

WALK 2.

A canal walk from Rowton Bridge to Ring Road, then road walk to Pearl Lane and Littleton. Finally, a footpath return to Pepper Street in Christleton. 3.5km



Start at Rowton Bridge (120) and take the canal towpath towards Chester passing the Cheshire Cat on your left and the former Dean's Marina boatyard on your right.

Walk along the towpath and go under Quarry Bridge (121). Note the former Butler's Mill and the old Trooper Inn on your left and go under Trooper Bridge (122) and then in a short distance under the extension of the M53/ A55 road with the Law College gardens on your right, and soon reach Christleton Lock. Keep following the tow path until you reach the Ring Road lock. Don't go under this bridge but take the slope up to the left and then turn right for a short distance and walk on the pavement for 100m or so towards Pearl Lane.

Turn right onto Pearl Lane and walk safely on the right side of the lane until you reach the bridge over the A55 and continue for another 150m until you reach the kissing gate on your right and take this footpath back towards Christleton. Follow the footpath keeping strictly to the path until you reach a kissing gate and a short passageway alongside the churchyard at St James, and a gateway onto Pepper Street. Turn left towards the village centre where you could end your walk on the Village Green, or continue back through the village to Rowton Bridge.

If the weather has made the footpath very muddy, an alternative is to walk into Littleton and at the crossroads follow the footpath on the right side along Littleton Lane back towards Littleheath Pit and Christleton Village, taking great care crossing the road before the dangerous bend opposite the Pit. (This adds 200m to your walk)



