

# Wirral Walk: Information

## Title

Palm Sunday Pathway: Walk in Faith, Grow in Community

## Tagline

Step Forward in Faith – Join Us & Help Transform Our Church!

## Summary

Join us for a special 12-mile charity walk along the scenic Wirral Way on Palm Sunday weekend to support our parish and raise funds for a number of maintenance and building projects. These essential improvements will help us create a safe, welcoming, and functional environment for our parish community to enjoy.

## How to Get Involved

- Join the Walk – Gather your family and friends and walk with us in faith and fellowship.
- Sponsor a Walker – Support our participants and help us reach our fundraising goal.
- Donate Online – Contributions can be made directly on the parish website.

## Entry Fees

- £5 per person
- £15 for a group of up to 5

## Registration Details

- Sign-up Deadline: 30th March
- Register & Donate at: [rcchep.co.uk](http://rcchep.co.uk)
- Contact: For more information, email [events@rcchep.co.uk](mailto:events@rcchep.co.uk)

Let's walk together to create a beautiful new church garden for all to enjoy. Sign up today and be part of this meaningful journey!

## Palm Sunday Pathway: Walk Route Summary

The 12-mile Palm Sunday Pathway charity walk follows the beautiful Wirral Way, offering stunning views of the Wirral Peninsula's coastline, countryside, and nature reserves. Starting at Hooton and finishing in West Kirby, this walk is an ideal way to enjoy nature while supporting the redevelopment of our church.



### **Route Details:**

#### **Start: Hooton Station**

The walk begins at Hooton Station, an accessible starting point with nearby parking. From here, participants will follow the Wirral Way towards West Kirby, crossing through rural landscapes, woodland paths, and open fields. The journey starts with a peaceful and reflective tone as the first stretch of the route sets the stage for an unforgettable walk.

#### **First Leg of the Walk (approx. 4 miles):**

The initial 4-mile stretch is characterized by serene views of farmland, hedgerows, and woodlands. As you walk, you'll pass through the village of Hooton, before heading further along the Wirral Way. This section offers views of the Borough of Wirral, and in the spring and summer months, walkers can enjoy sightings of wildlife along the trail, including birds and butterflies. Landmarks along this section include:

- Hooton Railway Station – The starting point, a historical railway station.
- Hooton Hall Estate – A large estate and house, with glimpses of its grounds as you walk past.

#### **Passing through Hadlow Road, Willaston:**

As the walk progresses, participants will pass through Hadlow Road in Willaston, a picturesque area known for its village charm and beautiful surroundings. This area is characterized by open fields and quiet country roads.

#### **Midway Break (approx. 4 miles):**

After about 4 miles, walkers will reach Neston or a nearby rest point, a good spot to take a break. There are no large facilities here, so it's a great opportunity to hydrate, enjoy snacks, and stretch. Take in the view of the surrounding nature reserves and wildlife areas, as the route starts to move closer to the coastal part of the Wirral.

#### **Second Leg of the Walk (approx. 4 miles):**

As the trail continues, the scenery changes, offering more expansive views. Walkers will now begin to see glimpses of the Dee Estuary and enjoy the coastal air as the walk moves closer to West Kirby. This 4-mile section takes you through:

- Puddington – A village and nature reserve area with marshlands and birdlife.
- Caldly Hill – The start of a slight elevation leading up to the panoramic views of the coast.
- Thurstaston Hill and Country Park – Offers views of the Dee Estuary, and is a prime spot for wildlife watching, particularly birds and wildflowers.

#### **Passing through Parkgate:**

One of the highlights of this section is walking through the historic village of Parkgate, located along the shore of the Dee Estuary. Parkgate offers stunning views of the estuary and the surrounding marshlands, and is known for its charming promenade. This is also a great spot to take in the coastal beauty, with views of the Hilbre Islands on the horizon.



**Final Stretch (approx. 4 miles):**

The last part of the walk is a coastal stretch, where walkers can take in views of West Kirby beach and the Dee Estuary. As the path nears West Kirby, the landscape becomes even more picturesque, with the trail passing:

- West Kirby Marine Lake – A saltwater lake that provides a serene environment before reaching the finish.
- West Kirby Beach – The finish line is near the beach, with stunning views across the water, making it a peaceful and rewarding endpoint for the walk.

**Finish: West Kirby Station**

The walk ends at West Kirby Station, where participants can rest and take in the sense of achievement. West Kirby is well-served by public transport, including buses and the local train station. After completing the walk, participants will need to make their own way back, as the finish point is different from the start.

**Important Information:**

- The route is 12 miles long and suitable for walkers of all ages and abilities. However, participants should ensure they are physically prepared for the distance and varying terrain.
- The walk will take approximately 4 to 5 hours to complete, depending on your pace and rest breaks.
- The trail includes some uneven paths, so comfortable, sturdy footwear is essential. We also recommend wearing appropriate clothing for the weather conditions and bringing plenty of water and snacks.

# PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND CHARITY WALK

**Sat April 12th, 2025 - 9am**

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

Make your own travel arrangements – *finish point is different from the start*

Bring food, drinks, and suitable clothing

Expect a 4-5 hour walk with stunning views!

## **WHY JOIN?**

Enjoy a beautiful walk through the Wirral Way

Help support maintenance and building projects

Great community event for all ages

**Join Us for a Scenic 12-Mile Walk for a Great Cause!**

**Start:** Hooton Station

**Finish:** West Kirby

**Distance:** 12 Miles

**Entry Fee:**

**£5 per person / £10 for a group of 5**

**Join the walk or sponsor us!**

**Register and for further info:**

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**HELP US REVITALISE OUR  
CHURCH GARDEN!**

## **HOW YOU CAN HELP:**

Make a donation via our website: [rcchep.co.uk](http://rcchep.co.uk)  
Sponsor a walker taking part in our 12-mile Palm  
Sunday Pathway Walk  
Spread the word and encourage others to  
contribute

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**We are raising funds to support a number of maintenance and building projects, creating a safe, welcoming, and functional space for our community. Every donation, big or small, makes a huge difference!**

**Start:** Hooton Station

**Finish:** West Kirby

**Distance:** 12 Miles

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