

We hope you have a great day!

Welcome to a weekend packed full of fun, free, family friendly events to showcase York's heritage. There are open days, walks and activities for everyone. Find your way around the York City Walls using our new map, and enjoy using our Festival App.

explore york



# YORK WALLS FESTIVAL



## Sat 10th Aug

### Fishergate Postern Tower 1

- Open day, 10am - 4pm.
- Fishergate Postern Tower is a 500-year-old watch tower that is usually closed to the public. Come and climb the spiral staircase and learn about the history of the tower and of York!
- Display of 2018 Archaeological Dig with physical findings and a digital 3D photographic model of the dig.
- Bookstall by Fox Lane Books with books for everyone (including Horrible Histories)
- There's even a medieval loo, come and see for yourself!

### Red Tower 2



- Open day, 11am - 6pm.
- 'Barbecue Plus' event, 3pm - 6pm. Barbecue Plus is a festival Barbecue open to all in the local community and visitors walking the walls! It is a barbecue, but with a difference. There are healthy options as well as traditional fare, plus a goat stew from Sierra Leone!
- Tea, coffee and cake
- Walls video on big screen. Want a rest from all of the walking? Come and sit down in the Red Tower with a cuppa and watch our two videos: the walls in 60 seconds, and Richard III clips filmed at Fishergate Postern Tower.

### Explore York 3

Make-a-Tile Workshop, 10am - 4pm. Ages 8-12. Free drop in session - no need to book. All equipment provided! Come and create a tile at the library. Be inspired by the walls and get creative with clay.

Found Fiction presents (9-4 Sat and 11-3.30 Sun)

**Writing Desk:**  
Having toured literary festivals across the UK, the Found Fiction Writing Desk comes to York Explore. Visit the desk and add to a short story one line at a time. Can you help co-write a masterpiece?

**Writing's on the Wall:**  
If these walls could talk, they'd be full of stories. And during the festival they will be. There will be an incomplete sentence on the wall on York Explore's library lawn. Finish it your way by filling in the blanks.

### Walk: Red Brick York 4

Meet at King's Manor at 2pm. Ian Tempest will lead a free 'Red Brick York' walk through the city streets and onto the walls, ending at the Red Tower.

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### Look out for: 4

**Pre-festival talks:**  
King's Manor, July 27th.  
Barry Crump will talk about what the walls meant to medieval York.



**A Medieval Computer Game in 2020:**  
Developed by www.yorgame.co.uk who have designed our Festival App.

**Postcards from the Edge:**  
A photography project featuring photos taken by people affected by homelessness.

**More events at:**  
**FPT:** www.yorkwalls.org.uk  
**Red Tower:** www.redtower.org.uk  
**Explore York:** www.exploreyork.org.uk

## Festival Information Point 5

- Festival Volunteers will be in Museum Gardens, 9:30am - 4:30pm each day.
- If you have any enquiries our stand will be near Multangular Tower - don't be shy!

## York Walls Activity Booklet



- 8 pages of fun-filled activities! Explore the walls with i-Spy, a word hunt, a maze and dot-to-dot.
- Pick up your copy at any of our venues: Fishergate Postern Tower, Red Tower, York Explore or Visit York.

## The Million Step Man

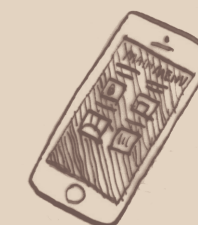
- Brian Mullins is walking 1,000,000 steps a month to raise money for York Mind.
  - He will be doing a 24-hour walking challenge around the walls, starting at 11am on the Saturday from in front of York Art Gallery.
  - At any of our venues, you can make a donation to guess how many steps Brian will walk - the closest will win a prize.
  - Grab a 'Hole in the Wall' activity sheet and walk the walls with Brian to get a certificate!
  - Make sure to donate to his Just Giving to show your support!
- [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/remember-breathe](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/remember-breathe)

## The River Foss Society

There will be a display of photos along the railings on Foss Islands Road, and a chance to help the team check how clean the river is.









## Mobile Phone App

- Download our mobile phone App 'York Walls Festival'.
- The App will help walkers of all ages to explore the walls. Developed by Yorgame, there will be a medieval quest for children and an audio-guide for adults each taking about one hour.
- Audio-guide starts from Fishergate Postern Tower on Piccadilly.
- Children's Quest starting from Museum Gardens.
- Take a step back in time through the App and see how the towers used to look!





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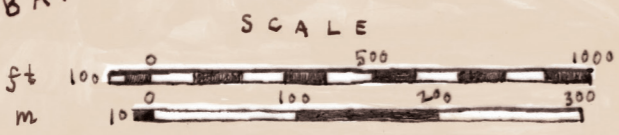
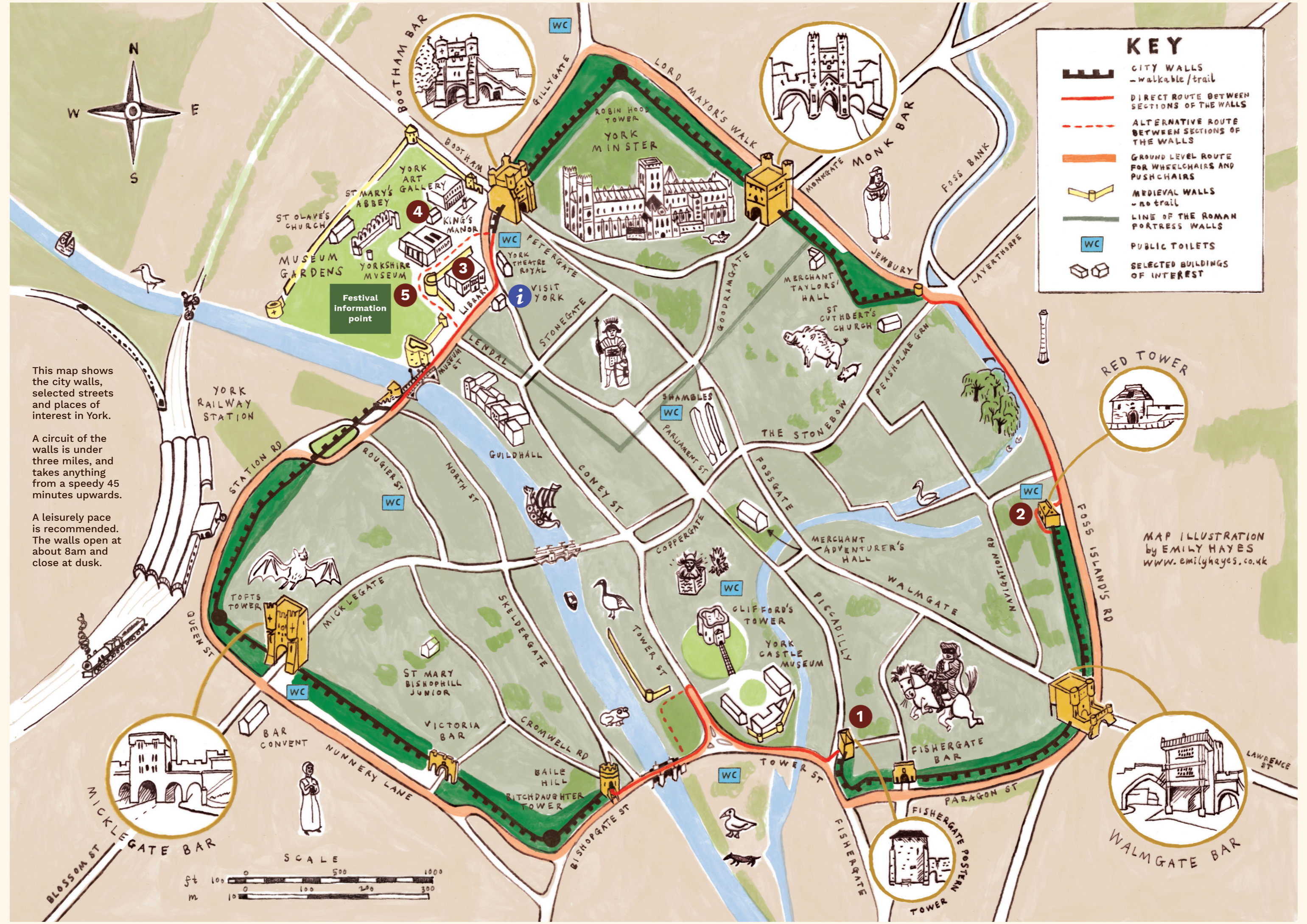
-  CITY WALLS  
- walkable / trail
-  DIRECT ROUTE BETWEEN SECTIONS OF THE WALLS
-  ALTERNATIVE ROUTE BETWEEN SECTIONS OF THE WALLS
-  GROUND LEVEL ROUTE FOR WHEELCHAIRS AND PUSHCHAIRS
-  MEDIEVAL WALLS - no trail
-  LINE OF THE ROMAN FORTRESS WALLS
-  PUBLIC TOILETS
-  SELECTED BUILDINGS OF INTEREST

This map shows the city walls, selected streets and places of interest in York.

A circuit of the walls is under three miles, and takes anything from a speedy 45 minutes upwards.

A leisurely pace is recommended. The walls open at about 8am and close at dusk.

MAP ILLUSTRATION  
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BLOSSOM ST  
MICKLEGATE BAR

FISHERGATE POSTERN TOWER  
WALMGATE BAR

NUNNERY LANE  
VICTORIA BAR

PARAGON ST  
FISHERGATE BAR

BISHOPGATE ST  
BITCHDAUGHTER TOWER

TOWER ST  
YORK CASTLE MUSEUM

FISHERGATE BAR

CLIFFORD'S TOWER  
YORK CASTLE MUSEUM

ST MARY BISHOPHILL JUNIOR

TOFTS TOWER

MERCHANT ADVENTURER'S HALL

SHAMBLES

GUILDHALL

MUSEUM GARDENS

LIBRARY

YORK MINSTER

YORKSHIRE MUSEUM

KING'S MANOR

ROBIN HOOD TOWER

ST OLAVE'S CHURCH

ST MARY'S ABBEY

JEW BURY

MERCHANT TAYLORS' HALL

ST CUTHBERT'S CHURCH

PARLIAMENT ST

THE STONEBOW

LENPALL

YORK THEATRE ROYAL

PETERGATE

YORK ART GALLERY

YORK MINSTER

BOOTHAM BAR

GILLYGATE

LORD MAYOR'S WALK

MONKREATE BAR

FOSS BANK

LAVERTHORPE

PEASHOLME GRN

ST CUTHBERT'S CHURCH

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