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Visit www.bristolbathrailwaypath.org.uk or call 0117 922 4325 for further information.

Further Information

At www.travelbristol.org you can get local travel information for the whole region. This includes a link to www.betterbybike.info where you can get detailed cycle maps for both Bristol and Bath and other local cycling information.

To find out more about Sustrans and how to become a supporter, visit www.sustrans.org.uk or call 0845 113 00 65.

For maintenance problems please contact:

St Phillips Road to Railway Terrace – 0117 922 3719
 Railway Terrace to River Avon Bridge, Bitton – 01454 868 000
 River Avon Bridge, Bitton to Brassmill Lane – 01225 394 041

To report criminal activity:

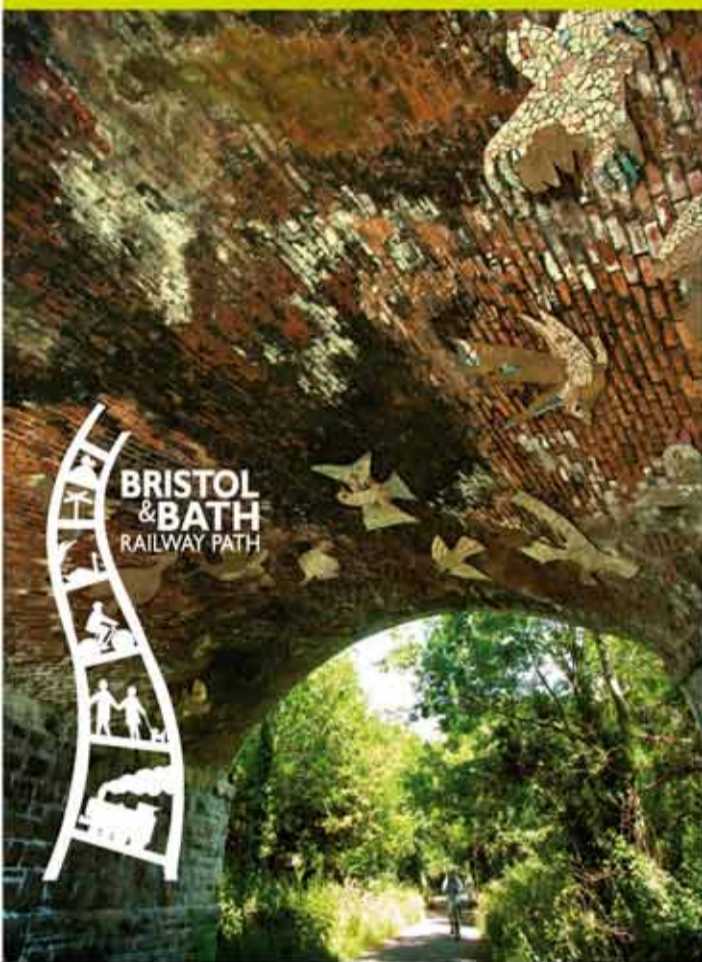
Call the police on 101
 In an emergency call 999

If you have any comments, notice any errors or have any ideas for improvements please visit www.betterbybike.info/feedback or email city.transport@bristol.gov.uk



Bristol & Bath Railway Path

A 13 mile off-road route between Bristol and Bath



WEST OF ENGLAND

CYCLING AND WALKING MAP

Bristol & Bath Railway Path

The Bristol & Bath Railway Path is one of the country's finest routes for cycling and walking. Escape the traffic and explore this wonderful 13 mile off-road route linking the historic cities of Bristol and Bath along the beautiful Avon Valley.



The path is tarmaced and easily accessible to walkers and cyclists of all abilities, with wheelchair and pushchair access at points along the route.



Built on the former track bed of the Midland Railway which fully closed in 1968, the railway line was initially converted into a shared use path by local campaign group "Cyclebag", who obtained planning permission to lay a two metre wide dust track between Bitton and Bath.

Today the path is a three metre wide tarmac path that is well maintained and easy to access. It provides a reasonably flat and virtually traffic free route between Bristol and Bath.

The Bristol & Bath Railway Path is a shared space to be used by pedestrians, disabled people and cyclists with consideration for all.

For further information visit www.bristolbathrailwaypath.org.uk

What are you waiting for?
 Put on your shoes or get on your bike and discover the Bristol & Bath Railway Path!

Following the route

The Bristol & Bath Railway Path is a well defined route and it's difficult to get lost as long as you follow the signs – however, if you wish to explore further afield it's a good idea to take a more detailed map.



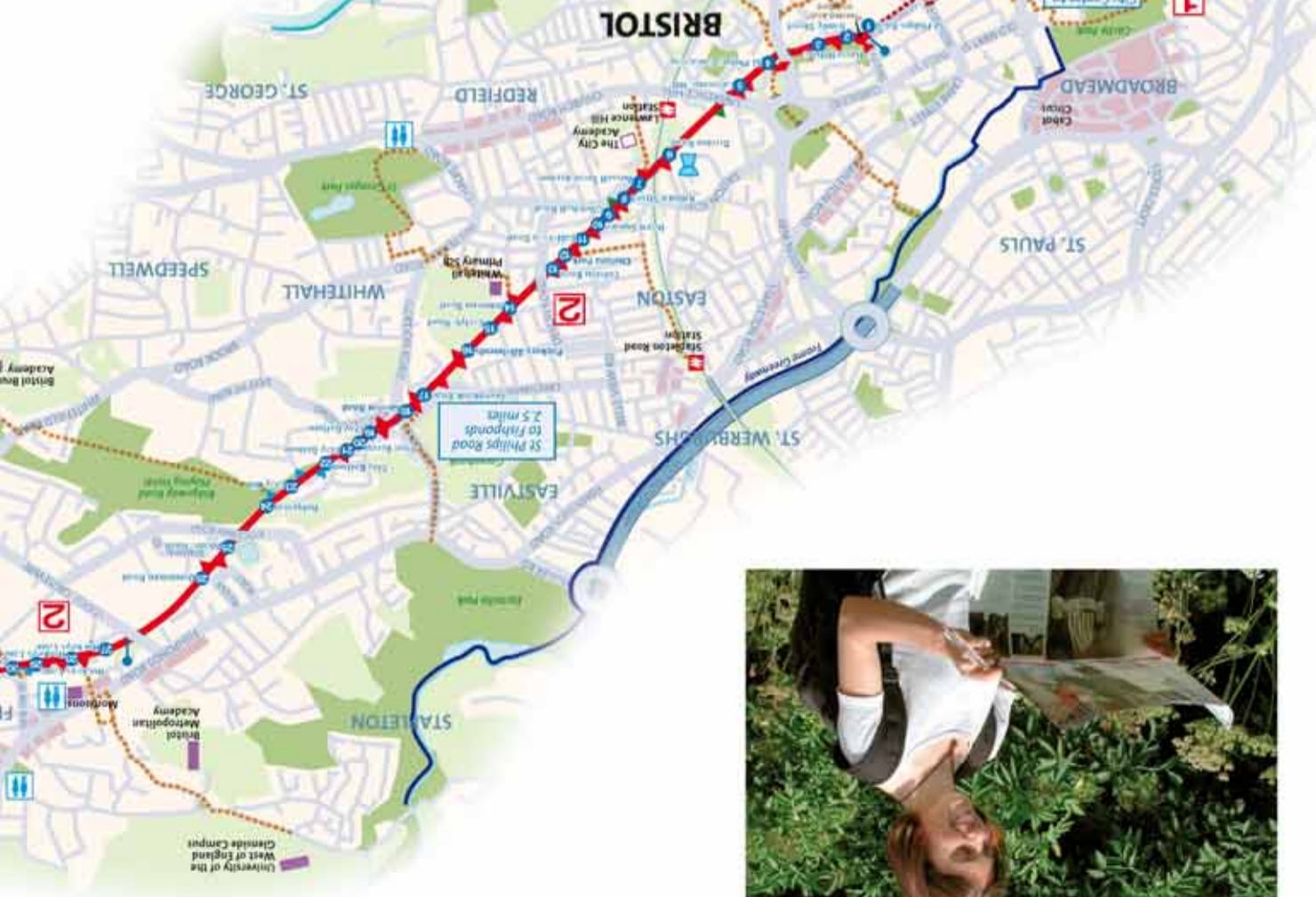
Detailed cycle maps that cover the Bristol & Bath Railway Path may be downloaded or ordered from www.betterbybike.info along with other great ideas for cycling routes!

Travel to and from the route

You can access the path at many points along it. Some of these may be only suitable for pedestrian access, so please check the map.

In Bristol the route starts at Temple Meads station. Lawrence Hill is also close to the path. At the Bath end, Bath Spa station is only a short distance away from connections to the path. For train times and policies on carrying cycles visit www.nationalrail.co.uk or ring national rail on 08457 484 950.

The River Avon Trail runs from Pill – on the North Somerset side of the River Avon close to its mouth – all the way to Pulteney Bridge in Bath. It intersects or runs close to the path at different sections. For further information visit www.riveravontrail.org.uk





Along the Route

1 Bristol – The largest city in the south west. From the heart of the historic harbour and centre of Bristol, signed quieter routes take you to the start of the path, over a bridge near Temple Meads Railway Station.



2 Easton and Fishponds – Cuttings, bridges and embankments take you through this densely populated part of the city. Although a popular commuter route, the path is also a haven for wildlife and recognised as a valuable wildlife corridor. Look out for the fish sculpture in Fishponds before the subway!



3 Staple Hill Tunnel is 0.3 miles long, fully lit, and even on the warmest day is nice and cool.



4 Mangotsfield Station was the point where the original railway line split to head either north to Birmingham or south to Bath. It is one of several station platforms that remain along the path.



5 Warmley Station is another preserved station from the railway days, and from Easter to September it opens as a café. There are also toilets located here.



6 Avon Valley Railway began running in 1972. Steam trains run along a three mile stretch of track with the main station at Bitton. Visit www.avonvalleyrailway.co.uk for further info.



7 Salford Brass Mill is a scheduled ancient monument. After 300 years of use it closed in 1925, but has recently been restored. Visit www.brassmill.com for further info.

8 The Avon Valley – Out into beautiful countryside, the path follows the River Avon, crossing it four times!



9 Bath, a World Heritage Site, is built around the Roman Baths which can still be seen today. Home to some of the most elegant Georgian architecture in the country, it is also a modern centre for shopping, tourism, education and business. Use the Bath & North East Somerset map for cyclists to help you negotiate the city centre, and follow signs for NCN4 to find the path.



Places to eat or stay

There are cafés at Warmley and Bitton Stations that are directly on the path. There are several pubs, cafés and restaurants only a short distance from the path along most of its length.

For details of where to stay, contact one of the tourist information centres listed below.

Tourist information

Bath
Abbey Chambers, Abbey Church Yard
Bath BA1 2LY
Telephone 0906 711 2000
(calls charged at 50p per min)
www.visitbath.co.uk

Bristol
E Shed, 1 Canons Road
Bristol, BS1 5TX
Open daily 10:00–17:00
Telephone 0333 321 0101
(calls charged at national rate)
www.visitbristol.co.uk



Key

- Bristol & Bath Railway Path
- Frome Greenway
- River Avon Trail
- Whitchurch Railway Path
- Other shared use paths
- Recommended connecting cycle routes
- Connecting walking routes
- Bridle way
- ▲ Level access points
- ▲ Ramped or level access points with constricted access or steep gradient
- ▲ Access points with steps
- Railway station
- Public toilets
- Cafe
- Water fountain
- Public house
- Picnic site
- Shops
- Distance marker
- Distance between markers
- Points of interest along the route
- Junction numbers and names

Warmley Station

