## The Austrey Trail

Route: Start at Austrey C.E. Primary

- School (At the top of St Nicolas close). Walk on and turn right at the mini roundabout carry on down the road and turn left at the bottom of the Close onto the Main Road.
- Pass a red Victorian post box (on the left) and further down the road the old Austrey post office which still has the post box on it (again on the left). When you reach the old Austrey post office cross over the road to Austrey's new post office/shop (on the right) which is open:

   Monday-Saturday 8am-8pm
   Sunday-9am-1pm
   The owner –Paul Boulstridge
- Turn right up a close called The Green and carry on up a dirt track follow the track and on your right you should see the allotments.

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 Carry on down the track and, again, on your right you should pass the church and grave yard. Turn left and on your left is the Bird in Hand pub.

- The pub is next to a 900 yr old cross which was originally a wooden Saxon cross but was pulled down by Oliver Cromwell and replaced with stone.
- Turn right back onto the Main Road, follow the main road and you should come across the village hall (on your left) carry on down the hill and you should find Cinders Lane on your right follow that for about half a mile and again on your right there should be a public footpath sign.
- Turn onto that and go through a gate onto a big field follow the path straight across the field to a next gate-go through that next gate (warning there are cows that may charge in the next two fields so please take precaution !!!)
- Follow the path straight across the next field into the next field (there are obvious signs where the gate is) then follow in a slanted line towards the houses and count to a second gate and go through it. Follow the concrete path onto a road and cross over to Warton lane.
- Follow the path past Orchard Close and past the turning to Newton Regis on the right.

- You should see the (Tudor) Bishops
  Farm House and on the left you will
  see Austrey Manor House
  (Georgian) carry on until you get to
  the cross roads.
- Cross over the road then go straight on down a short road called Appleby Hill then turn right up a road called Windmill Lane walk up there and turn left at the first turning down a row of garages to Holy bank park. Go into the park.
- Walk up a concrete path up a small hill past two baby swings to a green gate go through the gate and turn left, walk down a small path, follow the path to a dead end road then turn right walk down a wider path then turn right again.
- Go down the hill then back to the start of Appleby Hill and turn left back onto the main road walk on and on the 3rd left turn back onto St Nicholas Close walk up the road turn left at the mini roundabout and walk back up the Close to Austrey School.





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