CLIFTON TO ROE GREEN
WALK 4 3M/6KM about 1.5 hours

Whilst fairly near motorways for much of its length, this short section introduces the walker to quiet and peaceful areas of Salford.

With your back to St Anne's Church, cross the main road and turn right. Turn left by the letterbox alongside Clifton Court down Moss Colliery Road. At the end of Moss Colliery Road continue straight ahead, where the road becomes a lane, passing some cottages on the right. Continue straight ahead along the path until you reach a farm on the right. Turn left here alongside a field by woods. Follow the path and soon come to a T junction by a broken stile. Turn left here towards the footbridge over the M62 motorway. On the other side of the motorway go down the steps to the right. Follow the path right around the edge of the field which runs alongside the motorway. Continue straight ahead until you come to a farmyard, which is used as a storage for caravans. Cross the farmyard, heading straight ahead to the gate. Continue out of the gate straight ahead onto a wide tarmac lane. Follow the lane to its end and cross the A6, turning right and walking towards the motorway bridge ahead.
Turn left into Wardley Hall Road just before the motorway. Wardley Hall at the end of the road is the residence of the Bishop of Salford.
(You might like to walk down to view this lovely ancient hall, a grade 1 listed building.)
Turn left before the road to the hall and walk down to the cemetery. (*There are toilets here.)* Turn left just before the cemetery gates along a path which goes round the edge of the cemetery and emerges onto the East Lancashire Road (A580).
(If you go into the cemetery, where there are benches and water taps, be aware there is no exit at the far end!)
Turn right and go 200m to cross the A580 at the traffic lights which control the motorway slip road and the dual carriageway. Then turn left to reach the final motorway slip road and cross over. Go over the stile ahead and take the short path to cross another stile and enter Wardley Woods.

Aug 2026 ***There is building work ongoing here so the route may be temporarily closed. An alternative is to return to the A580, turn left and walk alongside, under the motorway bridge, carefully crossing the off slip road, then continue onwards. After 200m there is a set of steps on the left. Go down here and through the gate to enter Lyon Grove. At the end turn right and then left down the road passing the playground to emerge by the Cup and Crumb.***

Turn left in the woods and continue for 200m to a fork just past a pond on your left. Turn right here and soon cross over a small stream by a long narrow stone bridge. Then cross another stream by a wider stone bridge and go up a short slope and in 75m reach a path crossing. Turn right here to reach a gate leading out of the wood. You are now in Hawthorne Drive.

Go ahead and where Hawthorne Drive turns sharply to the left keep straight forward on a path with the motorway high up on your right. After 100m, ignoring a cul-de-sac on your left, drop down to Greenleach Lane. Turn right here, passing under the motorway and cross the Lane at the refuge. It is 200m to Roe Green Post Office, Cup and Crumb cafe and the 20 bus stop.

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