Waveney Ramblers East Suffolk Line 3 Derby Road to Ipswich

7.4 Miles OS Map: X 197 Track: **TM 15695 43820 GPX for SatNav** Updated: 2022-04-02

Risks: Orwell Crossing not safe in high winds. Urban road walking.

Parking in Ipswich is not so easy.

There are trains from Ipswich to Derby Road.

Perhaps use the train to get to the start point.

From Derby Road station, head south along Derby Road.

Turn right, west, along Rosehill Road.

Turn third left, south, along Alan Road.

Cross Felixstowe Road and continue south along Alan Road.

Head across Holywell Park to the SW corner using the Stour and Orwell Walk.

There are toilets in the park.

Exit the park and turn left, east, along cliff Lane.

At a bus shelter, turn right, south, onto a woodland footpath to Landseer Park.

Head S, E, S, E, SE along this path keeping close to houses, left.

Exit Landseer Park near the SE corner into Raeburn Road. Head SW.

Cross Landseer Road and continue SW along Raeburn Road.

At the Orwell Country Park entrance head south along Gainsborough Road.

At the earliest opportunity, use the parallel footpaths right of the road.

Stay close to the road though.

Close to the Orwell Bridge, head up the embankment to the A14.

If there are high winds, abort the walk.

Cross the Orwell, west. Stay on the safe side of the crash barriers.

Watch out for litter, discarded tyres, exhausts, etc.

There are fine views towards Ipswich.

Escape from the A14 and head down a steep bank.

Turn right, to cross under the A14.

Head south to the Suffolk Food Hall, possibly a good place for a break.

Turn left, east, to the B1456.

Turn right, SE, along the B1456 for a few metres.

At the lay-by, turn left, north, and follow the riverside path.

Cross under the A14 again and head past boatyards to the A137.

Head 1km north along the A137. Unpleasant and busy.

At the roundabout, turn right, NE.

Zigzag through the litter strewn estate to reach the river walk.

Follow the New Cut waterway to a road bridge. Cross the river, north.

Turn left, west, along the Gipping Valley River Path, river left.

At the next road bridge, go up the steps and head south to the Railway Station.

