

Country Code

Respect, Protect, Enjoy

- Leave gates as you find them.
- Leave farm animals and machinery alone. If you think an animal's in distress, alert the farmer.
- Keep to the public right of way.
- Leave no trace of your visit and take your litter home.
- **Dogs:** Passengers may travel on trains with up to two dogs on leads. During the walk it is essential you clear any dog mess and keep effective control of your dog. **Always keep dogs on leads around livestock;** however, if cattle or horses try to chase your dog its safer for both of you to let your dog off the lead.
- Plan ahead, check the weather and dress appropriately, including footwear.
- On a hot day remember to re-apply sunscreen.
- Always carry water and a packed lunch, if needed.
- Take necessary equipment to support your walk, i.e. walking poles.
- Be aware you may not have a mobile signal in places during your walk.

The Severnside Community Rail Partnership is a Community Interest Company supported by local authority and rail industry partners to encourage the use of local trains on routes radiating from Bristol.

👉 www.severnside-rail.org.uk

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Getting there

By rail: Great Western Rail operate a regular service. For timetables, ticketing and information including Passenger Assist visit www.gwr.com

By bus, cycling or on foot: Use the Travelwest live Journey Planner www.travelwest.info

Always check websites or local media for live, up to date information before setting out.

Keep on Moving

Healthy Walks from the Railway Programme:

The Severnside Community Rail Partnership offers a series of monthly free **Healthy Walks from the Railway** between April and September. Join an inclusive group and walk with a qualified leader. See www.severnside-rail.org.uk

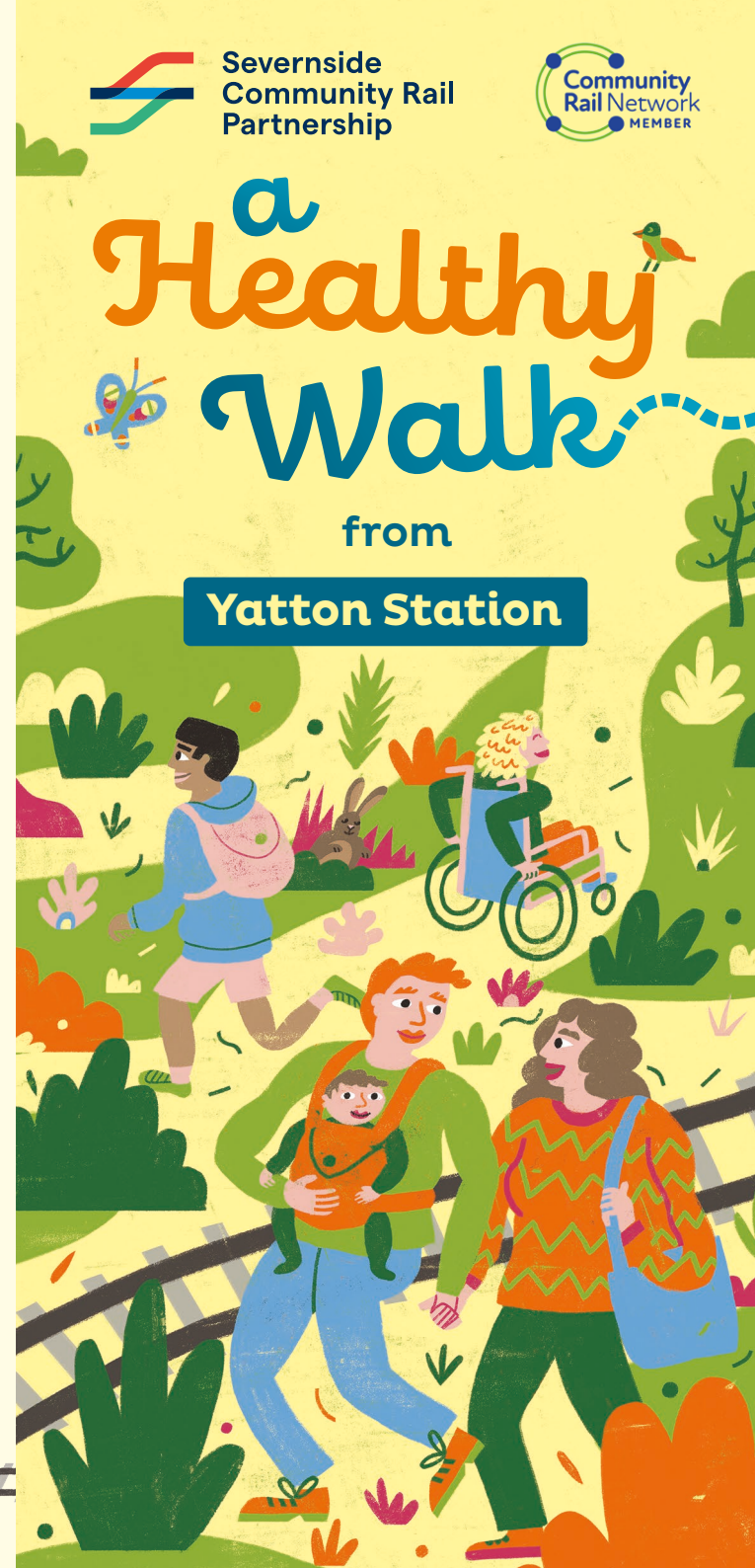
Further afield: The Wessex Wanderers Rail Walks programme offers free public guided walks starting from stations along the scenic Heart of Wessex line between Bristol and Weymouth. See www.wessexrailwaywalks.org.uk



a Healthy Walk

from

Yatton Station



A Healthy Walk from Yatton station

Distance: 3 miles

Walking time: 2 hours

Grade: Easy

Our suggested route takes you through Yatton, passing by Yatton church and alongside its graveyard. Turn right immediately before the allotments on Mendip Road and pass through some kissing gates before crossing diagonally downhill across farmland. After passing the garden centre, climb the stile and cross fields by the River Yeo before joining the Old Railway Line.

The Strawberry Line Cafe is a directly on the platform and other cafes ☕ and pubs 🍺 are marked on the map, where you might like to stop off for refreshments and a toilet break.

Accessibility: There are two stiles 🚶 marked on the map. A variation of this route, to avoid these, is to turn on to the A370 and then take a right towards the Old Railway Line.

Also in this series, A Healthy Walk from **Bradford-on-Avon station** and **Severn Beach station**



1 Yatton Station

The station is a grade II listed building on Brunel's Bristol and Exeter Railway opened 14th June 1841. It was later a busy junction with the Cheddar Valley and Clevedon lines, employing many railway workers.

2 Yatton church

Standing in an elevated position above the levels, Yatton church is one of the glories of North Somerset. It was built on the site of a Saxon church, from 1320 onwards, with stone from the Dundry quarries. Admire the fine south porch with its lierne vaulting inside and notice the missing top half of the spire, which was removed in 1595, but never replaced.

3 The Old Railway Line

The railway was built over Congresbury Marsh, which was drained in 1819 when the present rhynes were built. Known as the 'Strawberry Line' because it carried fruit from Cheddar, it was opened in 1869 from Yatton Junction and closed in 1963. The old line now forms part of a longer walking route called The Cheddar Valley Railway Walk and is a designated nature reserve.

4 Railway Line sculpture

Located in what was the former goods yard near Yatton station, this six metre high arch now sits over the old railway line pathway. Made by blacksmith Alan Cooper from Engine Forge, Winscombe – the artwork depicts a cyclist, rambler and various wildlife visible along the route.