

Irwell Vale River Walk



Health and safety tips for walkers

- Walkers are advised to wear suitable clothing and footwear, sturdy shoes, sunscreen, in sunny weather, waterproofs and layers in cold weather
- Keep to paths, leave gates as you find them
- Carry a mobile phone with you or advise someone where you are walking
- Dog walkers keep their dogs on a lead
- Please take your litter home & keep the countryside tidy
- Obey and follow signs provided for your safety
- If walking in evening or dark periods, reflective or light clothing is advised to help make you more visible
- On roads where there is no pavement, it is advised to walk on the right hand side so on-coming traffic can see you.

Use the following website for further walks: www.visitrossendale.co.uk

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Map Details:

Explorer 287 SD 792/201
Grading: (A) Flat, easy route with maybe a mild gradient
Length: 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles
Time: 30 minutes
Start Location:
Irwell Vale Halt car park

Time & distance are an estimate, use as a guide only

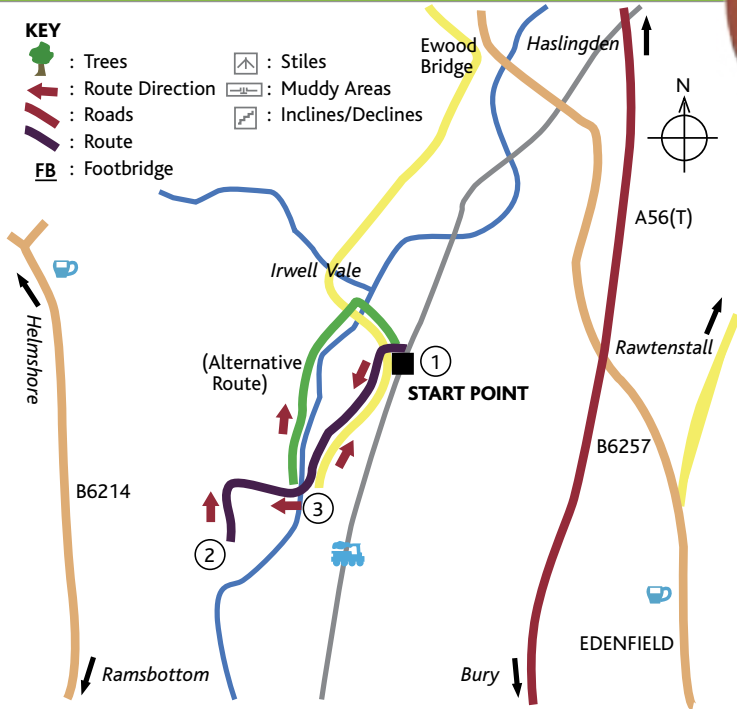
Start Location



Bus Service: Contact Rossendale Transport on 01706 212337 for more information.

Walks for Health Disclaimer

The route on this leaflet was assessed in December 2005; Groundwork Rossendale takes no responsibility for changes to the route. All routes are on public rights of way. The information contained in this leaflet was correct at the time of printing. Landowners, Groundwork Rossendale and partners accept no liability for accidents on these walks. Persons participating in the walk do so at their own risk.



Irwell Vale River Walk Route Description

- (1) Starting from Irwell Vale Halt, head left down the slope and turn left again following Meadow Park past the houses with the river to your right. Follow the road as it snakes its way alongside the river turning right over Lumb Bridge and under the viaduct which would have originally carried the old railway-line to Helmschore from Ramsbottom. Follow the road up into Lumb-in-Edenfield and pass Lumb Farm to where the path levels out and the track divides.. Take the left hand path which drops down, rather than the path that steeply ascends up the hill.
- (2) Follow the level path which slopes down past some houses to a metal gate beyond which would have led to the mill in the valley below. On reaching the gate, turn back and retrace your steps back to Lumb Bridge.
- (3) At this point you can either cross the bridge, turning left and follow the road back to the car park and the start of the walk. Or, go through the gate on your left just before the bridge and follow the path along, (it's narrow in places,) to a bridge. Cross over and eventually you will come alongside the church. Follow the road ahead and turn right before the road bridge. Keep ahead to the small roundabout and to your right of the bungalows is Irwell Vale Halt.