

Step Out at SWFC

The Wednesday Walk on Thursdays



78 – Bolehills – 2.6 miles

Having walked most of the Rivelin, I thought we could just finish it off, and I promised Kev that we would do Bolehills this week so here we go. After the snow, I am trying to avoid muddy bits so there is quite a bit of road walking here, all downhill (unless we go round the other way).

Anticlockwise

Starting at Walkley Bank (anywhere we can park at the side of the road), we set off downhill to Malin Bridge, following the left hand pavement over the Loxley and round into Stannington Road, back over the Loxley and round the path to Mouse Hole. Just before the bridge turn right and follow the path to emerge onto Rivelin Valley Road. Cross and take the cemetery drive and keep straight(ish) on through the woods and across the field till we reach the path we walked down last week.

Turn left and walk up the path (mind the leaves, they may be slippery) out onto Bole Hill Road.

Turn left then take the first path on the right, past the community farm and up to the houses. Straight across the first road, turn left on the second and follow Bole Hill Lane out to Cocked Hat.

Cut across Bole Hill Park (the route shown on the map gives good views but may be muddy), then back down through the houses to the bus.

Risks

- 5 busy road crossings, quite a bit of road walking (mainly on pavements).
- Paths may be muddy or slippery with wet leaves.

If the climb is too much, just follow Bole Hill Road rather than going through the park.

If you want the short, steep version of this walk, see walk29 (<http://twot.uk/walks/29-RivelinandBoleHill-1.7miles.pdf>)

