## Penwortham & Howick Riverside Walk approx 4.1 miles

The majority of this walk takes place on good footpaths. However, extra care should be taken when covering the section between Howick Cross Lane and Blashaw Lane as this portion of the walk passes through fields and woodland which contain some inclines and muddy paths. If you are looking to complete this walk over the winter months you are strongly advised to wear waterproof clothing and footwear.

- The walk starts from the main entrance of King George VI field at Queensway and West End.
- From the main entrance of King George VI field turn left and proceed down Queensway until it becomes Shaftesbury Avenue.
- Proceed along Shaftesbury Avenue until you reach Blundell Lane where you will turn left and follow it until you reach the entrance to Penwortham Golf Club.
- Take the public footpath to the right of the entrance and proceed along it down the hill until you reach Holme Road and the River Ribble.
- 4 At this point turn left and proceed along the riverside on Holme Road, which then becomes the 'Ribble Way' footpath. Keep on the riverside path for approximately 1.5 miles until you reach the red life ring holder sited next to a bench.
- 5 At this point leave the Ribble Way by turning left on to the signed public footpath where you will cross a metal stile at the side of a gate.
- 6 Proceed along this path going through a further gate until you reach its end where it becomes Howick Cross Lane.
- Proceed uphill along Howick Cross Lane for 3/4 Mile, passing a number of farms and the National Grid Power Station.
- 8 When you reach Howick Hall Farm turn left and proceed along the signed public footpath which takes you through the farmyard.
- 9 Once you have gone through the yard and passed the farmhouse cross over the stile and take the footpath on the right which is signed with yellow arrows.
- 10 Proceed along this path crossing a further stile keeping the hedgerow on your left hand side and the large field on your right. Half way across the field you will see a stile in the hedgerow.
- 11 Cross this stile and turn right. Make your way diagonally across the field, following the path until you reach the fence, where you will find a stile.
- Cross over this stile and follow the footpath down the hill, over the wooden bridge then up the hill at the other side. At the brow of the hill take the footpath that veers slightly to the left then follow the hedgerow to its end at Blashaw Lane.
- Proceed along Blashaw Lane until you reach Stanley Grove where you will turn left.
- Walk along Stanley Grove until the junction with Crookings Lane where you will turn left.
- **15** Proceed along Crookings Lane until you reach the junction with West End where you will turn right and will reach your destination.



## **PENWORTHAM WALK 1**

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(1 hour 15 mins)



## Please wear appropriate clothing and footwear; keep to the paths and close gates. Please keep dogs under control and clean up after them. Do not leave any litter.

Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy in preparing the walks - the council cannot accept any liability and people using the route do so at their own risk.

