

U WALK NO 3 – EXPLORING UTTOXETER



One of a series of local walks to enjoy our wonderful countryside.

Field paths can be a bit muddy and there are stiles. Keep your dog on a lead and take dog-poo bags and litter with you to the nearest bin.

Approximately 3.0 m, Start – Outside Uttoxeter Town Hall

Uttoxeter Walk – exploring some of Uttoxeter's hidden corners

This walk takes you through some of the old courtyards and public footpaths around the town and brings you back to the town centre via a stroll through Bramshall Road Park.

Start at the Town Hall in the High Street and walk a few yards down to find the alley on the left between shops. Head down this and bear left round the vehicle repairers' building to emerge into the Maltings car park. Go straight across the car park to come out at its main exit, then turn left and cross the road at the pedestrian lights to head down Back Lane past the interesting old buildings of Thomas Alleyne's High School.



At the end of Back Lane go left past the front of the school, then look out for a public footpath on the left a few yards down the hill. Turn up this path which takes you through the school playing fields and eventually emerges into Eaton Street. Turn right to pick up the continuation of the path behind houses and follow it until it comes out into Pennycroft Lane. Here our route goes left to join Park Street (but if you fancy extending the walk you can detour right to nearby Pennycroft Park for a loop round its spacious grounds and old railway track walk). Go left down Park Street to its junction with Park Place. Behind these old streets was once the terminus of the Uttoxeter Canal.



At Park Place turn right up Cheadle Road and cross over towards the factory. Just beyond the factory gates take Heath Road on the left, then turn first left into Sunnyside Road. This takes you behind the factory, and as you come to the end of the factory look out for a footpath on the left which takes you in a very straight line to Cockstubbles.

Turn right into Cockstubbles and walk past the bungalows and allotments to the railings of Windsor Park school, where you will find a footpath on the right leading between the school grounds and the allotments. Follow this to another footpath which joins it on the left between playing fields, and take that path across to Heath Cross, a narrow road where you turn right to emerge by the laundry.

Turn left to cross Holly Road and take the path opposite (with blue metal posts) beside the Heath Community Centre. Follow this until it emerges into Windsor Road, where you go left, then left again into Pennycroft Road and left again into Byrd's Lane. Follow Byrd's Lane to its end then turn right into Holly Road and follow it to the end.

At the end cross Stone Road towards Oldfields School to pick up Picknall Lane opposite which goes down beside the school into the park (if it is wet this can be muddy so you may prefer to go right along Stone Road to the park entrance and walk down through the park). At



the foot of the lane turn left to follow the path by the river through the park and out of the gate onto Hockley Road.

Turn left up Hockley Road and follow it straight into Carter Street (passing the Redfern's Cottage Museum of Uttoxeter Life).



Shortly after passing the Post Office on the right look out for an alleyway beside the cooks' shop on the left which takes you up into Old Saddlers Yard and through an old beamed passageway back to your High Street starting point.

'Look out for wildlife as you walk - please report sightings on the iRecord App on your phone, or by email to records@staffs-ecology.org.uk '

If you want to walk further and would like more information on joining Uttoxeter Walking Club, please see the following link <https://www.uttoxeterwalkingclub.co.uk>

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