



# GODMANCHESTER WALKS

## WALKS KEY

-  **Green walks** are accessible for push chairs and wheelchairs. Unless found in the Short Walks section, walks last approximately 60 minutes.
-  **Moderate walks** last 30 to 60 minutes over 2 to 3 miles. Mixture of pathways and grass tracks. May include stiles or kissing gates. Not suitable for wheelchairs or buggies.
-  **Moderate walks** with the option of a shorter easier route if desired. Mixture of pathways and grass tracks. May include stiles or kissing gates. Not suitable for wheelchairs or buggies.
-  **Advanced walks** last 60 to 90 minutes over 3 to 4 miles. Mixture of pathways and grass tracks. May include stiles or kissing gates. Not suitable for new walkers, wheelchairs or buggies.
-  **Advanced walks** with the option of a short/moderate route if desired. Mixture of pathways and grass tracks. May include stiles or kissing gates. Not suitable for wheelchairs or buggies.

## Godmanchester Lakes

**Meeting Point:** Huntingdonshire Community Nursery, Park Lane, Godmanchester, PE29 2AG

**Time:**

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of: Cycle Lane, Flooding**

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	Turn left out of nursery. Cross road and take footpath on right hand side between school and houses; <b>stay on right hand side as left-hand side is a cycle lane.</b>	<b>Cycle Lane</b>
2.	Then turn left following the sign for 'Charter Way', following left hand boundary across cricket ground (A14 in front) heading into the trees.	
3.	Go under A14 following the Ouse Valley Way sign and follow path left around lake with water on right hand side.	
	<i>Optional short route- bear right at gate next to 'Private Keep to Footpath sign' following footpath around the lake, then retracing steps back to the nursery.</i>	
4.	Bear left across wooden bridge following Ouse and Charter Way signs – (not too obvious) <b>Steps at both end of bridge.</b>	<b>Flooding</b>
5.	Go through gate, crossing wooden bridge heading across the field (with fence on right hand side)	
6.	Go through the gate, across the bridge and up slight hill and through the next gate.	
7.	Turn right along disused railway line. <b>Take care of rabbit holes.</b> (River on left hand side.)	
8.	Proceed along the disused railway line. Follow the Ouse Valley Way signs until the Ouse Valley Way turns to the left. Leave the disused railway line and follow the Ouse Valley Way across the field and pass through the gate.	
9.	Proceed ahead with Island Lake to your right. Follow the edge of the lake and pass through the gate.	
10.	Continue along the wide track, following the Reeve Way signs (yellow with back aeroplane). Roman Lake is to your left, beyond the hedge.	
11.	The track turns to the right. Continue along the track. Once passed a vehicular gate on the right look for a pedestrian gate on the right and pass through. At the next gate pass through and turn right onto the disused railway line.	
12.	Walk along the disused railway line and return to the nursery via the outward route.	

## Godmanchester Reserve Walk

**Meeting Point:** Far End of Cow Lane, Godmanchester, PE29 2EJ

**Time:** 1 Hour

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of:**

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	From a position facing the bridge and Cow Lane beyond, turn left and follow track. Pass through gate and continue ahead across the field. Pass through the hedge line and continue across next field.	
2.	At corner of field, turn left, cross concrete bridge, pass through gate and turn right. Head in the direction of the church steeple. (You will see it above the tree line, in the distance.)	
3.	When you reach the next gate do not pass through. Instead, turn left and follow the stream [to your right]. Cross wooden bridge and head straight across the field and turn left at the hedgerow.	
4.	Walk the edge of the field to the corner, pass through gate and continue the path. At corner of field, pass through hedge line. Walk diagonally across next field towards wooden bridge.	
5.	Pass through gate and over the bridge. The path goes to the right and takes you into the reserve. Once in the reserve, ignore path to the left and follow Ouse Valley Way to the right.	
6.	Pass through gate and continue the path with lake to your left and stream to your right. Continue the path, ignore the first gate on your right and take the next gate.	
7.	Once through the gate turn right onto the wide track. Head for and pass through the gate on the left. Island Lake is to your left. Follow path around lake shore. Walk the length of the lake and turn left at the end ignoring the gate to your right.	
8.	Continue along shoreline to another gate and pass through. Turn left onto the dismantled railway. Follow dismantled railway until you reach gate on left and pass through.	
9.	Follow path with lake to your left. Pass through next gate and turn right onto track that leads back to the cars.	

## Godmanchester Stroll Dry Route

(To avoid flooding)

**Meeting Point:** Hunts Community Nursery

**Time:** 60 mins

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of:**

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	Left turn into Park Lane, cross the road and take the footpath/cycle path to East Chadley Lane.	
2.	At end of East Chadley Lane turn left into Cambridge Road. You then cross Cambridge Road at the pedestrian crossing, turning left and then right into Tudor Road.	
3.	Walk along Tudor Road for some distance before turning left into Dove House Close. A short distance into Dove House Close (the road turns to the right) keep straight along the footpath which will take you behind the housing estate (the footpath turns to the right and runs parallel to, but separate from, Roman Way) and into London Road.	
4.	Turn right on London Road and cross at the pedestrian crossing at St Ann's School. Turn left and walk along London Road before tuning right into Crowhill. Follow Crowhill until it becomes Sweetings Road.	
5.	Follow Sweetings Road for some distance before turning left into Devana Close. At end of Devana Close cross the play area and enter Silver Street.	
6.	Turn right into Silver Street. At end of Silver Street turn left into Old Court Hall. Follow Old Court Hall until it becomes Causeway. Follow Causeway until the car park.	
7.	Turn left through the car park and pass over the footbridge. Take the path to the right and follow it into Post Street.	
8.	Turn left and cross Post Street at the pedestrian crossing. Turn right along Post Street and then left into Church Place. Follow Church Place to the churchyard. Cross the churchyard and follow the footpath/cycle path to the left.	
9.	Follow footpath/cycle path back to Park Lane and Hunts Community Nursery.	

## Meadow Meander – Dry route

(To avoid flooding)

**Meeting Point:** Hunts Community Nursery, Park Lane, Godmanchester, PE29 2AG

**Time:** 60 Minutes

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of:** Cars, Cows, Waters edge

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	Starting from the nursery head out of the entrance and turn right following the pavement towards the main road.	
2.	Using the pedestrian crossing, cross over the road and turn right heading into Huntingdon, under the A14 bridge and over the Godmanchester footbridge.	<b>Cars</b>
3.	Walk around past the Old Bridge Hotel and cross in front of the car park entrance.	<b>Cars</b>
4.	Take the first footpath on the left and up a slight incline through Castle Hills. Stay on the hard surface as it bends around to the right.	
5.	The footpath comes out onto Castle Hill. Continue in the same direction and turn left into Mill Common.	
6.	Pick up the new cycle route across Mill Common.	
7.	On reaching the Railway Station carpark, cross the carpark to the Brampton road.	<b>Roadwork traffic</b>
8.	Turn left over the railway and under the A14. Then turn immediately right down the track way towards the Views Common Water Tower.	
9.	On reaching Views Common cross the common to join the metalled cycleway/footpath and turn right towards the tunnel under the railway.	
10.	Follow the "diverted" footpath across the new Link Road workings you then emerge back at the Brampton road.	
11.	Then follow the outbound route back to the Nursery.	

## Portholme

**Meeting Point:** Huntingdonshire Community Nursery, Park Lane, Godmanchester, PE29 2AG

**Time:**

**Grade:** Orange

**Significant hazards to be aware of:**

	<b>Route Instructions</b>	<b>Hazard</b>
1.	Leave the nursery and turn right. At the main road, turn left. Cross the road at the pedestrian crossing and turn left.	
2.	Turn right at the car park and cross the bridge at Godmanchester Mill Sluice.	
3.	Follow the path to Portholme. Pass over Godmanchester Sluice and through the gate on to the meadow.	
4.	Turn left and follow the path, keeping the river to your left.	
5.	Continue along the perimeter of the meadow. You have two options, time permitting.  (a) walk to the Bromholme Lane exit and turn right and return to Godmanchester Sluice across the meadow (b) walk to the Mill Common exit and turn right and return to Godmanchester Sluice across the meadow.	
6.	Pass through the gate and over Godmanchester Sluice. Return along the path.	
7.	Turn right at the Chinese Bridge and walk over it.	
8.	At the main road, turn left. Proceed to the pedestrian crossing and cross the road. Turn right, then first left into Church Place.	
9.	Walk towards the church. Cross the churchyard and keeping to the left, return to Park Lane and the nursery.	