

Northern Frome

2.5 Miles | 4.2 km

Moderate

This walk links together several of the town's open spaces. Trees, both native and introduced, are a particular feature of the walk, including wingnut, alder and lime along the riverside path.

Between Rodden Road and Willow Vale you can turn right up the steps to the Millennium Green or turn left into Rodden Meadow. Both are semi-wild areas, where there have been new plantings of native species, providing an oasis for wildlife and for people, close to the centre of the town.

Take a short detour about 50m further along Innox Hill to see the old workers' cottages. Along the road and in an open sided quadrangle behind, the cottages were built in the early 1800s. Many of the occupants would have worked in the cloth industry, some as home-workers, but many at Sheppard's Mill at Spring Gardens to the north.

START

1 In the Market Yard Car Park, outside Frome Library, take the riverside path, past the Canoe Club, under the bridge to Welshmill Lane.

2 Cross Welshmill Lane and continue by the river to Lower Innox. Turn right then left up Innox Hill. After 500m go right up a footpath (by modern lamp post) to Pedlars Grove.

3 Turn left then left again on Packsaddle Way. Take a right turn along a rough track to a kissing gate. Cross field to the wide gap.

4 After next gap go right, then left. Walk with hedgerow on left to kissing gate. Turn right along lane. Then turn left through un-gated gap. Follow grassy strip in front of you across Mendip Drive and on to Grange Road.

5 Go left and walk to Bath Road. Cross at traffic lights, turn right towards the town centre.

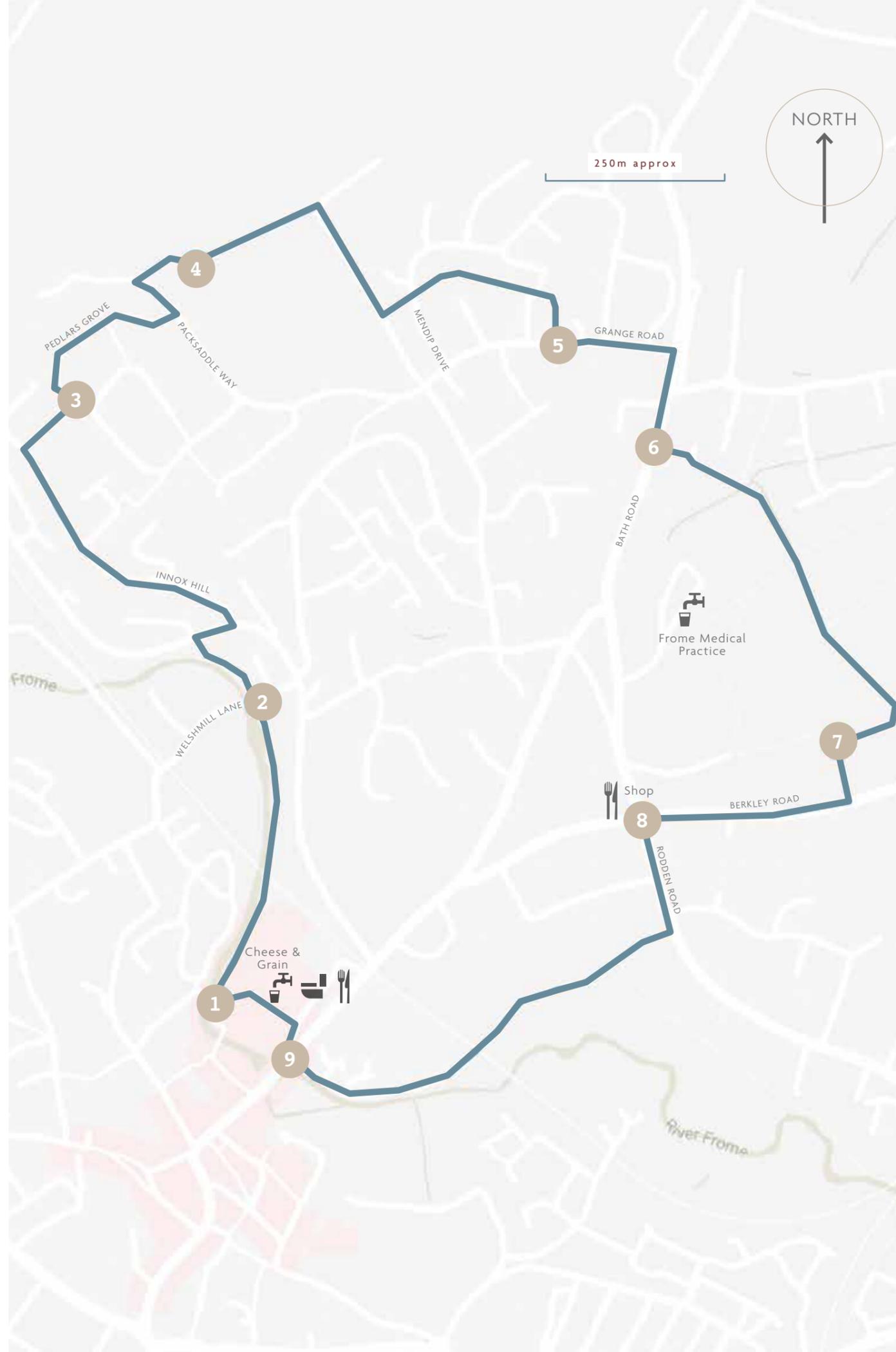
6 Take the second driveway on the left, by a bungalow called "Cleveland". Continue past hospital and across former "showfield". At far side follow path round to right.

7 Turn left between houses to Badgers Hill near the football ground. Turn right and walk to traffic lights by Vine Tree pub.

8 Turn left. After Windsor Crescent, take next track right. Before last house go half left onto open scrubland. Follow clear path downhill, then turn right onto a tarmac path. Go under railway bridge and along Willow Vale, to North Parade.

9 Cross North Parade into Bridge Street. After the Black Swan Arts Centre turn left back to the car park and library.

FINISH



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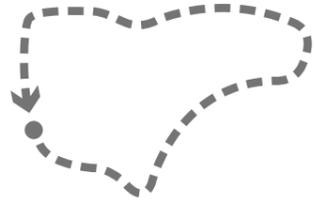
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|  Water Refill |  Walking Route |
|  Refreshments |  Pub |



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FROME WALKS



Route written by Veyan Conn on behalf of Frome Recreation and Open Ground Supporters.

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Respect

Consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors.

Leave gates and property as you find them.

Follow paths where crops are growing.
Use gates or stiles if possible.

Avoid climbing walls or fences. Don't disturb ruins or historic sites. Don't interfere with machinery or livestock.

Protect

Protect plants and animals and take your litter home. Be careful not to drop matches or smouldering cigarettes.

Keep your dog under effective control so that it does not disturb or scare farm animals or wildlife.

Always clean up after your dog and get rid of the mess responsibly.

Enjoy

Be safe, plan ahead and follow any signs.