



KEYNSHAM

WALK No 4

WALK No 4 - THERE IS AN ALTERNATIVE TO THIS WALK (WALK 4A) WHICH CAN BE USED IN WINTER. A 4 MILE CIRCULAR NATURE WALK ALONG THE RIVER CHEW TO MANOR ROAD WOODLAND AND BACK

DISTANCE 4 MILES

First half flat followed by steep rise on country lane - thro estate road - walk around the woods and back downhill to Keynsham

12 Kissing Gates & Barriers

Start

Memorial Park Cafe Keynsham

This is an Summer walk, as sections of this walk can be very muddy and subject to flooding

From the Memorial Park Cafe head downhill toward the bandstand, turn right and follow the River Chew to the far end of the park, passing under the road bridge and the park lake on your right, until you come to the end of a cul-de-sac. Turn right and head up the road bearing left, and left into the Albert Mill Redevelopment, taking the main route thro; the archway, to the right of the ornamental mill wheel, and turning left thro' the flats where the public footpath indicates. Follow the River Chew from the weir for about a mile passing thro' several kissing gates, til you reach the country lane just after the stock pens. With Chewton Place facing you turn left and follow the road

Beware - narrow road with no footpaths - walk in single file on the right hand side

1. Point of Interest

Passing thro' Chewton Place, continue along the road, up the hill, keeping an eye out for traffic, until you reach the main Wellsway road. Turn left and head down the road until you reach the triangular junction with Manor Road, and cross over here

Beware : busy main road cross with care

Turn right here into Manor Road and keeping to the left hand pavement along the estate road, pass the football pitches on your right; continue til you reach where the road narrows at the end of the estate

Beware:- Single track road with no footpath - keep in single file

Proceed along the single track section for a short distance, til the Manor Road Community Woodand, which is either side of this country road, and can be explored at your leisure - there are information boards to help you. When you had your fill of this lovely area, it's time to head back to Keynsham. Exiting the woodland by the northern route, ie. the area to the left as you approach the woods from Manor

Road, where there are views across the fields to the hills in the distance , Head left across the field ignoring the footpath to your immediate left, and skirt the field - called Plaishets - with the trees and watercourse on your left

2. Point of Interest

take the footpath to your left by the notice board, over the watercourse and and head over the wooden footbridge and stile. Proceed across the small field, and thro the metal gate. Head slightly left across the car park, and right into Teviott Road, and go left by the no cycling sign on the footpath between the houses, which is Windrush Green, and then straight across Cherwell Road

Beware of traffic when crossing the road

Go thro' the metal barrier opposite and take the left hand footpath along Breaches Lane. Cross over the garage area at the end, along a short section of Lambourne

Road, turning right with it's junction with Chandag Road

Chandag Road is a very busy road, so beware of traffic, specially when crossing it

Pass the shops and the entrance to the school, along this point cross Wellsway, and head into Severn Way, taking the left hand path at the end of the Cul-de-Sac.. Pass thro' the metal barrier, turn left into Limekilns Close, and proceed to it's junction with Wellsway

Beware - Wellsway is a very busy road so cross with extreme care

Cross Wellsway at the zebra crossing, head down the steps and along the footpath called Gooseberry Lane. Head straight across the junction of paths at the bottom of the hill and cross over the stone bridge - called Dapps Hill Bridge. Turn right into the first cul-de-sac, take the left hand footpath at the end, head thro the park and back to the Memorial Park cafe

Points of Interest

1. On this narrow section of twisting road passed Chewton Place, in the grounds can be seen a man-made chimney like structure which is a nesting place for owls
2. Manor Road Woodland is a community project run by volunteers, and straddles Manor Road. There are information boards scattered around the woods indicating the wild life that can be seen therein, and it is worth spending some time here. On the notice boards are the creatures that have been seen in the woods recently. The piles of logs that can be seen are called herbunaculars and are there as a refuge for reptiles