

BURY SELF - LED WALKS ROUTE DESCRIPTION

WALK NAME: Park, Lake & Woodland Walk

STARTING POINT: Metrolink entrance to Heaton Park,
Bury Old Road. Prestwich M25 1JE

BUS SERVICE: 90; 135; 484

DISTANCE: 4.7 km /2.9 miles • **DURATION:** 60-90 minutes • **STEPS:** Approx 6,200



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- 1 From the Metrolink entrance gate, proceed down the main path, turning right at the bottom going past the new children's play area, on the left hand side.
- 2 Taking the second path on the left, go around the bottom of the lake, keeping left and continue along the main path with the boating lake on the left hand side.
- 3 On reaching the tram lines, cross with caution and turn right, joining the main path.
- 4 Take the third path on the left and continue upward passing the war memorial after 100m on the right-hand side. (Alternatively if it is a dry day under foot, when you have just passed the barrier, you can turn right which goes down a woodland path, then over a small wooden bridge, which bring you out near the tram house. Then go right and straight up for the war memorial.)
- 5 Continue straight on until you get right up to the Ha-Ha wall where Heaton Park Hall now faces you to the left.
- 6 At the junction, turn right following the path counter clockwise around the base of the Temple Hill with the golf course on your right, continue along the woodland trail past the toilet block at the end of the trail on your left hand side.
- 7 On reaching the junction with the rear of Heaton Park Hall to your left and the Stables Café and Animal Farm to your right, cross over to the Stables outdoor seating / courtyard and take the path on the far right-hand side which follows the tree line on the left and goes up to the children's play area which will then be on your left.
- 8 Turn left at the car park and continue left along the main path/road passing the United Utilities reservoir on the right-hand side. Follow this road to the junction signed for the Garden Centre.
- 9 Turn left at the junction, passing the Bowling Pavilion on the right-hand side and the Garden Centre, set back at the top of the path by a small car park. *The Hidden Gem Café is located inside the Garden Centre.
- 10 When you reach the Garden Centre take the path to the right keeping the wooden railings to your left, through a wooded section keeping on the path passing through open parkland with the football pitches to the right. Continue along the path which now descends gradually back to the start point of the walk.



Easy: Suitable for beginners and buggies. Mainly on level terrain on mainly tarmac and paved surfaces.