

Seeley's Gully walk, 2012

This walk takes in the newly completed paths through Seeley's gully emerging at the bottom of Whyte St. Specific instructions for negotiating the gully part of the walk are given below, followed by a summary of the whole walk. Allow 60 to 90 minutes for the round trip.

Park in Armagh St and start the walk at the cul-de-sac end

Seeley's Gully path:

- [Enter at the far entrance, furthest from the Seeley's Gully signpost.
- [Go down the steps and follow the gravel path over the bridge.
- [Turn right and follow the older, lightly gravelled path over several minor culvert crossings (these are boardwalk style but have no railings)
- [At the T-junction, turn to the right and cross the small bridge with a single hand rail (if you go left on the poorly formed path you will get into some very swampy ground!)
- [Just **before** the next visible bridge (which has a single handrail on the right side), turn to the **left**, and you will almost immediately cross another small bridge with its handrail on the left.
- [Proceed along this path, avoiding the next bridge on the left which has two rails. The main path heads slightly to the right and goes over a final bridge with two rails, then leads up to connect with the bottom of Whyte St

On the return journey:

- [Enter the path from Whyte St.
- [Go over the bridge and follow the path, ignoring the bridge on the right hand side of the path.
- [Take the bridge leading to the left. (It has a rail on its right hand side.)
- [Continue along the path which emerges at the upper entrance on Armagh St.

The overall walk will be:

Armagh St through Seeley's Gully to Whyte St, **using the specific instructions given above.**

Up Whyte St to Te Aroha St

Turn left into Te Aroha St, and cross Grey St with extreme caution at the roundabout.

Proceed down Te Aroha St, and turn right into Myrtle St.

At the end of Myrtle St, go under River Rd using the "secret underpass" and emerge on the river side of River Rd.

Proceed down River Rd, cross Opoia Rd and enter Parana Park from Riro St.

Walk through Parana Park, diverting to admire the newly refurbished children's' playground.

Cross River Rd (CAUTION) at the steps which lead up to Dawson St. Climb the steps and proceed down Dawson St to Hamilton East School.

We will then go through the school grounds and across their playing field to emerge on Grey St at the bottom of the dip.

Head left up Grey St and again cross with caution at the roundabout.

Proceed down Te Aroha St and turn right into Whyte St.

Enter the gully path at the end of Whyte Street and follow the specific gully path instructions to emerge in Armagh St at our starting point.