WALKERS ARE WELCOME KEYNSHAM

WALK - No 2

WALKING FOR HEALTH

A FLAT LEISURELY WALK AROUND THE MEMORIAL PARK - KEYNSHAM OPTIONAL HILLY SECTION

DISTANCE 1 MILE

Entirely flat along paved footpaths and one grass section

There is an optional hilly section up steps with stopping point at the top

2 Gates

<u>Start</u>

Memorial Park Gates Bath Hill

Along this walk there are several plaques to be spotted, as well as various wild life, trees and flowers to be admired From the park gates head into the park and take the central footpath down to the bandstand. It is worth while spending some time looking around at the restored old mill wheel, trout jump, and weir. There is an informative notice board from the Environment Agency in the vicinity.

1. Point of interest

Heading left past the bandstand, take the path to the right of the mosaic board, and head along parallel to the River Chew, go underneath the by - pass and continue until the foot bridge over the Chew to the right. At this junction is the second of the mosaic boards.

2. Point of Interest

Cross the bridge and head right staying on the path and head back on the other side of the river, under the by-pass and pass the Wessex Water Pumping station, until you get to the children's play area, turn right and head over the footbridge, back to the bandstand area. There is a seating area here if you wish to rest.

Head left and take the footpath that goes para-

lel with the river and under the road into Lower Park. Just past the pipe above you, turn left at the junction of paths and head over the footbridge towards the car park. Turn right past the bridge between the river and the car park until the end of the tarmac, and through the metal gate. The walk continues across the grass parallel with the river.

Optional:-

For the more energetic, head diagonally left up the grass to the steps at the end of the wall, proceed up the steps, to where the New Inn is found. You can rest here and partake of refreshment in the pub garden overlooking the park.

<u>Please note:- only refreshments purchased at the pub can be consumed here.</u>

Afterward retrace your way to the top of the steps, veer left and head down the path to the left and re-join the main walk

Join the path that is coming down the hill from the left. Head thro' the metal gate and turn immediately right where the Chew River Cottage is on your left, and cross the bridge, and almost immediately turn right onto a cul-de-sac, and proceed to the park. Take either path, which go either side of a small wooded wildlife park-they both converge later- and proceed thro' the park, past the ornamental lake, where you should see various ducks, moorhens, and maybe an occasional swan. then over the foot bridge. Continue straight on at the junction of the footpaths, veer right and head under the road and turn left up the steps, or further on to the sloping path, and head back to the start point by the entrance gates to the park

Points of Interest

- 1. The mosaic boards are part of a mosaic trail that can be found around park and depict scenes of Keynsham through the ages
- 2. Looking left on the footbridge the Isambard Kingdom Brunel railway bridge can be seen. In front of this bridge are the supports of the old footpath bridge across the river to the station The track of the old path can also be seen alongside the metal fence. This was in use prior to the 1968 floods

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