

# Redditch Roadway Arts: Winyates and Matchborough Walking Trail



## What is Redditch Roadway Arts?

Roadway Arts is an outdoor gallery of professional artwork installed in underpasses and bus shelters across Redditch. The designs celebrate local history, community, sport, nature and the environment. The first underpass mural was completed in Redditch Town Centre in 2007. The collection now contains 32 different artworks in 53 locations.

Many of the artworks have been created with the involvement of local residents, community groups and schools. The artworks brighten up an underpass or bus stop, making them more pleasant to use. For more information, go to [www.redditchbc.gov.uk/roadwayarts](http://www.redditchbc.gov.uk/roadwayarts). This trail is a chance to look at some of the artwork more closely, and learn about what inspired the artists. You will also see other interesting things along the way!



**Time to complete:** Approx 1.5 hours.



**Walking distance:** Approx 1.5 miles.



**The trail is on flat tarmac paths and is suitable for wheelchairs and pushchairs.**

**Starting Point:** Bus stop on Winyates Way, between Ibstock Close and Lassington Close.

**How to find the starting point:** From Redditch Town Centre, catch the 58 bus. After you leave Church Hill and cross over the Coventry Highway, get off at the second bus stop.

Alternatively, catch the 57 bus. The trail starts at the first bus stop after Winyates Centre.

## Keep Safe

- **Don't** follow the trail by yourself- take a responsible adult with you.
- **Take extra care** next to rivers, streams and ponds- and **never** go into the water.
- **Always** use a pavement when walking along the road, even if it seems quiet.
- If you need to cross the road, use a crossing point like an underpass, pelican crossing or zebra crossing. If there isn't one nearby, find a safe place to cross. Look all around for traffic, and let all traffic pass before you cross. When it is safe, go straight across the road- but **never run!**

## What you need to take with you to complete the trail:

### Essential:

- This guide
- A clipboard, or something else to lean on when you are writing your answers
- A pen or pencil for completing the questions

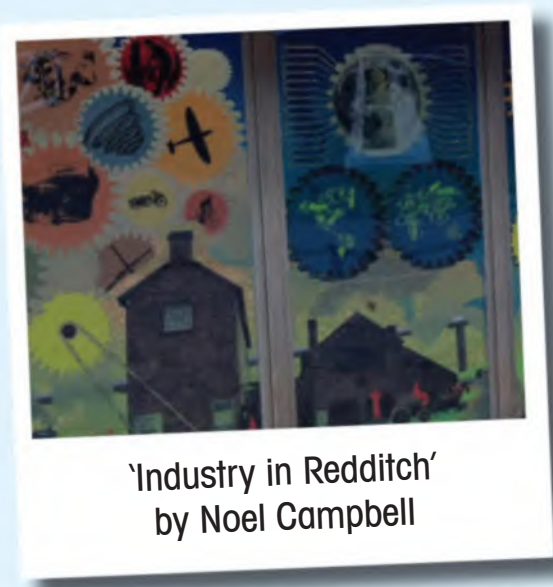
### Other things you might like to take:

- A drink and a snack
- Coloured pencils or pens
- A watch to time how long it takes you to complete the trail
- A copy of the Redditch Walking and Cycling map (available at the Town Hall and other Redditch Borough Council One Stop Shops)

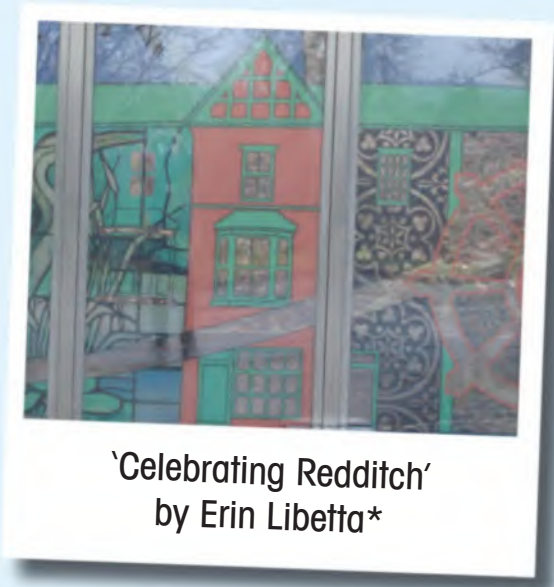
Children's University rewards children and young people aged 5-14 for taking part in fun and inspiring learning activities outside of school hours. Several schools in Redditch are part of Worcestershire Children's University, which launched in 2014.

If you have a Children's University passport, you can receive a stamp worth 1.5 hours of learning by completing this trail. Take your finished quiz sheet to the Redditch Tourist Information Centre at the Palace Theatre to receive your stamp.

**The first pair of bus shelters on the trail look like this:**



'Industry in Redditch'  
by Noel Campbell



'Celebrating Redditch'  
by Erin Libetta\*

\*Please note, this shelter by Ibstock Close has the wrong label on it!

**Bus Stop 1: 'Industry in Redditch'**

The cog design shows lots of different things that have been made in Redditch.

Q1 What make of motorcycle can you see in the design? \_\_\_\_\_

Q2 How many types of vehicle can you spot?  
List them here: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Q3 The left hand panel shows you what used to provide the power to turn the cogs in many factories in Redditch. What is it?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Q4 What type of needles does 'Embassy' make?  
\_\_\_\_\_



Carefully cross the road to see:

### Bus Stop 2: 'Celebrating Redditch'

Q5 How many aeroplanes can you see?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Q6 What is the name of the bird?  
\_\_\_\_\_

If you're not sure, use this riddle to identify the five letters of the bird's name:

My first (letter) is in **hot** but not in **cold**  
My second is in **medal** but not in **gold**  
My third is in **car** and also in **train**  
My fourth is in **drop** but not in **rain**  
My last is in **wind** and also in **snake**  
I'm a bird that likes to live near a lake

Q7 Where might you see a bird like this in Redditch?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Q8 What year was the house in the design built?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Q9 The end panel depicts two things made out of metal for which Redditch is very famous. What are they?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Now walk to the footpath behind the bus shelter. Turn right and follow footpath number 11 to Winyates Centre. When you arrive at the shops, turn right and walk all the way through the shopping centre to find the next pair of bus stops.



'Winyates Matters'  
by Cantoo

### Bus Stop 3: 'Winyates Matters'

This design shows what some young people from Winyates think is special about where they live.

Q10 Name three things in the design that these young people like about Winyates:

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_



'Choose How You Move'



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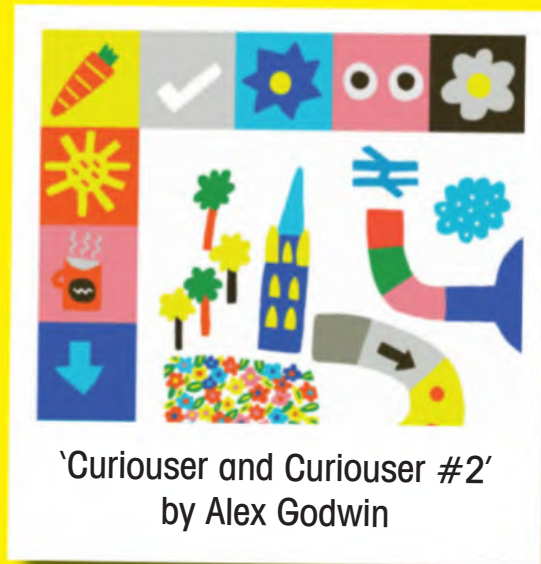
### Bus Stop 4: 'Choose How You Move'

Q11 What types of transport can you see in the design?  
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Now turn left, and follow footpath number 15 towards Matchborough Centre. Stay on the footpath that runs alongside Winyates Way until you reach the next artwork, just after the entrance to Ipsley CE RSA Academy.

### Bus Stop 5: 'Curiouser and Curiouser #2'

The design contains a game board for you to invent a game with your friends, and an abstract map of Redditch. Abstract art does not attempt to represent reality like a photograph does, but instead uses shapes and colours to stimulate ideas, thoughts and emotions.



'Curiouser and Curiouser #2' by Alex Godwin

Q12 Follow the paths in the design. Which landmarks of Redditch can you find?

A \_ \_ \_ V \_ \_ \_ P \_ \_ \_  
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 A \_ \_ \_ S \_ \_ \_ \_ \_  
 F \_ \_ \_ M \_ \_ \_ M \_ \_ \_  
 O \_ \_ L \_ \_ \_ of M \_ \_ \_ C \_ \_ \_

(Clues on page 7)



Retrace your steps past the entrance to Ipsley CE RSA Academy. Use the zebra crossing to carefully cross the road to find:

### Bus Stop 6: 'Curiouser and Curiouser #1'

Members of the Wildlife Club and Eco-Committee at Ipsley CE RSA Academy helped create this design. They wanted people to have fun and to learn about nature when waiting for the bus.

Q13 Can you answer three of the questions in the design?

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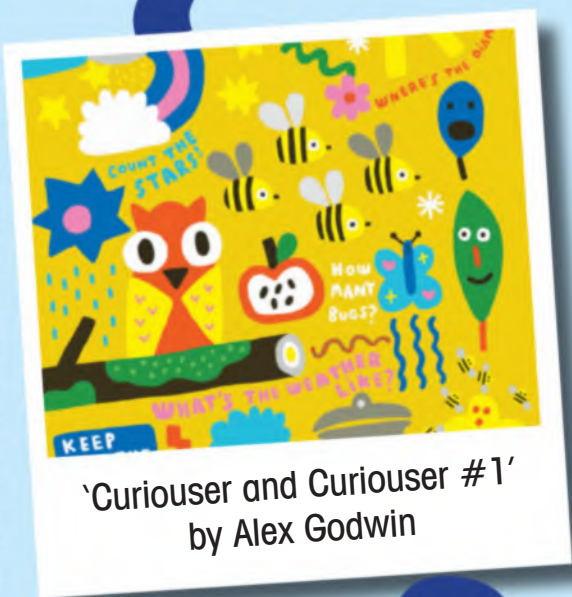
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'Curiouser and Curiouser #1' by Alex Godwin

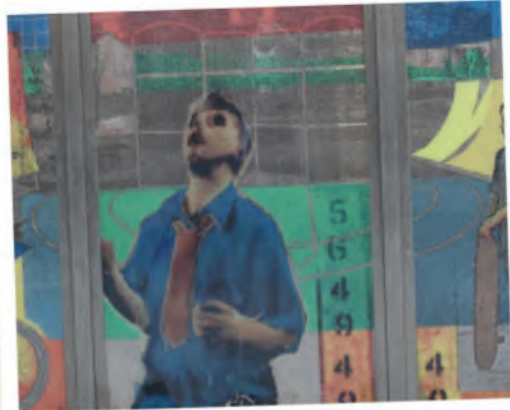
Retrace your steps towards the zebra crossing, but take the path to the left instead of crossing the road. At the end of this path, turn right and follow footpath number 11. Continue along footpath 11, bearing right at every junction until you go through the underpass and into the wood.

Q14 As you walk through the wood, how many different types of tree can you spot? (Hint: different types of tree have different shaped leaves. You can draw the different leaf shapes you spot in the space below.)

I saw \_\_\_\_\_ different types of tree.



At the next junction, turn right towards Matchborough Centre. When you reach the road, use the underpass to cross to the other side. Turn left and follow the footpath past Arrow Vale RSA Academy until you reach Christ Church.



'Matchborough Matters'  
by Paul Clifford

### Bus Stop 7: 'Matchborough Matters'

The design shows what some young people from Matchborough think is special about where they live.

Q15 Name three things in the design that these young people like about Matchborough:

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Q16 Which area do you live in?  
Draw a picture of what you think is special about where you live:



Carefully cross the road to see:

### Bus Stop 8: 'Choose How You Move'



'Choose How You Move'

Q17 What type of bird is flying over the bus?  
\_\_\_\_\_

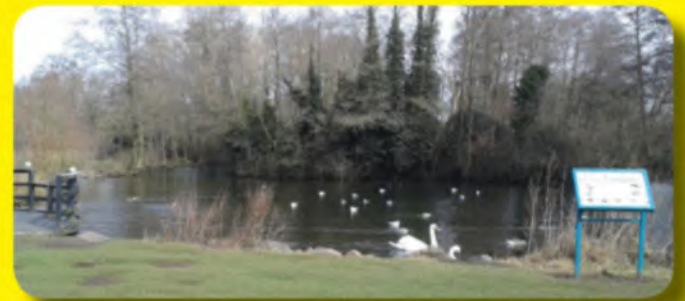
If you're unsure, unscramble these letters: **If Gherkins**

Follow the path into Matchborough Centre. If the Boxing Club is closed, you can see a mural on the shutters.

Q18 What can you see in this design?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

There is another mural to find in Matchborough Centre.

Q19 What colour is the iPod in the design?  
\_\_\_\_\_



Follow the path behind the shops that leads to Matchborough Pool. There is an information board by the pond.

Q20 What types of duck are pictured on the board?  
\_\_\_\_\_



Continue along the path. At the end, turn right, following walking route number 11. After a short walk, the path crosses a road.

There is a word on the ground painted in big white letters. What does this word tell you to do?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Continue straight ahead. Turn right into Haseley Close, and then turn left- carefully crossing the road before walking down the steps. Follow the path along the front of the houses until you find a lamp post with the numbers 11124. Turn right by this lamp post, and follow the path through a small wood.



Q21 As you walk through the wood, listen carefully for birds. How many can you spot?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



Sparrow Wood Pigeon Blackbird Robin

Q22 Draw a picture of one of the birds that you spotted in the box:  
\_\_\_\_\_



Follow the path through the wood, bearing right at every junction until you reach the road. Carefully cross the road to see:

### Bus Stop 9: 'Built Redditch'



'Built Redditch'  
by Noel Campbell

This design celebrates the old and new buildings in the town.

Q23 Which towns in other countries are 'twinned' with Redditch? \_\_\_\_\_

Q24 Look carefully at the design. What can you see in the background that could help you find your way around Redditch?

Q25 What time is the last collection from the postbox on a Saturday?



And finally:

Q26 Which was your favourite artwork on the trail? What did you like about this artwork?

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**Congratulations! You have completed the Walking Trail.**

You can now catch the bus back to the starting point, or follow the footpath marked 'Matchborough Centre'.

We would like to say a big thank you to the children who helped to create and test this trail: Ryan Harper, Shaun Harper, Cristian Moore, Kieran Rose and Alice Whitworth, and to all the young people who helped create the artworks.

