

PARTICK TO BLANTYRE BY CLYDE WALKWAY

Nearly 10 (out of the total 14 miles from the River Kelvin) is along the NORTH bank of the River Clyde almost to the confluence with the River Calder. To get over the Calder you have to switch to the SOUTHSIDE before Carmyle. Stay on walkway at all times. The half way point is Dalbeth Cemetery where there is a bench! (*Buses back to Partick all along this stretch!*) START by crossing bridge over Kelvin. Then go RIGHT to end of Ferry Rd and turn LEFT on walkway by side of expressway until the pedestrian bridge which leads over expressway past helicopter pad to riverside walkway which takes you through Glasgow Green. In 2009 there is a slight detour where Clyde is being bridged for M74 extension.

At Cyclerooute 75 Carmyle/Cambuslang sign **CROSS RIVER** by footbridge and turn LEFT on to walkway on south side. After the WEIR there is a disused railway bridge where you LEAVE THE CYCLE WAY, turning LEFT towards the disused bridge and drop RIGHT down a short sharp slope (steps cut on left) to cross slightly overflowing burn. There is a stone bridge about 20m to the left.

Keep to the track by the riverside for about 500 metres after which: EITHER keep to the riverside passing a pipe bridge to the water purification works and continue up by the trees turning away from the river till you come to a clearing with a recently ashed path on left. OR turn right, away from river. 200 metres further on turn LEFT on to a tarmac track to abandoned Newton Farm. Go LEFT round the disused farm keeping the farm buildings on your RIGHT till you see a narrow track on your left going UP toward a circle of trees with new houses to the right. At the top of the hill keep left of new fence till the track reappears (spire of Uddingston church gives a line). After it starts to descend and just where it turns sharp left TURN RIGHT on to a recently ashed path.

Look LEFT for old (slippy!) steps DOWN to footbridge over RIVER CALDER. Continue parallel to railway line, turn RIGHT under railway bridge and LEFT up to farm road, passing a home made bench on left. At farm road gate LEAN LEFT to see traffic light before crossing busy road. VISIBILITY RIGHT IS LIMITED. NB: this is the only hazard on the journey !!!

Cross road straight into copse and turn RIGHT. (DO NOT WALK ON ROAD!!) At end of copse turn LEFT down walkway and at river go RIGHT to footbridge which takes you across the river. Turn RIGHT. 1 mile to Bothwell Castle and 1 more mile to Blantyre.

Cross by footbridge RIGHT to David Livingstone Centre with café!
Trains from Blantyre Station at top of road to Partick (32 mins) at 23 and 53 mins past each hour.