

Cheshire West & Chester Council

## Ellesmere Port Greenway



The Ellesmere Port Greenway consists of more than 50km of multi-user pathways and tracks providing a network of quiet lanes and green routes for people to enjoy.

The Greenway has two main loops - the inner loop encircling the town which is 17km in length, and the outer loop, which is 22.5km. There are also smaller, interconnecting links which, together, provide a network of useful multi-user pathways and cycle ways in and around Ellesmere Port. Please remember to take care when using multi-user paths and be aware of others on the route.

Less than 50 per cent of the Greenway routes are on roads, and those that are generally follow minor roads and quiet lanes. Most of the off-road routes follow canal towpaths, cycle lanes, country park pathways and bridleways.

The routes pass through areas of beautiful countryside and scenery, and alongside some impressive industrial architecture. The Greenway also makes it easier to get around on foot or by bicycle and improves journeys to local attractions, shopping areas, schools, work sites and many other places of interest such as the stunning country parks and heritage sites.

With great connections to local communities it is possible for every resident to reach the Greenway by foot or cycle without having to use busy roads. It also provides access for disabled users and those with limited mobility.



There are links to public transport, especially rail, for extending your journey by train. There are no start or end points on the Greenway, rather there are a number of hub locations that may be considered to be prominent access points. These gateway hubs will include sites like the Waterfront and National Waterways Museum, Cheshire Oaks, the Town Centre and the railway stations. The hubs will provide more information than other access points; including maps, route guides and tourist information.

Ellesmere Port is quite a flat area, though the Greenway does have a couple of short climbs that should be easy enough for most users to tackle. Walkers and cyclists do not need to be very fit or experienced to enjoy using most of the routes, and there are many sections that are suitable for both novice cyclists and young families that are entirely off road.

The surface material on the majority of the routes is tarmac but on occasions, as routes travel away from the public highway, they will have different surfaces. Please keep to a sensible speed on your chosen route.

The Ellesmere Port Greenway offers local people and visitors great opportunities to enjoy the area's beautiful open space. From summer evening cycles to winter walks, there are short and long routes to ensure something suitable for everyone.

If you are using the Greenway to travel between destinations you're helping the environment, and if you're just out to enjoy the open air and scenery you are improving your own health and wellbeing too.



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