# WALKS AROUND REDROW HARTFORD

Redrow Hartford hosts two developments - Weaver Park and Water's Reach - just off School Lane in the leafy village in West Cheshire.

The highly desirable location, which boasts an abundance of charm, is within walking distance of restaurants, good schools and local independent shops. Hartford Station offers trains to Liverpool, Birmingham and London, while nearby Greenbank Station serves Manchester and Chester.

The three and four-bedroom homes at Weaver Park are ideal for first time buyers and second steppers, while Water's Reach, offers larger homes that are more suited to established homeowners with bigger budgets.

Both developments feature properties from Redrow's Arts & Crafts inspired Heritage Collection. This means that traditional exteriors are combined with bright, modern, largely open plan interiors designed for today's lifestyles.





### **CONTACT DETAILS**

Weaver Park www.redrow.co.uk/weaverpark

Water's Reach www.redrow.co.uk/watersreach





# WALK ONE: MARSHALL'S ARM CIRCULAR

Marshall's Arm was designated a nature reserve in 1998. The name of the site dates back to the Marshall family, who resided at Hartford Greenbank Manor from the 1700s to the early 1900s.



## DIRECTIONS

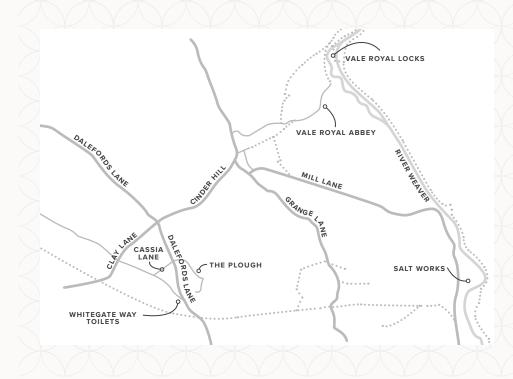
- 1. Come out of either development and turn right onto School Lane
- 2. Continue along School Lane until you reach Stones Manor Lane on your left and follow it to the end
- **3.** To the right of the school gates there is a path that leads into woodland and the nature reserve
- **4.** Follow the path through the woodland and you will emerge at the River Weaver and Marshall's Arm
- 5. Please note: if you would like to increase the length of the walk there are numerous paths through the nature reserve that you can explore or you can turn left and follow the footpath up to Hunt's Lock

- 6. Go right and follow the riverside path to the Blue Bridge
- **7.** Just before the bridge take the path up to join the footpath along the A556
- 8. At the traffic lights, turn right into School Lane to walk back to the developments



# WALK TWO: WEAVER VALLEY AND VALE ROYAL CIRCULAR

Walk along the track bed of the old railway that transported salt from the Winsford Salt Mine.



#### START POINT

Whitegate Railway Station Car Park

## DISTANCE

7.46 miles

**GRADE** Intermediate

#### **TIME** 3-4 hours

### TERRAIN

Grass field and woodland paths with some quiet roads

Information for walking route sourced from the Hartford Civic Society

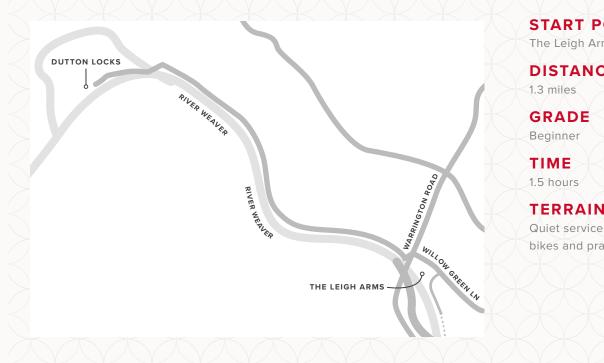
## DIRECTIONS

- Starting from the car park walk along the Whitegate Way towards Winsford (the toilet block should be on your right as you pass it)
- **2.** Continue straight on at any path intersections, including Catsclough Crossing and Grange Lane
- **3.** At the main Winsford road turn left, crossing the road and walking past the Salt Mine
- **4.** After the end of the mine's lorry park, look for the steps on the right that lead down to the River Weaver
- Cross the river and turn left on the far side to follow the riverside path alongside— a selection of picnic benches make this an ideal spot to take a break
- 6. Continue along the riverside path until you reach Vale Royal Locks and cross back to the other side
- Follow the path up to the junction with a tarmac lane and turn left. Walk on until you come to the grounds of Vale Royal Abbey
- **8.** Enter the grounds via the gate and then walk along the road, passing the Abbey on your left
- Once past the Abbey you will come to a row of new houses. Opposite number 21, leave the road and follow the track to your left that used to be the old driveway to the Abbey
- **10.** You will come to a signposted footpath on your left go over the stile and cross the large field
- **11.** At the far side of the field, near a wood, turn right and follow the path up to the road

- **12.** Turn right again and follow the road down the hill. Just before it bends sharply right, at the junction of Grange Lane and Mill Lane, look for a stile next to the house straight ahead
- Take the path between beech hedges and over a small stream, crossing another stile and walking uphill over the field
- 14. Go through a gap in the hedge and turn right. After about 15 yards turn left to follow a field boundary to a stile in the corner
- **15.** Cross two stiles and pass along the side of a white house
- **16.** Turn right onto the lane and follow it until you come to another signposted path on your left leading across fields
- **17.** Follow this path across several fields to emerge onto another lane from between a row of houses
- **18.** Turn right and follow the lane past The Plough pub and up to a crossroads on the main road
- **19.** Go straight over the main road into Cassia Lane and follow it to the T junction
- **20.** Turn right and follow the road to another T junction
- **21.** Turn left. This road will take you over the railway bridge and the entrance to the car park will be on your left to complete the walk

# WALK THREE: **RIVER WEAVER WALK FROM THE LEIGH ARMS**

A gentle walk along the River Weaver with the opportunity for a refreshing drink at the end.



**START POINT** 

The Leigh Arms

### DISTANCE

### TERRAIN

Quiet service road, perfect for bikes and prams

## DIRECTIONS

- 1. Park up either in Willow Green Lane or the car park of the Leigh Arms (a lovely pub, less than five miles from Water's Reach or Weaver Park)
- 2. From the car park, there is a path that heads down to the river. Turn right and walk underneath the bridge so you're walking downstream
- 3. Please be aware that even though the road is very quiet, vehicles do use the service road to access houses at the locks
- 4. Once you arrive at Dutton Locks, you can either walk back the way you came, or you can follow a path up the side of a field to the Trent & Mersey canal towpath to extend your walk

