approximately 2.5m X 1.5m in size, leaving a ragged drop of approximately ten metres straight down. The walls of this hole are a very unstable and continually falling in.

The material has all landed right in front of the stemped passage that links to the Cartgate. The passage itself is intact, but the heap of large deads, gravel and mud that now partially blocks it is very, very unstable, and is still moving.

Therefore, the stemped passage and, by implication the Cartgate and beyond are currently inaccessible and very dangerous.

For further information please contact Paul Mortimer, National Trust Projects Officer on 01335 352261

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The following have been notified:-

English Heritage

Natural England

Peak District National Park Authority

Peak District Mines Historical Society