

Derby Nomads City Circular Way. Version 2

Section between Dale Abbey and Shardlow 10.5 miles

1. At the bottom of Woodpecker Hill turn right and go ahead on the lane passing Rosedale cottage on your left and go across the ford.
2. As the lane turns left go ahead on footpath
3. When path reaches a track turn right and walk up as far as the furnace Pond Farm
4. Turn left on a footpath before passing the pond and that goes in front of the pond and fence. Not on the pond side of the fence.
5. Follow path to the right of Stanton Grove.
6. Cross stile to pass to the right of Furness Ironworks spoil heap and walk in the direction of the Stanton iron works seen in the distance.
7. Turn right opposite stile where footpaths cross. About half way down field.
8. Follow this path across 3 fields (2 stiles) and continue straight on in the 4th field.
9. After the 4th field go over stile and follow path to the left of the hedgerow.
10. After the next stile, keep following the path past a children's play ground on the left.
11. Leave the field by a footpath on the right just before the paths goes into Flake Lane. Do not go down the Lane unless you wish to go into Stanton by Dale where there are some pubs.
12. Follow path until you reach a road. Cross the road and turn left and almost immediately right into footpath. This is before the Chequers Inn which is on the opposite of the road.
13. Straight ahead until you reach No Mans Lane, approx half a mile and across 3 fields.
14. Turn left on road and after about 200yards right on to a footpath towards Maywoods farm now a golf course.
15. When you reach the road before the golf course bear left across road to pick up footpath across golf course following white posts with green tops and a yellow band used as way markers going over a footbridge.
16. At the end of the first part of the golf course go straight ahead through a copse on a track, do not take path to the right and then cross footbridge.
17. Straight ahead and across the second part of the golf course, still following the white posts with green tops then into and up a field. Go past paths to the left and right onto bridleway/track to reach the B5010.
18. Cross the road and walk down lane between houses 69 and 71a.
19. Cross bridge over A52 and immediately turn left on to foot path this then turns right and you follow this path straight one keeping the hedge to your left until just before reaching a road you turn right on to the old Derby canal path. The canal has been filled in.
20. Continue you on this path until you reach a road, which you cross and join the national cycle path network path no. 6. This by the Navigation pub and is still the route of the old canal.

- 21.** Continue on this path following signs to Derby and crossing one road until you reach the Millennium signpost. The last part of the path runs parallel to the road the A6005. (The A6005 follows the path of an old Roman road)
- 22.** Where the path ends at the road turn right and cross the road and turn left into Nooning Lane Cross the road with care.
- 23.** Walk to the end of this road and you will get your first view of the river Derwent (Add some history). We do not take the Bridle way down to it but turn left onto a footpath.
- 24.** Follow this path straight on until you reach some houses. Walk on the path between the houses and turn right into Lime Grove.
- 25.** Then right into Cleveland Avenue. Follow Cleveland Avenue around to the right and take footpath at the end. This path then leads into the end of Derwent Street. Turn left and walk down Derwent passing Draycott house on your left.
- 26.** At the other end of Derwent Street turn left and then almost immediately right into South Street. Here you will go past the Beetroot gallery and café. If before turning right into South Street you continue up the road you will be in the centre of Draycott with pubs other cafes and WC's available.
- 27.** Follow South Street until the road bends left but at that point take the footpath on the right. This is the Midshires Way
- 28.** On reaching the road at pumping station turn left on road. After a short distance turn left onto a footpath. This is still the Midshires way.
- 29.** Follow this footpath crossing one path to the road and turn right.
- 30.** Just after road bends right turn sharp left on to footpath signposted to Shardlow. Still following the Midshires way.
- 31.** Cross the river Derwent by the bridge and across the field
- 32.** At the end of the field turn left into Wilne Lane.
- 33.** Follow Wilne Lane to Shardlow on reaching the bridge over the canal cross over and take the towpath on the right.