



Wonderful Woodgate Valley Trail

A wonderful circular walk through Woodgate Valley Country Park. Expect a babbling brook, park and waterside views and ponies en route.

Distance 4 kilometers / 2.5 miles

Duration 50 minutes



Wildlife



Picnic spot



Parking



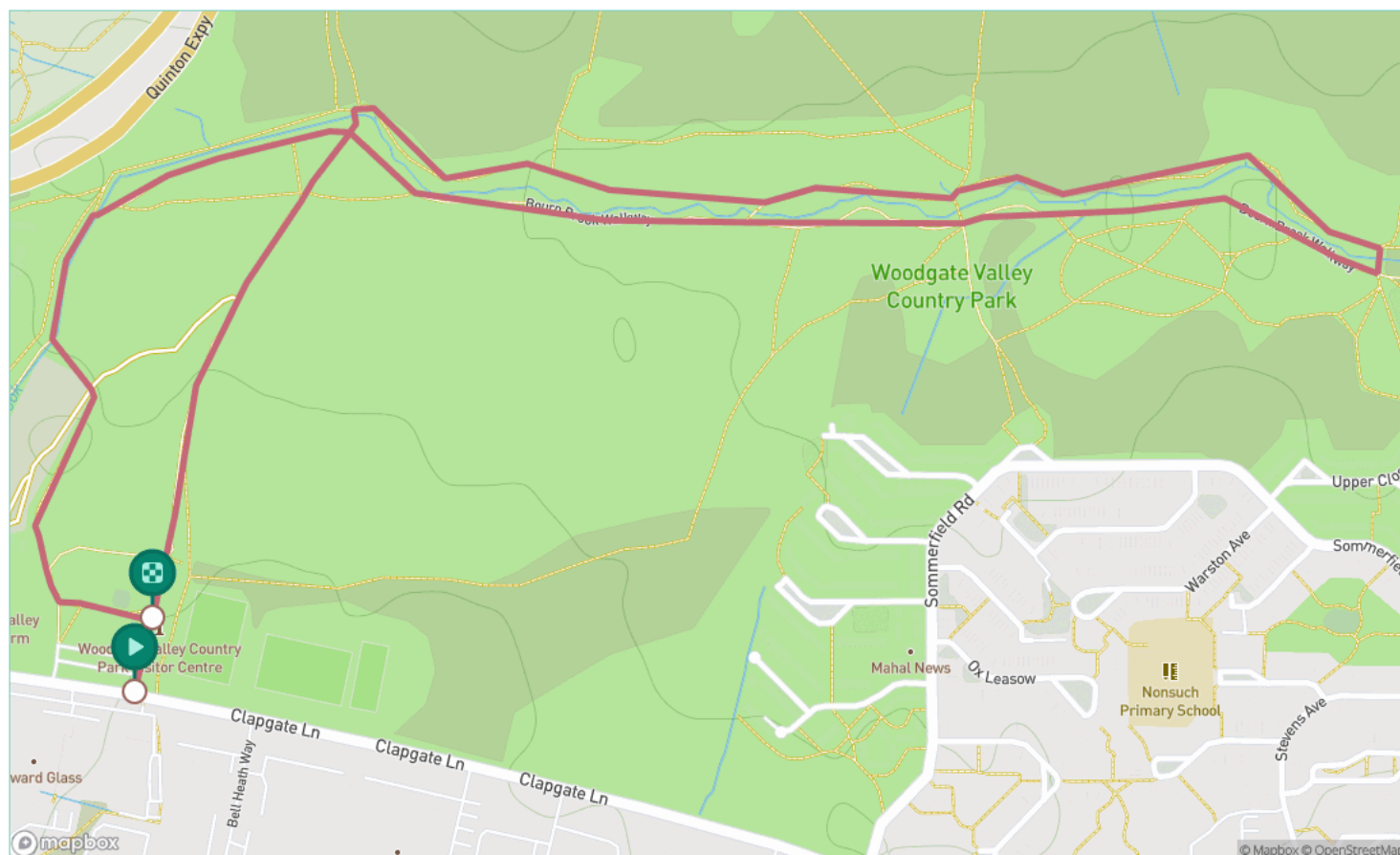
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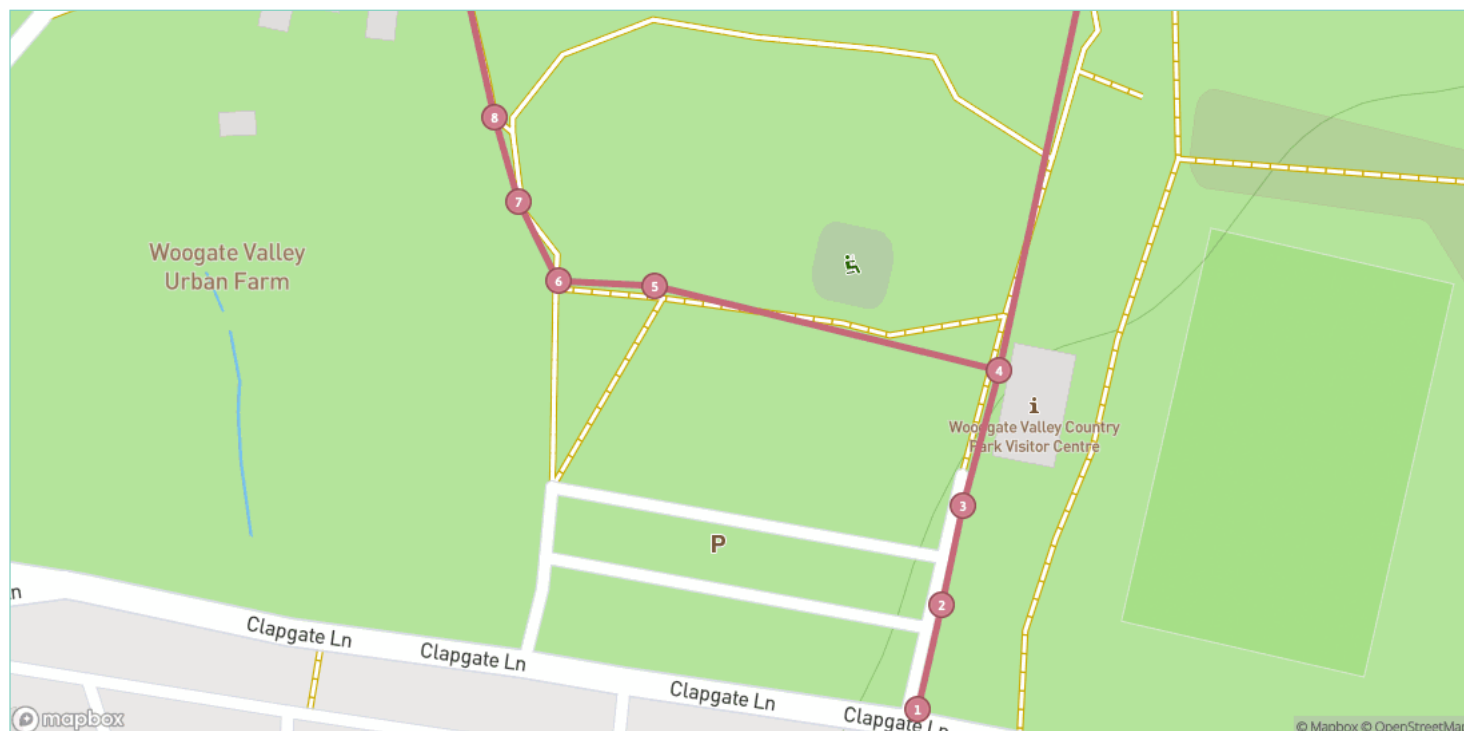


Child friendly



Botanics





Step 1: Start at the entrance to Woodgate Valley Country Park on Clapgate Lane. The No 23 bus stop is nearby on Clapgate Lane and Woodgate Lane.

Step 8: You'll go past Woodgate Valley Urban Farm, which is well worth a visit. (small admission fee)

Step 2: Please note that some sections of this walk might be muddy in wet or wintry weather. Solid or waterproof shoes are recommended if so. 😊

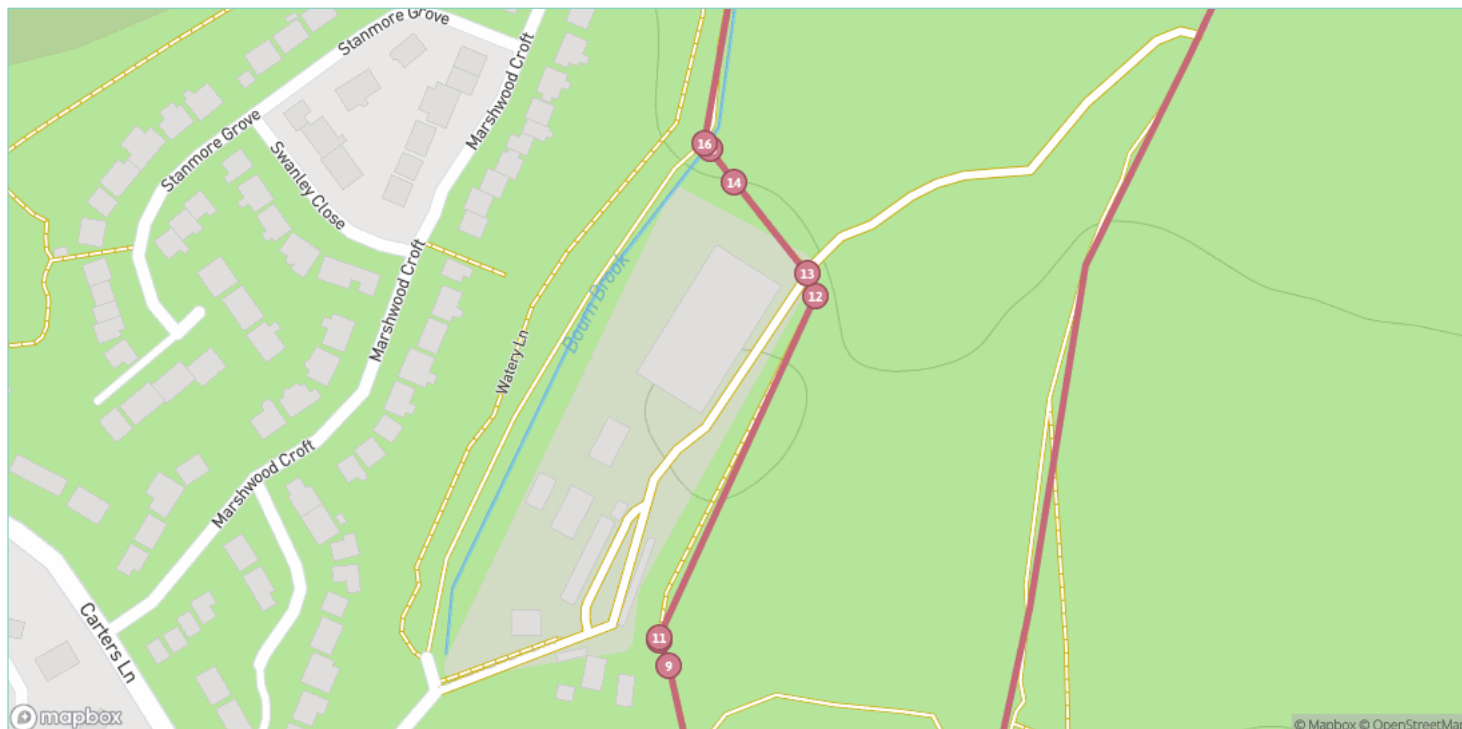
Step 3: Head through the car park and towards the Visitor Centre.

Step 4: With the Visitor Centre behind you, head down this path with a play area on your right.

Step 5: Turn right when the path reaches the bottom of the car park, by the sign for the Riding Centre.

Step 6: Enter the Country Park here on the right and bear almost immediately left.

Step 7: Follow the path to the left.



Step 9: Continue along the path and you will soon reach a double set of gates. Head on through.

Step 10: Between the two gates is the entrance to Hole Farm Trekking Centre on your left.

Step 11: Go through the second gate and continue along the path to the left of the field.

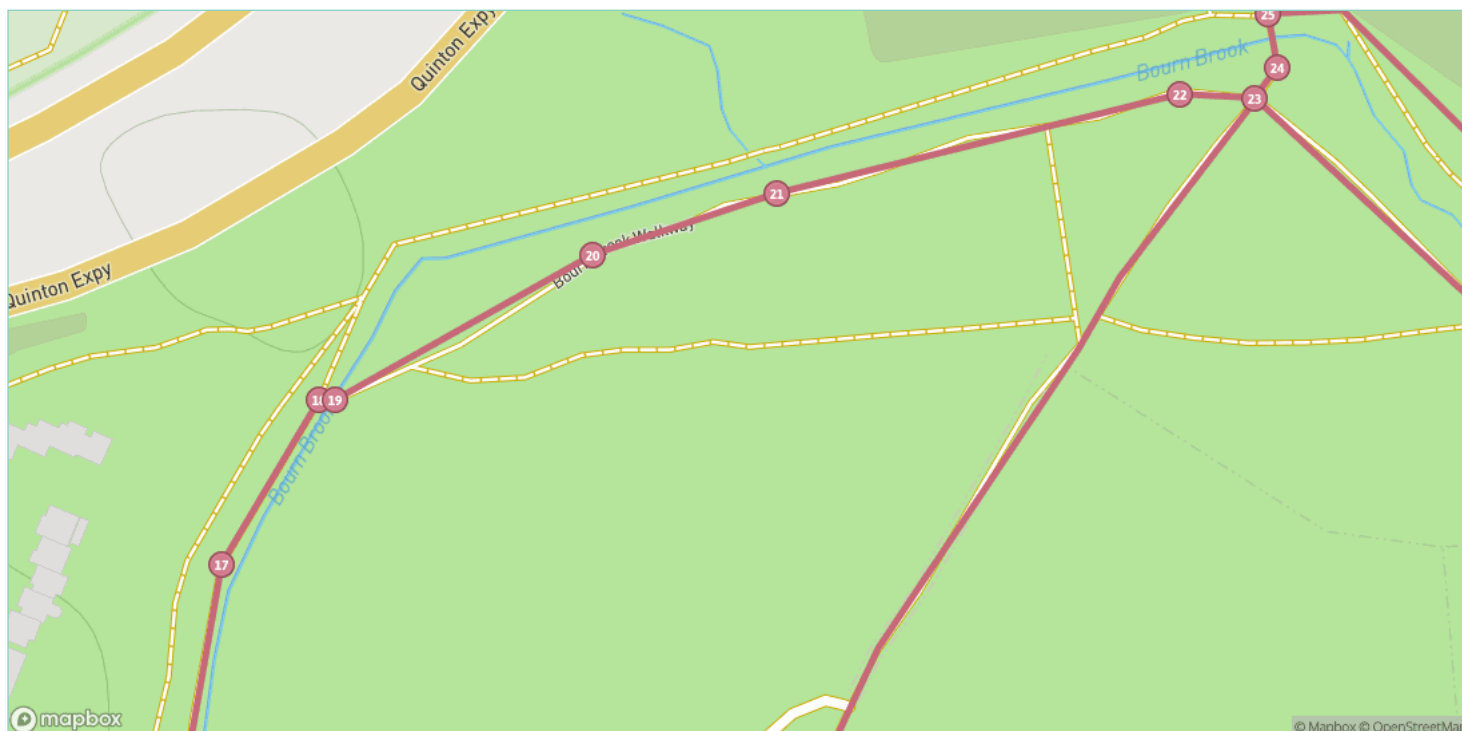
Step 12: At the end of the field continue on the path ahead, past metal gates on your left and right. The path bears left here.

Step 13: ...and continues downhill.

Step 14: At the end head down some steps where you'll reach another gate before a bridge.

Step 15: Cross over the bridge and then turn right.

Step 16: Follow the path ahead into the valley.



Step 17: Continue along this path - the Bournbrook Walkway - for a short while.

Step 18: Until you reach a footbridge over the brook where you turn right.

Step 19: Head over the bridge and through a chicane gate then follow the path ahead.

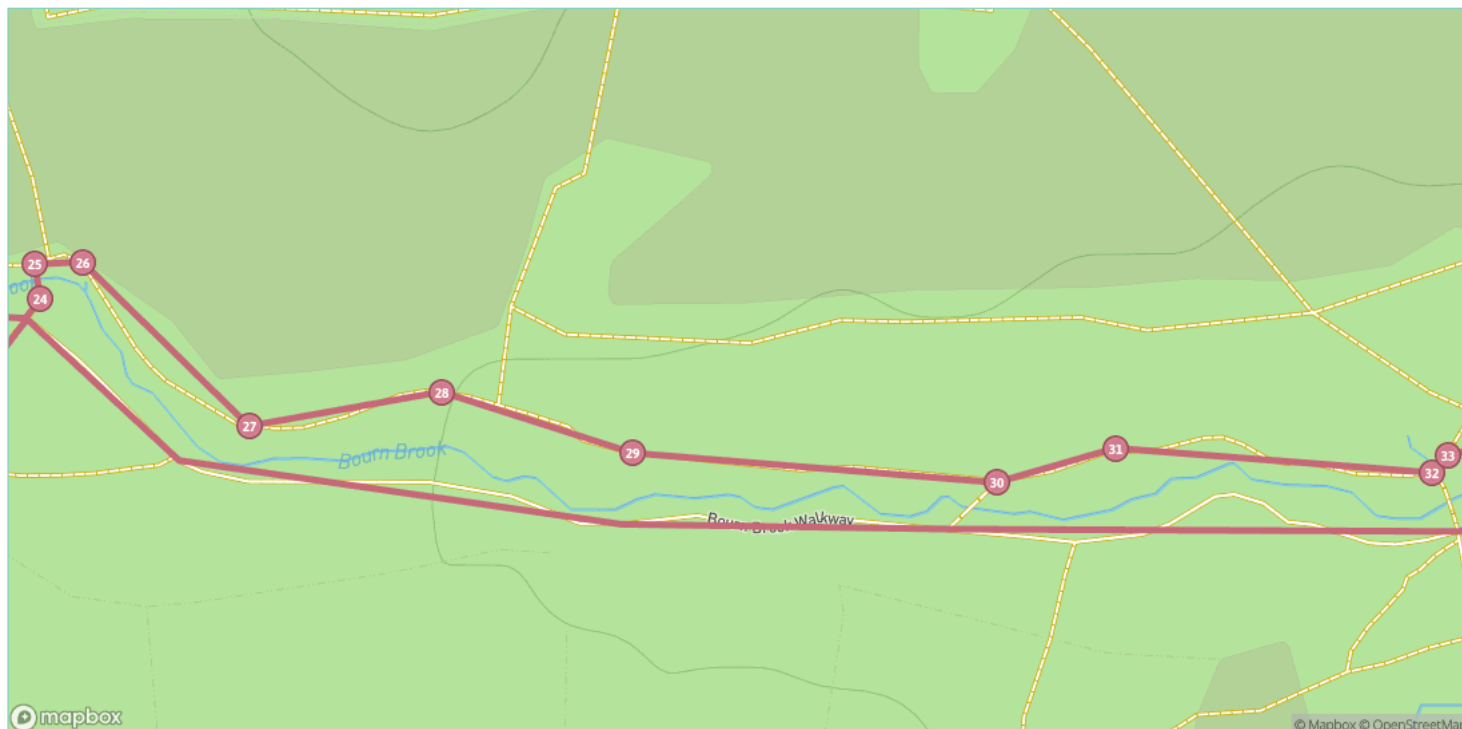
Step 20: Continue ahead with the brook on your left.

Step 21: The Bourn Brook flows from Woodgate Valley for over 5 miles through to Cannon Hill Park.

Step 22: Continue along this path until you come to a bench next to a litter bin.

Step 23: Turn left just before a signpost and head towards the bridge.

Step 24: Cross over the bridge and then turn right.



Step 25: Follow the path ahead with the Bourn Brook now on your right.

Step 26: Continue along the path ahead.

Step 27: There are plenty of benches throughout the park if you fancy a rest at any point.

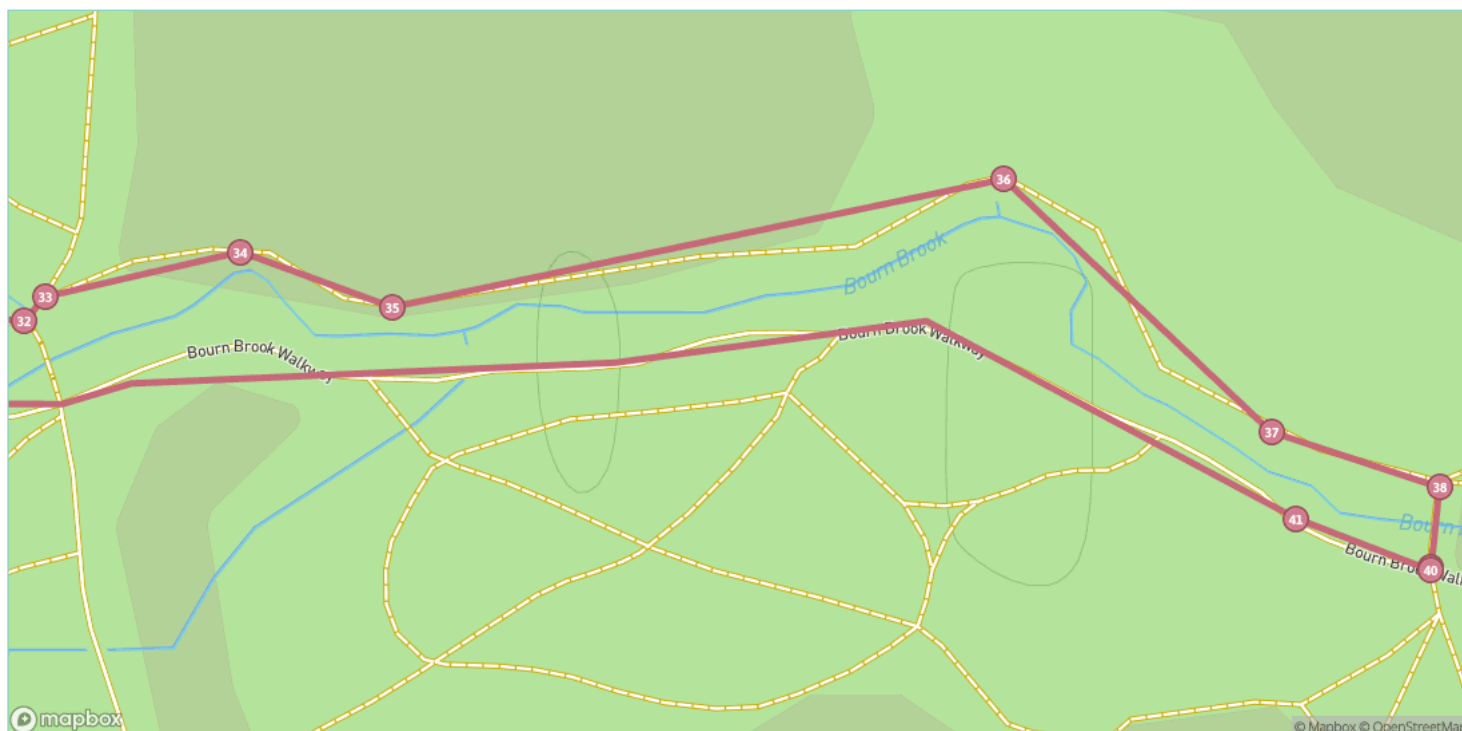
Step 28: Continue ahead, going past a gap in the trees with a field on your left.

Step 29: You will sometimes find ponies trekking along this path - watch out for anything they've left behind!

Step 30: You will come to a ford on your right hand side which can be great for splashing in if you have wellies or don't mind wet feet!

Step 31: We're going to continue on past the ford remaining on the path to the left of the brook.

Step 32: In a bit you will reach a crossroads in the paths with a bridge on your right. Continue straight on.



Step 33: Follow the track keeping the trees on your right (ignore the path to your left).

Step 34: Keep to the path.

Step 35: The path weaves gently to the left...

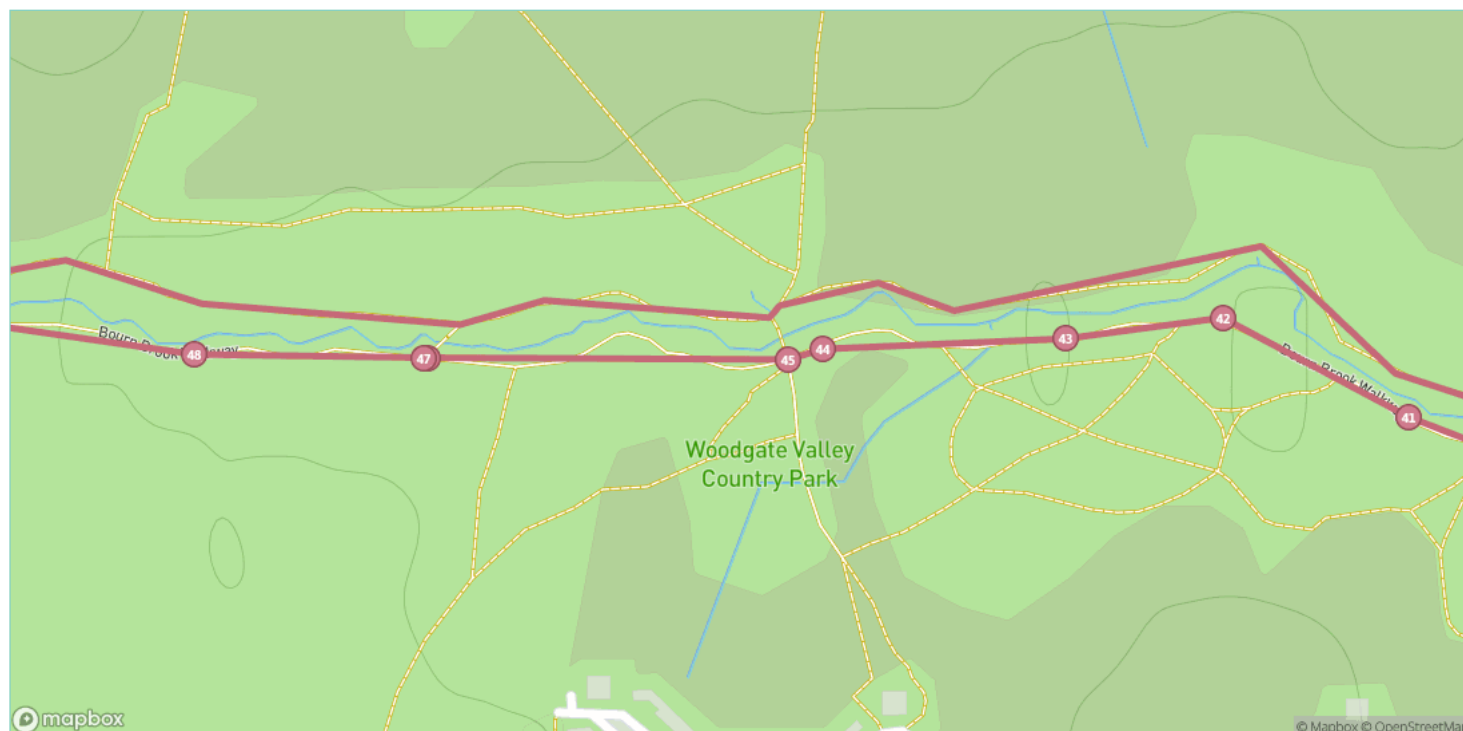
Step 36: ...and then the right.

Step 37: Until you reach another crossroads in the paths. Look out for a bridge.

Step 38: The bridge should be your right. Cross over it. Can you see a bench nearby?

Step 39: This is a nice spot to pause briefly by the brook!

Step 40: After the bridge, turn right where the paths cross.



Step 41: Take the path ahead, with the brook to your right.

Step 48: You'll pass some metal railings alongside the path.

Step 42: Continue along the path, making your way back along the valley.

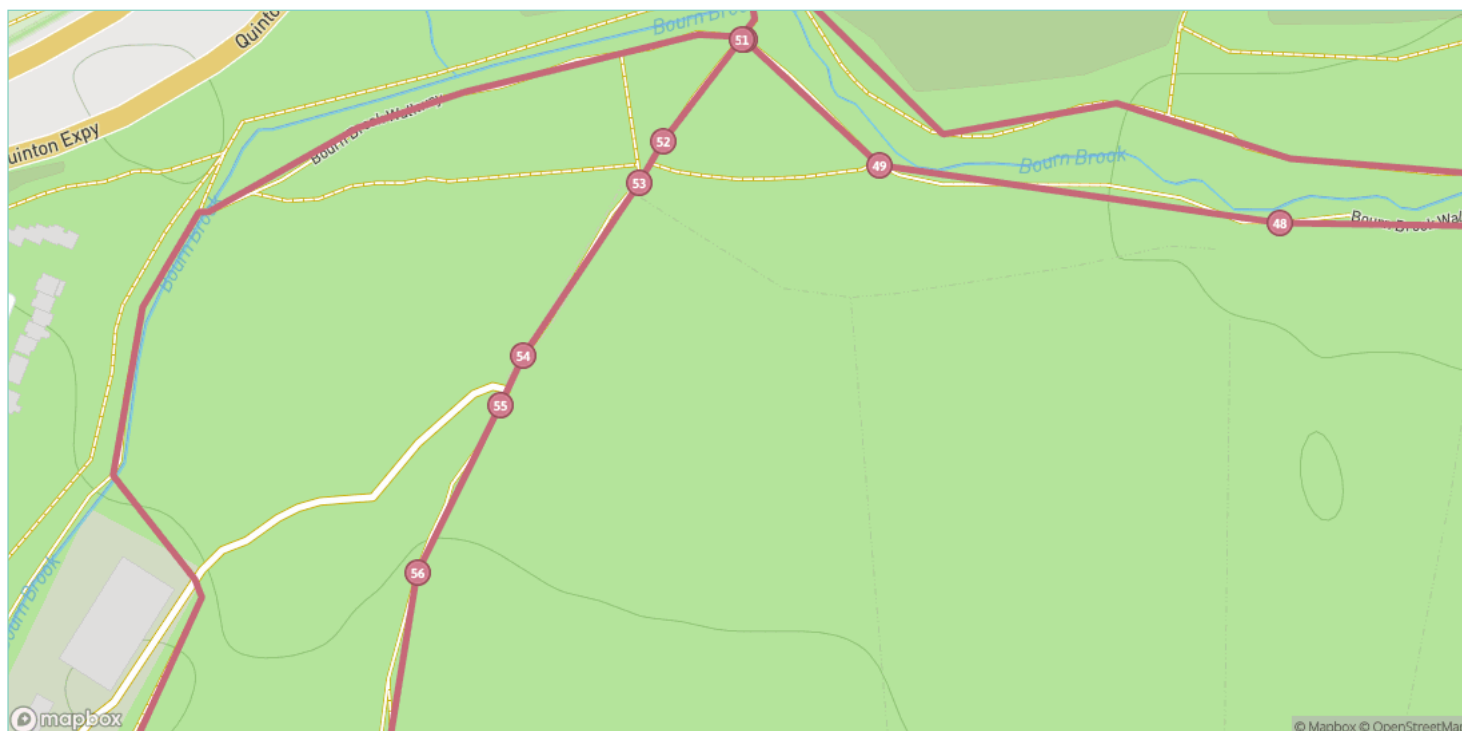
Step 43: Continue on the main path, going past a grass track to your left.

Step 44: Continue on the main path, past a bridge on your right and another footpath on your left.

Step 45: There are some information boards around the park telling you about some of the plants and wildlife you might find here.

Step 46: You'll soon return to the ford from earlier, this time from the other side. Have your feet dried out yet?!

Step 47: Continue on the path ahead after the ford.



Step 49: Continue on the path to the right (ignoring a grass track on your left).

Step 50: You've now returned to the signpost by the bridge from earlier. This time we are going to turn left.

Step 51: Follow this path as it gradually climbs uphill.

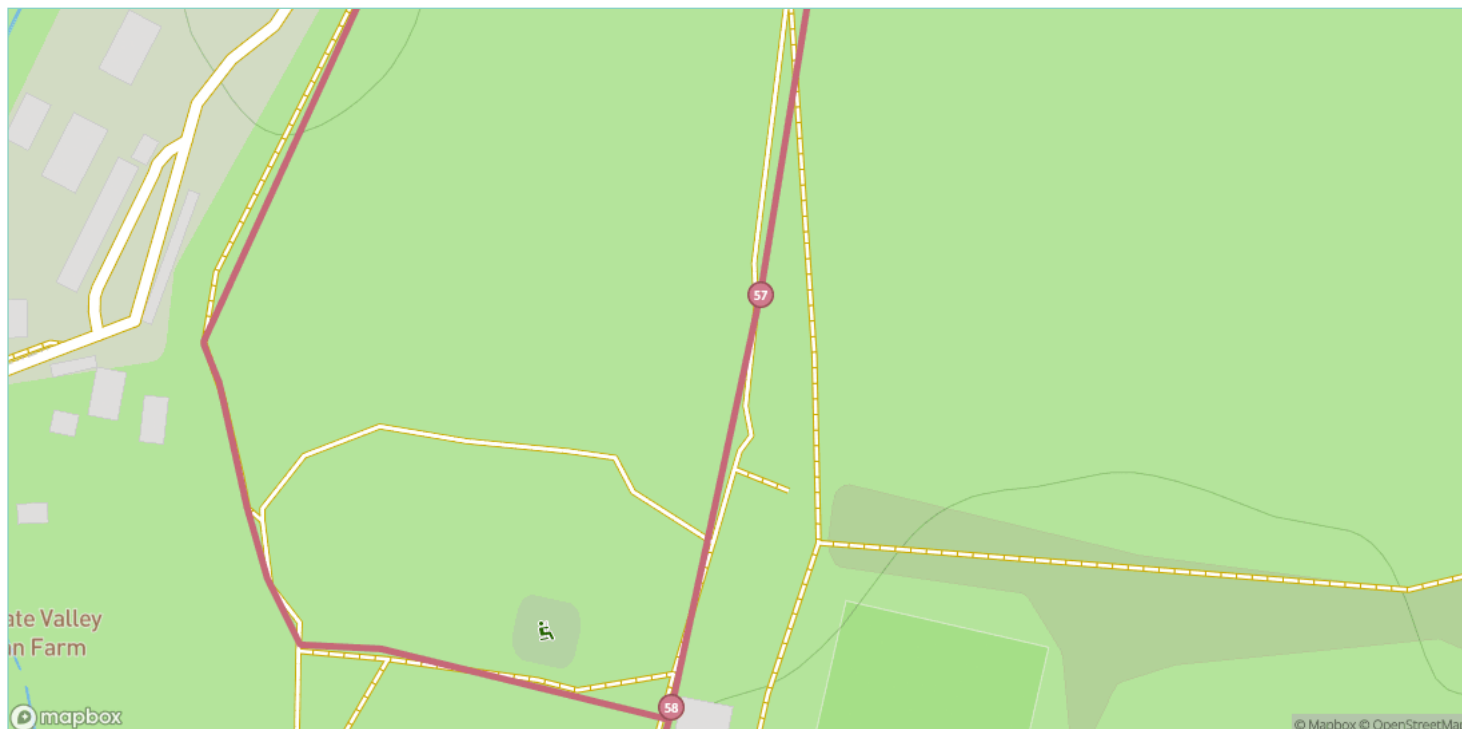
Step 52: There is another bench here if you want to pause before the final section of the walk.

Step 53: Follow the path uphill through the middle of the two fields - can you spot any ponies?

Step 54: There is a giant boulder along the way. How do you think this first got here?

Step 55: We stopped to say hello to this pony when we visited.

Step 56: The path continues gradually uphill between the fields.



Step 57: Soon you'll reach a chicane gate just before the visitor centre.

Step 58: And we are back by the play area where we first started our walk. We hope you enjoyed this jaunt! Find your next walk in the app.