

Castletown Heritage's Guided walk along the Silverburn – At 2pm on 30 August 2025

Led by Blue Badge Guide Susan Woolard.

- We will meet outside the cafe, beside the lake at Silverdale for a 2pm start.
- Parking in the car park on the A3 main road (Ballamodha) is recommended.
- There is a footpath from the car park down to the lake.
- The walk will be a figure of 8 route along the river, a country lane, past the airport, industrial estate and church, with about ¼ mile of main road.
- We will see evidence of industry old and new, historic buildings and structures, flora and fauna and maybe the steam train.
- We'll talk about Silverdale, how the river was used at different times in the past and the new industries, as well as Rushen Abbey and the lands around.
- The route is 4.5 miles long, is flat and fairly even. There are no steep drops. However, there is a stile, rough ground and steps over a small bridge, so is not suitable for buggies.
- It is suitable for friendly dogs on leads.
- There are toilets at the start, middle and end of the route. Refreshments can be purchased at Silverdale cafe.
- The track may be muddy in places and may have overhanging plants including nettles, so long trousers and trainers/ boots are recommended.
- Walkers should wear clothing to suit the weather (sunhats or umbrellas!) and bring water.
- We anticipate the walk will take about 2½ hours, depending on numbers.
- If you wish to leave part way through, e.g. to continue alongside the river to Castletown, or to stop at the cafe in Ballasalla, that's fine!



There is no charge for the walk, but walkers are invited to make donations to Castletown Heritage (cash or card).