

## Living Streets Walk, October 2013, Resthills Park – Houchens Rd – Exeter Park

Park in McDonald Rd, off Lambert Cres, which runs down beside the Glenview Shopping Mall.

Head up Resthills Cres and enter Resthills Park at the bend in the road.

Proceed across the grass, keeping to the right-hand side of the park until you connect with the paved path that proceeds up the hill.

Keep following the path until you reach the carpark and club rooms for the rugby club. Proceed alongside the clubrooms and follow the path out to the parking lot at the end of John Webb Drive.

Go down through the parking lot, turn left into the open playing fields, and follow the edge of the playing fields until you reach the crossing into Aloma Way.

Go to the end of Aloma Way and turn right into John Webb Drive.

At the Houchens Rd intersection, turn right and proceed up to the top of the hill, just past the retreat centre. At the top of the hill you may be lucky enough to see the small herd of Kaimanawa horses that live on the right hand side of the road.

Turn round and cross the road to go past the entrance to the Houchen House Retreat Centre.

Turn right into Acacia Cres. Just before Acacia Cres meets Houchens Rd again, there is a small grass path on the right, which leads down through Exeter Park. This is a small, steep, grassed area recently planted with magnolias. Head down through this park and turn left onto Exeter Street.

At the intersection of Exeter and Houchens, turn left, then almost immediately cross the road to turn right into Sunnyhills Ave.

As you near the top of Sunnyhills Ave there is an entrance to Resthills Park on the right. Head down the path into the park and proceed straight across past the grove of trees planted in the low-lying central area.

You will cross the paved path we used coming in, but proceed straight ahead to emerge on Macmurdo Ave instead. Turn right into Macmurdo, which leads directly back to our starting point in Macdonald Rd.