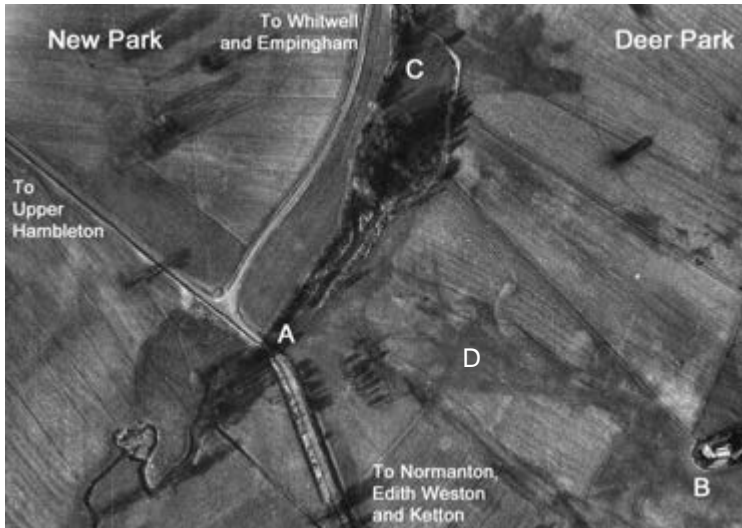


Normanton Bridge

Normanton Bridge, now under Rutland Water, crossed the River Gwash just upstream of Normanton Fishpond. It was a Victorian iron girder bridge, often referred to as 'Iron Bridge'. The only road bridge in Normanton Park, it linked the former Normanton Park, a deer park, with New Park on the north-west side of the river (*see* Chapter 11 – Normanton and Chapter 14 – Rutland Waters).



Left: An aerial view of the Gwash Valley at Normanton in 1967 showing: A – Normanton Bridge, B – Normanton Church, C – Normanton Fishpond, D – Normanton deserted village earthworks (Anglian Water)

Below: The upstream side of Normanton Bridge during flood conditions in 1968 (Anglian Water)



Below: Looking towards Normanton Bridge from the Hambleton Road, near Half Moon Spinney, in 1971, when most of the trees had been removed from this part of the valley. The stone pillars (arrowed) are the remains of a former Normanton Park gate (Richard Adams)

