

Bromsgrove Walks

For Health

Route 4 – St. Godwalds Wander.

Start:	St. Godwalds Church, Fininstall Road, Aston Fields.
Distance:	3 miles
Type of Walk:	Paved & Field Paths. Stiles. Moderate gradients.
Facilities:	General store✓ Public transport✓



This walk links one of Bromsgrove's newest housing areas with the unspoilt countryside nearby. Using Pedways, bridleways, field paths and country lanes, the walk gives you a taste of every sort of local walking.

Start: From the church turn left to follow **Fininstall Road** for a few yards, then turn left into **Chaucer Road**, and turn immediately right into **Rigby Lane**. Follow the road round to the left passing Rigby Hall School. Take the footpath on the right, following this as it bears right past the school buildings (ignore the footpath on the left). The footpath continues as a fenced track to emerge next to the new housing estate.

2) Take the left hand Pedway ahead of you and cross **Penshurst Road**. Continue ahead to cross the next road just beyond the point where a track joins from the right. Pass to the right of the electricity substation and continue on crossing the next residential road.

3) Continue along the Pedway, passing a gravelled track on the left. When you reach the pond on your left, turn right onto a gravel path which rises up past a fenced area and specimen tree. Cross the residential road and continue along a gravel path through a grassy area with Holly trees until you meet **Royal Worcester Crescent**.

4) Cross the road and follow the Pedway opposite up the steep hill (note the fine view behind you). From the top of the hill continue down the other side until you reach a path which takes you under the railway bridge. Continue along the footpath to reach **Haydon Road**.

5) Turn left and continue to the **Alcester Road**. Turn right and go uphill, crossing **Fininstall Road**, and continuing past the plant nursery.

6) A little way beyond the nursery take a signposted footpath on the right. This initially follows a driveway, then goes through a gate to continue as a fenced footpath. Follow this until you reach the bridlepath. Turn right here and continue down past the farm to **Dusthouse lane**.

7) Turn right and follow the lane to the crossroads and turn right again into **Walnut Lane**. Follow the lane for about 100 yards and take a narrow footpath on the left. Follow this through a gate into open fields. Follow the fence on your right, passing the rugby ground, until you reach **Finstall Road**.

8) From here turn left and cross the railway bridge following the road back to the start point.

9) Alternatively, turn left immediately before the railway bridge and follow the path alongside the railway line. This brings you to **St. Godwalds Road**. Turn right and follow the road back to **Finstall Road**, turn right again to finish at the church.