



NESTON  
CYCLE TOWN

## Family Cycle Route No. 1 Neston Circular



11 miles (16km)



Suitable for older children  
with care



1.5 hours leisurely  
pace ride



Neston, Willaston,  
Ledsham, Burton,  
Little Neston

One third of this route is traffic free – otherwise, roads are generally quiet. Cycle hire available at Hooton Station and Neston Youth & Community Centre (adjacent to Station Road car park). Alternatively, you can bring your own bikes on the train, or there is free parking at the start of the ride.

Route Difficulty: **Easy**

## Neston Cycle Town

Enjoy the ride

We are a group of local people working together to support more cycling in and around the town. We aim to encourage the many cyclists who use Neston as part of their regular rides to stop and sample its growing number of cycle-friendly cafés, pubs and restaurants.

Things that we are up to at the moment include improving signage and bike security, organising cycle fairs and film shows, return to riding courses, bike hire, bike maintenance courses and recycling bikes as well as producing ride/route information.



Neston Cycle Town is a social movement: there are no committees or meetings (unless it's a group of us coming together to do stuff). For more information, visit our website: [www.nestoncycletown.co.uk](http://www.nestoncycletown.co.uk)

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[www.chestercyclecity.org](http://www.chestercyclecity.org)



## About the Route

### Neston Circular

The route starts and finishes in the car park on Station Road, Neston CH64 9WE. It uses National route 56 (the Wirral Way), local route 70, and National route 568. It goes through Hadlow Road old station in Willaston, preserved as it was in 1956, where there are public toilets available.



The route passes close to the RSPB Burton Mere Wetlands, and the new Visitor Reception is off Puddington Lane (See RSPB icon on map). It passes Burton Manor with its Walled Garden (see Flower icon on map), and the renowned Ness Gardens are close by (See Flower icon on map). Continuing towards Neston, at Quayside, Neston's coal-mining history is displayed on notice boards.

#### Route Grading:

The route is easy to ride. One third of the route is traffic-free with the remaining route on country lanes. There is one major road to cross on the A 540 using a Toucan crossing.

Users of this route do so entirely at their own risk and the organisations involved in its production cannot be held responsible for any omissions or errors in the guide.



For more information and to download all of the cycle rides that have been devised by Neston Cycle Town

[www.nestoncycletown.co.uk](http://www.nestoncycletown.co.uk)

# Let's make Neston a Cycle Town to be proud of!



Got some ideas about cycling? Great, let's us know and we'll try and join up with others who are thinking the same, help you find some resources if you need any or just to get the thing done.

For more information visit  
[www.nestoncycletoan.co.uk](http://www.nestoncycletoan.co.uk)

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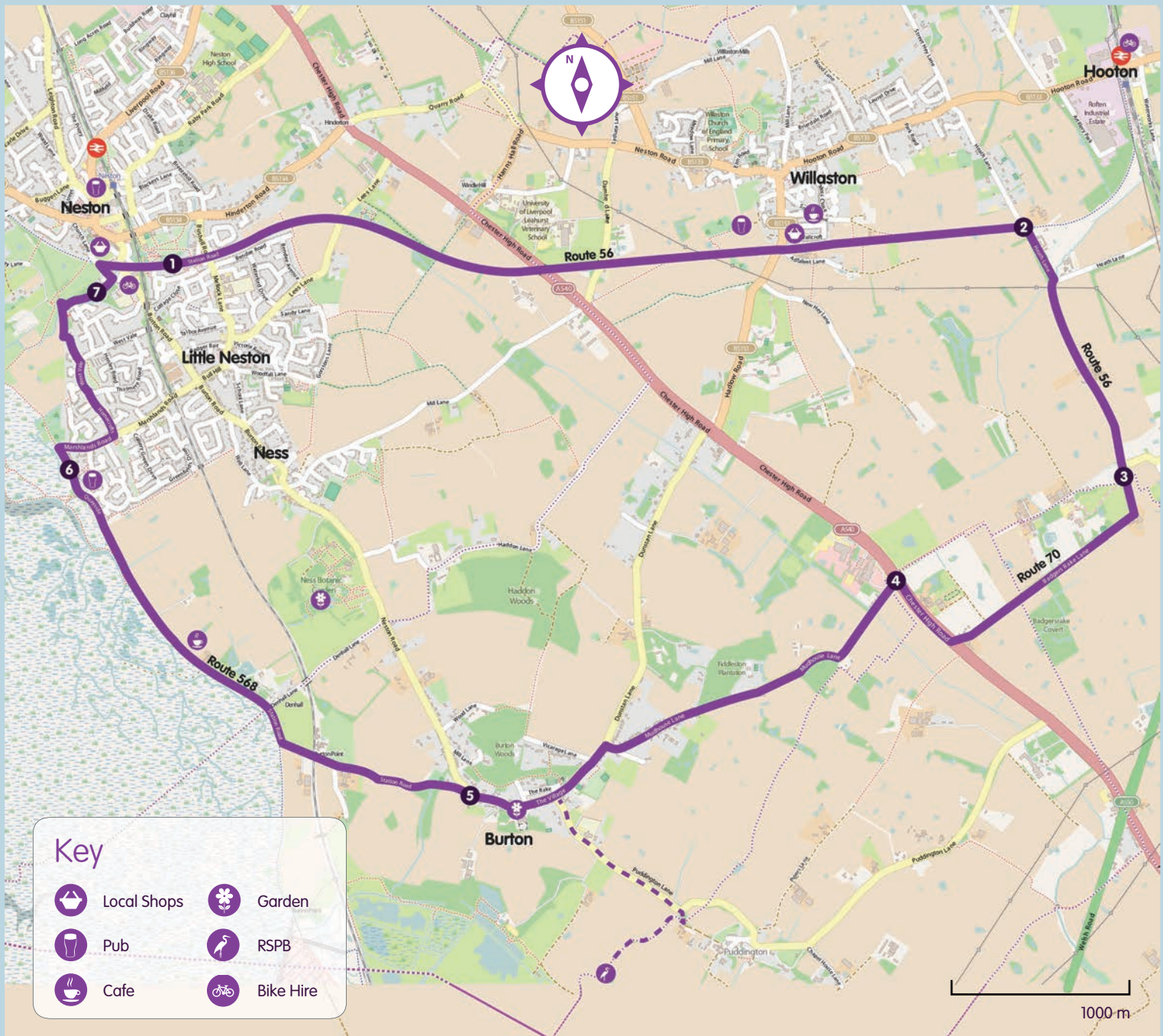
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## Start Here

Begin the ride at Station Road car park. Car parking is free here.

**1** Exit car park right, up Station Road (CH64 9WE) on NCN route 56 crossing Mellock Lane into the old railway cutting, (Wirral Way), and continue through to Hadlow Road old station.

**2** Exit Wirral Way left at Heath Lane before the road bridge, following route 56 signs turning right and right again on a blind bend, TAKE CARE. This takes you onto a farm track through Oak Farm. (BE AWARE OF FARM MACHINERY)

**3** Turn right on reaching Badgersrake Lane. You are now on cycle route 70.

**4** On reaching the A 540 turn immediately right onto a shared footpath. TAKE CARE, then cross the A 540 using the Toucan crossing then left into Mudhouse Lane. and left again through Burton Village, all on route 70; passing Burton Manor: the RSPB Burton Mere Wetlands is close by.

**5** On leaving Burton Village bear left into Station Road, still on route 70. (If you stay on the Neston Road for a mile you will reach Ness Gardens). Someway down Station Road stop and visit Hampstons Well on the left which was used centuries ago. On reaching the bottom of Station Road continue right and bear left, following route signs 568 with the marsh on your left. (Do not turn right into Denhall Lane).

**6** Continue on route 568, then right into Marshlands Road following the Route 568 signs through West Vale Estate to Flint Drive. Enter a small park, (Tanks Field) and follow the path.

**7** On leaving the park turn left into Church Lane under the bridge, (TAKE CARE - very narrow road which cars use). Turn left by the white cottage, The Nook onto the Wirral Way then left following signs Wirral Circular Route, back to the Station Road car park.

**Please note:** Some of the route is on shared-use traffic-free paths. Share with care. Please be courteous to other users including other cyclists, walkers and horse riders.

### Suggestion:

Why not visit Neston town centre as part of your ride. Neston is an historic market town with plenty of shopping and refreshment amenities. The Royal Chartered weekly market is held every Friday in the market square behind the Town Hall and Post Office, along with a popular Farmers' and Food Makers' Market on the first Saturday of the month.

Parkgate, a mile away along the Wirral Way towards the coast, is a bustling seafront parade with spectacular views over to North Wales and an abundance of cycle friendly cafés, pubs and restaurants.

Other cycle friendly refreshment stops include the pretty villages of Burton and Willaston, and along the Marsh Greenway at Denhall.