

QUEENS PARK, BOURNEMOUTH, Perimeter Walk

Start: SZ 106 932 Queens Park car park, Queens Park West Drive.

Distance: 2.5 mls, 4 km, allow 1 hour. Easy walking.

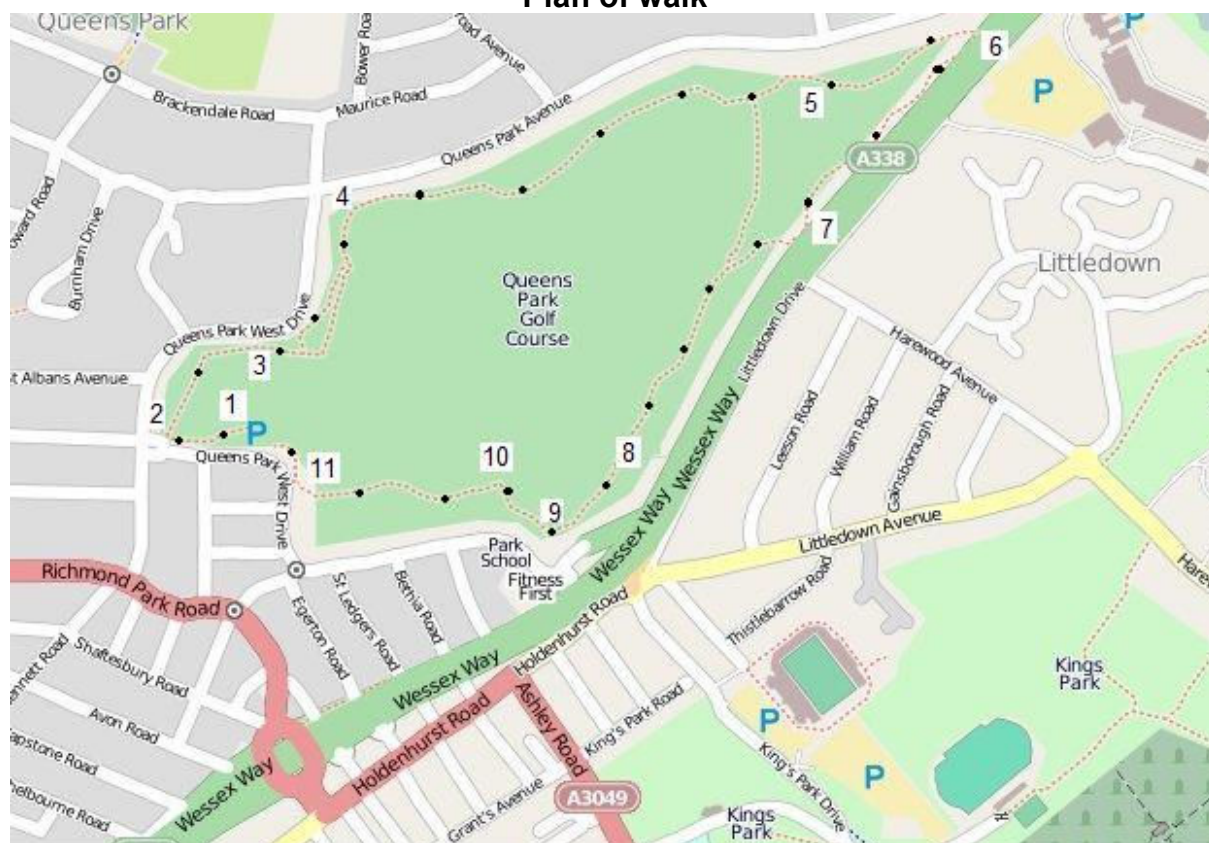
Maps: Explorer OL22 or Landranger 195. (Note: not all the paths used are on these maps.)

Buses: No bus stops immediately at above car park. Transdev Yellow 3 and Wilts and Dorset M1 travel along Charminster Road from Castle Point/Bournemouth. Transdev Yellow 25 Boscombe/Winton/University, and 39 Bournemouth/Christchurch travel along Holdenhurst Road, alight Queens Park Hotel, allowing one to join the walk, via underpass, at the entrance in (9).

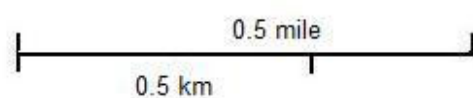
Parking: Queens Park car park.

Note: although Queens Park is laid out as a golf course, the park is a public open space and walkers have priority over golfers. That said, it is worth watching out for golfers and golf balls.

Plan of walk



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--- Track	Trunk road
--- Byway	Primary road
--- Bridleway	Secondary road
--- Cycleway	Unclassified road
--- Footway	Unsurfaced road
--- Railway	
--- Administrative boundary	



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1. With your back to the club house, take a path into the trees from the right hand corner of the car park and continue ahead.

2. The path goes up and down through the trees.

Turn right into the open space, go on until you almost reach the road and bear right through the trees into another open space.

3. Head across the open space to some litter bins in the opposite left hand corner.

At the gate, turn left into the trees and follow the path through the trees for a short time, bearing right to come out into the open again.

Turn left onto the track to go down the hill.

4. At the bottom of the hill, turn right to keep the trees on your right and the road on your left.

5. After passing a structure like giant grassy stairs on your right, the path goes up into the trees on your right.

6. At the top of the rise, continue until you see the tall fences on your right and left converging at the end of the park. Turn sharp right.

Keep straight on with the fence on your left and trees on your right.

7. The path turns to the left to reach a barrier onto the road (and subway to Littledown Drive/Harewood Avenue). Turn right, away from the barrier, and drop down towards a gravel path. Turn left onto the path.

8. Keep on to the pond.

9. Take a left fork after the pond and continue until you come to a small car park with an entrance to the park from Queens Park South Drive (near Holdenhurst Road).

Turn right just before the car park fence and then go down to cross a small bridge.

10. Turn left onto the path alongside the stream and then right up into the trees after passing several bridges.

11. Emerging from the trees, cross the open space and arrive at the back of the club house where there are toilets and a café.

There are other paths criss-crossing the park. Why not try them too?

Updated 27/12/11. Bear in mind that bus routes, car parking and even paths can all change!