

Gheluvelt Park to Offerton Lane Nature Reserve.

Car parking is available opposite the Pump House and at Perdiswell Park.

On entering Gheluvelt Park go straight ahead along a tarmac path and turn right just before a footbridge and walk along Barbourne Brook on your left until you reach a wooden footbridge. Go straight ahead with the tennis courts on your left and turn right at the end of the tennis courts. At the next footpath junction turn left up a slope towards The Sons of Rest Building. At the top of the slope there are toilets to your left, turn right here. Continue straight on passing the Almshouses on your left.

On reaching the gates of the park turn left and immediately right to cross two roads via the Pelican crossings, walking straight on up Turrall street. At the end of the road turn left into New Bank street until you reach a crossroads, turn right here into Gregory's Mill Street. On reaching a junction turn right along Canal Side after 10 metres bear right onto a path and after a further 20 metres turn right to reach the Worcester to Birmingham canal, turn left here reaching bridge, cross the bridge and turn left keeping the canal to your left. Cross the canal at bridge and follow the footpath shortly reaching a road (Wordsworth Avenue). Go straight on and turn left at the T-junction at Bilford Road and continue for 10 metres to cross the road at a pedestrian refuge island. Then turn right to come back on yourself for 10 metres and then turn left to enter Perdiswell Park. Bear left to follow the grass footpath up a slope until you reach a gravel path with the leisure centre to your right, turn left here to follow the path round to the right, passing Old Elizabethan's Cricket Club on your left. Continue on the path as it bears left, continuing straight on at a crossroads of paths to join a wide track. The track narrows to a path on reaching a fork in the path. Take the right path. The path bears round to the right. Continue straight on keeping the golf course to your left until you reach a canal bridge. Cross the bridge then turn immediately right and right again to walk under the bridge along a tow path with the Worcester and Birmingham canal on your left.

Continue for 2 ½ miles to turn right then left along a tarmac path track. Just before you turn right you will see a black gas pipe crossing the canal if you reach this you have missed the turning! Shortly after joining the path you will continue past a stile on the right for 20 metres to turn right along a track through Offerton Lane Local Nature Reserve. Just before you arrive at Wainwright Road you will see a large pond and reedbed on your left.



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