A circular walk starting at the Tam O’Shanter Church Picnic site and crossing the River Fender from east to west. This walk includes some steep and uneven sections which may be difficult in places, albeit some ‘Access for all’ on this leaflet are primarily rural paths and access below have suitable paths and facilities. The routes give views of Bidston Hill and the woods of the Wirral’s countryside.

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WALK 1 Bidston Hill & River Fender

WALK 2 The Wonders of Birkenhead

This Walk and Cycle leaflet for Wirral covers the north eastern quarter and is one of a series of leaflets that are available for other parts of Wirral. There is a map and cycle route guide in each leaflet. There are also updates and advice on the Wirral Cycling Website. The leaflets are designed with the needs of people who are visually impaired in mind as well as those who are able to read. The leaflets are available in large print, Braille and audio format. The leaflets are also available on the Wirral Cycling Website.

WALK 1 Bidston Hill & River Fender

Walking Time: 3 hours
Distance: 7 miles (11.3km)
Height gain: 250 feet (76m)
Start & Finish: Tam O’Shanter Church Picnic site and crossing the River Fender from east to west

Bidston Hill begins as a nature reserve for wildlife and is a great open space for walkers and cyclists. It is a great place to visit for a short walk or a longer climb up to the top of the hill. From the top of the hill there are great views of the surrounding countryside.

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A circular walk starting at the Tany O’Shanter Farm, this route takes you across Wirral Ladies Golf Course, along the River Birkenhead and to the heights of Birkenhead Hill with superb views of Liverpool in the east and the Welsh hills to the west and the Lancashire Fells in the north west. The farm has a collection of farm animals, a small play area, information, toilet and café. Contact the Ranger Service if you have any queries (0151 6539332).

Start: Tany O’Shanter Urban Farm, Boundary Road, Upton from Upton Railway Station.
Distance: Approx 1 hour.
Parking: Tany O’Shanter Urban Farm car park.
Footpath: This path runs on the opposite side of the road to the farm.
OS: Free online version.
Rivers/streams: W n материалы for Way.
Cafe: Tany O’Shanter Urban Farm café.
Car park: Tany O’Shanter Urban Farm car park.

t: 0151 327 1007

WIRRAL CIRCULAR TRAIL VISIT

These routes were ordered by the Wirral Circular Trail because of the unique wildlife and views they provide. The Wirral Circular Trail uses the updated Ordnance Survey Digital Map and is available on the council's website.

It is advisable to purchase a Public Access Routes map and information of the Woodside Historic Tribal & Cycle Trails, please give all consideration to others. These trails provide information on public rights of way which vary in difficulty of access, with a pleasant and enjoyable time walking and cycling. The Wirral Circular Trail uses the updated Ordnance Survey Digital Map and is available on the council's website.

Firebreaks, Public Rights of Way Access for All

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Start Harvest Square: Birkenhead.

Distances: About 1 km x 1 km depending on which attractions you visit.

Parking: There is a car park in the area and cycle rack.

Buses and Trains: Regular services to and from Woodside Hotel Tram Stop shortlisted for a Mersey Travel award from all adjacent areas.

Make your way to the largest building in Birkenhead Egyptian Bridge, where there will also be the War Memorial for those who have given their lives for the present. The present building was built in 1887 of sandstone taken from Storeton Quarry, Wirral. The place name was inspired by the name of the stone found in the quarry. The bridge is a Bascule type, which is a movable bridge. The bridge is a Bascule type, which is opened to allow boats to pass through. The bridge has a draw span of 20 meters, which is the widest in the world.

To return to Hamilton Square turn right out of the Pumping Station, cross over the end of Canning Street and round to Hamilton Square.

This walk is best explored at weekends, holiday times and at other times of the year when the majority of the attractions are open, check for restricted opening times. Check their respective websites for information.

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Traffic: Cross the main Upton Road at this point to the woods and cross the Mersey Tunnel Ventilation Tower.
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Car park: cafe.
City: cafe.
Church: cafe.
Information:

From the Transport Museum to the Silver Road Pumping Station - Harveston Square

This building houses the ‘Great Gravestone’, a giant steam pump which sent water from the Mersey Tunnel to the Pumping Station, and is one of the many places to visit.

From the Egyptian Bridge walk to the Silver Road Pumping Station - Harveston Square.

From the U-Bahn Story to the Tramway - the Mersey Tunnel Ventilation Tower

This walk takes you through to the Tramway, the Mersey Tunnel Ventilation Tower and the Tramway.

From the Tramway to the Silver Road Pumping Station - Harveston Square.

From the Egyptian Bridge walk to the Silver Road Pumping Station - Harveston Square.