

# North Hagley Park Ride

**Start:** Car park off the Armagh Street bridge (extensive free car parking available, 2-hour limit)

**Distance:** 20 minutes upwards depending on number of stops, kids and pets along for the ride




**Difficulty:** Easy

**Ride Description:** A loop ride around North Hagley Park. Start from the main Botanic Gardens car park at the end of Armagh Street and follow the gravel path downstream to the Armagh Street Bridge. From here a easy shingle track follows the outside of the park beside Park Terrace and Harper Avenue and then turns along Deans Avenue, then Riccarton Avenue and on to the Bandsmen's Memorial Rotunda and Daffodil Lawn. The path then follows the river beside the hospital and across the bridge by the boatshed to Rolleston Avenue on the outside of the Botanic Gardens. Continue along Rolleston Avenue to the Armagh Street bridge and back to the car park at the beginning.

## Hints and Tips

- Short Cuts - there are a number of sealed paths on the way round the 5 km loop that take you back to the car park.
- Travel anti-clockwise around the park.
- There are toilets beside the car park.
- Watch out for golf balls when riding past the golf course.
- Pack a picnic for the Daffodil lawn.
- You can detour through the Botanic Gardens if you want to walk your bike (you are not allowed to ride your bike in the Botanic Gardens) or use the bike stands on Rolleston Avenue if you want to lock and leave your bike and go for a walk. The children's playground in the Botanic gardens is a great way to end your ride.
- The tracks and paths are multi-use and shared by walkers with dogs, joggers and people on bikes, scooters and rollerblades – make sure you make space and give way to others
- Stick to the tracks and paths as much as possible, unless you need to give way to other users.
- There is an information kiosk in the Botanic Gardens across the footbridge from the car park.

## Key

-  Bike Track
-  Forest Roads
-  Main Road

