

# Telford Town Park Heritage Trail

## Welcome to Telford Town Park Heritage Trail.

This leaflet will guide you around the trail, where you can learn about the industry that once thrived in this area. This was a landscape of chimneys, brickworks, iron smelting furnaces, coal collieries, a mineral railway and canal.







Although most of this landscape has gone, remnants and clues to the industrial activity remain. In recent years archaeological surveys and restoration works have enabled us to find out more.

Some of that information is to be found on a number of Trail Interest Point panels sited around the park. Each contains a metal plate from which you can take rubbings, so you may like to bring some crayons and paper.

**Please observe the park code and respect the environment.**

## Park code

We hope you enjoy your visit to Telford Town Park. Help to protect your park and enjoy your visit by following this simple Park code:

-  Please be respectful to all park users which includes walkers, runners, cyclists and horse riders.
-  Please dispose of litter responsibly in the bins provided or by taking your litter home.
-  Please supervise your child at all times.
-  Please keep your dog under control and use the litter bins provided for dog waste.
-  Please do not swim in the lakes and pools.
-  Please do not ride motorbikes through the park; this will be reported to the Police.

**In emergencies please call 999 or contact the Visitor Centre on 01952 382340**



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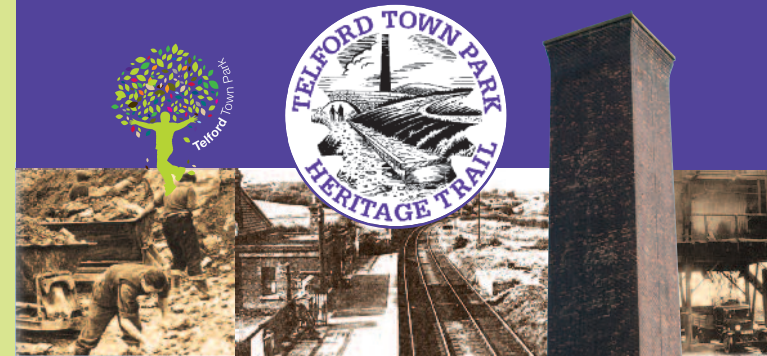
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**The map below shows the route of the Heritage Trail around the park.**

**Visitor Centre**

Chelsea Gardens  
Adventure Golf  
Teeptage Activity Area  
Ropes Course  
QEII Arena  
Wonderland

**Randlay Brickworks with the Mineral Railway in the foreground**

Withy Pool  
Randlay Pool  
Blue Pool  
Stirchley Chimney  
Twin Tracks  
Jubilee Column  
Fletcher's Pool  
Grange Pool  
Crannog

Telford Hornets RFC  
Hinkshay Pools  
Railway Platform  
The Elms Football Pitches  
Nature Walk  
Southall Pool

**Stone Row**

A single terrace of six workers' cottages stood here.



**Stone Row**

**Stirchley Forge and Rolling Mills**

The archaeological remains of a forge and Rolling Mill can be found here. Close by was Hinkshay Village which housed some of the workers.

**Hinkshay Pools**

Running alongside one of the pools is a small length of the original Coalport branch of the Shropshire Canal.

**Key**

- Parking
- Toilets
- Viewpoint
- Trail interest point
- Picnic area
- Steps
- Bridge
- Nature Trail
- Heritage Trail
- Local Nature Reserve boundary

**Railway Platform**

Site of Stirchley Station on the Coalport branch of the London and North Western railway line. This became the Stirchley and Dawley Station.



**Stirchley Station platform**



**Randlay Brickworks with the Mineral Railway in the foreground**

**Randlay Brickworks**

This was the site of coal mining and the Randlay Brickworks. Remnants of the buildings survive in the woodland.

**Mineral Railway**

This railway was built to carry raw materials and goods to and from the industrial works in the park area.

**Blue Pool**

The pool was once a quarry serving the nearby Randlay Brickworks

**Stirchley Chimney**

An iconic reminder of the industry that once existed here, standing next to the Stirchley Furnaces.

**Silkin Way Learning Zone**

The Silkin Way runs all the way to Ironbridge, the original route of the Coalport Branch of the London and North Western railway line.

**Slag Works**

The large slabs you see here are the remains of the Slag Works. Slag is a by-product of the smelting process.



**Slag crushing at Stirchley**

