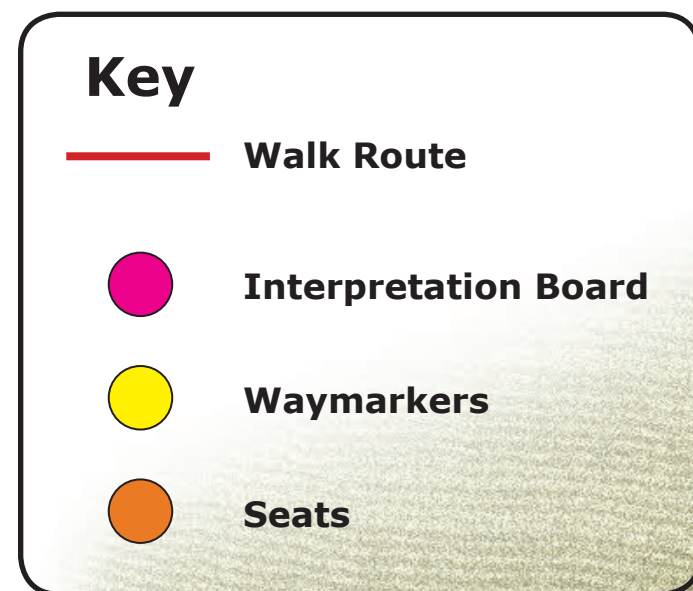


# Bilbrook Jubilee Walks



The walk is approximately 2.5 miles and is relatively easy although, as some areas may be muddy at times, the wearing of suitable outdoor clothing and footwear is advised



Heron



Frog



Kingfisher



Red Admiral Butterfly

## Introduction/Route

- The walk begins in the top corner of Twentyman's Playing Field.
- It then crosses the Moat Brook by means of a footbridge. The brook drains Oaken, Codsall and Bilbrook.
- The walk proceeds through a large field with a hedgerow on the right, following the Public Right of Way to Upper Hattons.
- It then turns right onto Pendeford Hall Lane.
- Passing the Round Wood and Rose Cottage on the right and Upper Hattons Cottage on the left, the walk continues along Pendeford Hall Lane to Upper Hattons Bridge – No.5 on the Shropshire Union Canal.
- The route swings right and follows the canal towpath, which, at this point is carried on an embankment.
- As this approaches Wobaston Road the canal crosses the Moat Brook via a semi-circular arched sandstone aqueduct, dated 1832. To the left is the confluence of this brook with the River Penk.
- As the towpath nears Wobaston Road, on the left is the site of Pendeford Mill, a watermill on the Penk, which operated from c.1650. The mill house was converted into two cottages in 1912 and was demolished in 1961. A Nature Reserve now occupies part of the site of the mill and of Pendeford Hall; the 68 acre site was developed by Wolverhampton Council in 1976. Pendeford Hall was rebuilt in 1670. Together with its estate it was sold to Wolverhampton Corporation in 1935. The Hall was requisitioned during the Second World War and partly demolished in 1953; the demolition being completed in 1968.
- Wobaston Road is joined at Pendeford Bridge (No.4) on the Shropshire Union Canal.
- Crossing over the bridge, to the right is Pendeford Wharf, once associated with the Boulton Paul Aircraft factory, which was developed between 1934 and 1936.
- The walk follows Wobaston Road and then turns right onto the playing fields just beyond the access track leading to the Allotments.
- The route then crosses the playing fields and skirts the edge and rear of some houses before crossing a footbridge and crossing the field in which Bilbrook Parish Hall stands.

## Species

### In the grassland, shrubs and trees

#### Mammals and Amphibians

Grey squirrels, Frogs, Yellow neck mice, Wood mice, Hares, Foxes and Rabbits.

#### Birds

Lapwings, Sparrows, Sparrowhawks, Buzzards, Herons, Robins, Blue tits, Goldfinches, Magpies, Wood pigeons, Stock doves, Greenfinches, Blackbirds, Jays, Collared doves, Grey wagtails, Kingfishers, Tawny owl, Little owl and Great tits.

#### Butterflies

Small tortoiseshell, Gatekeeper, Ringlets and Red admirals.

#### Insects and other

Bumblebees, Damselfly or Broadwater damsel fly, Southern Hawker Dragonfly, Grasshopper, Cardinal beetles, Ladybirds, and Honeybees, Red tail bumblebees, Marmalade bumblebees, Hoverflies and White lipped snails.

#### Plants

Bilba, Hawthorn, Elder and Hazel.

#### Trees

Ash, Alder, Oak, Pine and Sycamore.

## Help us keep this area clean and tidy

We try to keep this area as clean and tidy as we can so everyone can enjoy it.

### To help us please:

- Take your litter home
- Keep your dog under control and clear up its mess
- Don't damage the gates, stiles, fences, trees or plants
- Don't disturb the wildlife

## Public Notices & Information

### POINTS OF CONTACT

If you notice anything untoward whilst enjoying this site please contact Staffordshire County Council on 0300 111 8000 or Bilbrook Parish Council 01902 840007.

Anyone wanting to know more about Bilbrook Jubilee Walks can contact Bilbrook Parish Council.

Alternatively you can visit their website at [www.sstaffs.gov.uk/bilbrook](http://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/bilbrook) or email: [bilbrookparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bilbrookparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk)



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