

# Walks Around Church Hill

Walk



A walk around Church Hill South West with link to Arrow Valley Park.

These walks have been created in association with the Church Hill Big Local Partnership initiative on local walking trails.

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Approx. 1.25mile (2km) Gentle walk along urban footpaths & pavements. Level terrain with slight inclines.



Lowest 273.62ft Highest 318.24ft  
Total ascent 55.12ft

Car Park—Church Hill Shopping Centre Public Transport—47,48,57,58,150 buses to Church Hill Centre



## Icknield St (Roman Road)

Icknield Street or Ryknild Street is a Roman Road, with a route roughly south-west to north-east. It runs from the Fosse Way at Bourton-on-the-Water to Templeborough in South Yorkshire. It passes through Alcester, Studley, Redditch, Metchley Fort (next to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham), Sutton Coldfield, Lichfield, and Derby.

Part of this road can be seen as an old lane running from south Church Hill to North Church Hill.

The road was probably built in the 1st century AD.



## Marfield Barn

Marfield Barn is all that remains of Marfield Farm. The barn was converted in the 1970's into a community centre, where Church Hill 1st scout group are based.



1905 OS map overlaid on a modern map

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- 1 Leave the shopping centre car park, turn right & walk to Walking Route signpost. Walk along path past St Andrews Methodist Church on your right until you reach crossing at Icknield St (Roman Road). Cross over bus lane & continue down Icknield St.



- 2 When almost at the bottom of Icknield St at signpost for walk 3 & 5 turn right and follow the footpath through Fulbrook Close.
- 3 At the end of the path next to house no. 66 bear left along the path to the subway by house no. 70.
- 4 Go through the subway under Severn Acres Lane into Donnington Close.
- 5 At junction of path take the left hand path next to house no. 26. Follow this path past a bench to the right of you.
- 6 At the end of the path bear right & follow the path past house no. 23. At this point you can follow the signposted path under the subway into Arrow Valley Park or continue with walk 5.



- 7 Cross over road and take the path through the houses. House no. 40 will be on the left hand side.
- 8 At the end of the path turn right & follow path round to house no. 55. Cross over the road.
- 9 Take the path though the houses, house no. 187 will be on the left hand side of path. Follow the path into Edgeworth Close. Cross over road and either climb up the steps or use the sloped path to the right.
- 10 Follow the path to the end, Marfield Barn will be on the right.
- 11 At the end of the path turn right into Marfield Barn Lane. Follow the old road to the junction at the top.
- 12 At the Junction with Icknield St turn left along Icknield St follow path to the crossing over the bus lane.
- 13 Cross over the crossing and turn right past St Andrews Methodist Church on your right hand side back to the start point.

