

Step Out at SWFC

The Wednesday Walk on Thursdays



156 – Birley Carr from the Stadium – 3.1 miles

A mainly mud-free walk this week, just a short stretch of wet grass but otherwise a road walk. A couple of busy roads to cross, mainly with lights but still Grade 2, after the rain it will be wet but boots not needed.

Clockwise

From the bridge, go down the steps and out through the blue gate to Leppings Lane (or if the gate isn't open, cross the bridge and follow round to Leppings Lane). Follow round to Penistone Road, up past Sainsbury's and under the bridge then bear left on Fox Hill Road and turn left on Baxter Road.

At the end of Baxter Road, keep on along the track then turn right round the edge of the next field and follow the path up through the gap in the hedge, across 2 more fields and up to Midhurst Road. Turn right and out to Fox Hill Road, cross over and turn left then just before the bus stop turn right through the ginnel which comes out on Winsford Road. Head down Winsford Road, straight on to Fox Hill Road then bear left on Parson Cross Road. Take the third left (Carrville Road) then turn right on Carrville Drive.

At the end of Carrville Drive, take the ginnel out to Halifax Road, turn right past the school then cross at the lights and cross Avisford Road, past the Taj Mahal and through the jinnel to Binstead Ave, following it to its end, crossing Binstead Crescent straight into Binstead Grove. When you reach it, turn right into Binstead Glade and then left into Binstead Way, passing Binstead Croft. Watch out for the footpath on the right – if you get to Binstead Gardens you've gone too far (somebody had very little imagination naming these streets!).

We've been over this bridge many times before – just follow your nose back to the stadium.

Risks

- Lots of busy roads to cross, so use crossings where you can and watch out for cars, bikes, etc.
- No stiles or steps (except at the stadium), a couple of steep banks but generally good surfaces.
- Some walking across grass (which may be slippery if wet)

