



## Walking Together Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021

### Outline of the Sponsored Walk route

Please meet in Centenary Square, Bradford at 9.30am. Walkers will start the walk at 10am prompt. We hope to arrive at Kirkstall Abbey in Leeds around 5pm, stopping for a picnic lunch by the canal at 1pm (arrival timings are all approximate).

#### **Part 1. Walk begins at Centenary Square, Bradford**

1. Cross Sunbridge Rd into Market St
2. Turn right into Cheapside
3. Cross over to enter lower entrance and steps up to Bradford Cathedral (toilets available)
4. Exit Cathedral via Stott Hill onto Church Bank
5. Cross Shipley Airedale Rd to join Barkerend Rd
6. Continue, then cross Killinghall Rd (A6177) into Leeds Rd
7. Continue to Thornbury Methodist church

**We will stop for a comfort break at Thornbury Methodist Church (across from Phoenix House)**

#### **Part 2. Phoenix House to Apperley Bridge**

1. From Phoenix House, walk along main road past B&Q to Woodhall Road.
2. Walk down Woodhall Rd to Gain Lane. Cross to join restricted road opposite. Bakery will be on your left.
3. This road is used by large lorries coming to and from Blackshaw Quarry. Care is needed.
4. The sign by the quarry entrance says Calverley MM Way. Take the path to the left of the quarry entrance.
5. Follow the path, which is uneven and could be muddy in places, passing the now derelict Blue Pig Public House to the left.
6. Follow the sign through woods which says Carr Bottom and then with a large house called The Lodge on the right pass through a metal stile.
7. At the next fork in the track (No signpost) take the track to the right. The track will eventually become a lane which passes to the right of a wall with a large building in the dip of land over the wall on the left.



8. Exit through the track through a metal stile into a residential area (Ravenscliffe Rd). A little way to the left you can see a signpost. This is the next part of the route. This small mill is beside the entrance to a little lane which runs beside it - there is a sign which reads Calverley MM Way. Along this very narrow path is a sign for Leeds Country Way.
9. This path comes out into the main road, New Line, opposite Carr Bottom Road.
10. Cross New Line through narrow gap in stone wall, leading down through woods. Caution: path is uneven and often slippery!
11. This path soon joins the Calverley Cutting (broad path): turn left and join Parkin Lane
12. Parkin Lane leads onto Apperley Lane: turn left and walk ~ 150m to steps on the left, leading down to the canal. Turn left!

**We will stop for a picnic lunch at around 1pm at either Apperley Bridge or Rodley. Please bring food to share if you can!**

### **Part 3. Apperley Bridge to Canal**

Join Leeds Liverpool Canal at Apperley Bridge and walk to Bridge 222 Kirkstall Wharf Bridge (also known as Kirkstall Brewery Bridge) **Distance 6 miles** (7 locks) – **about 2 hours** Leave via small car park – turn left to main road, at T-junction, turn right into Bridge Road.

### **Part 4. Canal to Kirkstall**

1. Slight right at B6157/Bridge Rd
2. Turn left at A65/Abbey Rd. Continue to follow A65, destination will be on the left.

**When we reach Kirkstall Abbey, we will be welcomed with some refreshments**

### **Raising money for BEACON's work with destitute asylum seekers in Bradford:**

The easiest way to raise money on the back of your walk is to ask friends and family to sponsor your fantastic endeavour. Cheques can be made payable to BEACON, donate via our online sponsorship page <https://www.stewardship.org.uk/pages/BEACONwalk>, or in cash!

### **Remember!**

- All walkers should wear bright clothing and suitable/comfortable footwear.
- Please bring rainproof clothes, sunscreen (in case of good weather), a hat, lunch and plenty of fluids. Also, bring some food to share, if you can!
- Please bring a mobile phone with you if you have one.
- It is also important to remember to plan your return journey back to Bradford.