

Fishing Ponds and Bridgewater Canal Circular Walk

Footpaths, some roads, fields, Trans Pennine Trail (TPT) and canal towpath. There are some slopes which may be slippery after rain, and a field of horses, some narrow bridges and two kissing gates. About 3 miles (4.5km).

Park at the Pay and Display car park on Pepper Street in the village centre (WA13 0JB).

From the car park turn into the village and then go over Lymm Bridge, taking the left fork onto Dane Bank Road. Go down this road and cross the road at the bottom into Lymmhay Lane, and continue as it becomes an unmade road. Follow this to the Trans Pennine Trail (TPT) where you turn left.

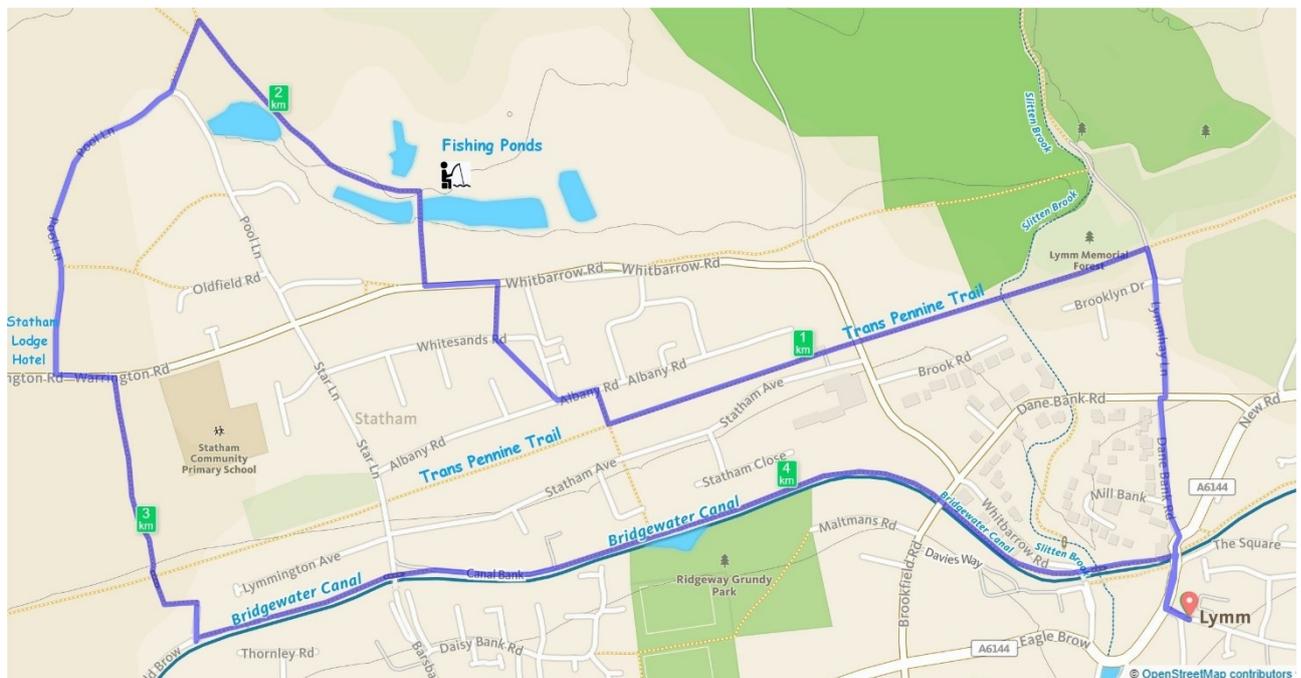
Walk along the TPT, crossing Whitbarrow Road, past the Ranger Cabin on the right until you find a footpath crossing the trail. Take the path on the right to Albany Road. Turn left, past the shops and then right into Whitesands Road. The road turns to the left and in a little while you will find a short footpath on the right leading to Whitbarrow Road.

In Whitbarrow Road turn left and look for a path which leaves the road between numbers 80A and 82 on the opposite side. This path goes past the fishing ponds, which were part of old route of the River Mersey before the Ship Canal cut off the loop. Carry on along the edge of a field to a track. Turn left towards Pool Lane. Turn right in Pool Lane, which will lead you past Broadsmith's Dairy and the side of the Statham Lodge Hotel.

On reaching the main road turn left and just before Statham School, turn right through a kissing gate onto a footpath. Follow the path up the edge of the field, cross a bridge over the Trans Pennine Trail. Turn left onto the Bridgewater Canal towpath, which will bring you back to Lymm Bridge. Cross the bridge, down into the village centre and you are back where you started.

We hope you enjoy the walk,

Lymm Footpath Volunteers



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