

WALKING in Newbury

Useful Contacts

This map (and other walking and cycling maps) can be found on the West Berkshire Council Website www.westberks.gov.uk/activetravel or call **01635 519505**

Ramblers - Britain's biggest walking charity, working for over 70 years to promote walking and to improve conditions for everyone who walks in the UK.

The Mid Berkshire branch of the organisation can be contacted via www.mbra.org.uk

Newbury Town Council www.newbury.gov.uk, towncouncil@newbury.gov.uk or call **01635 35486**

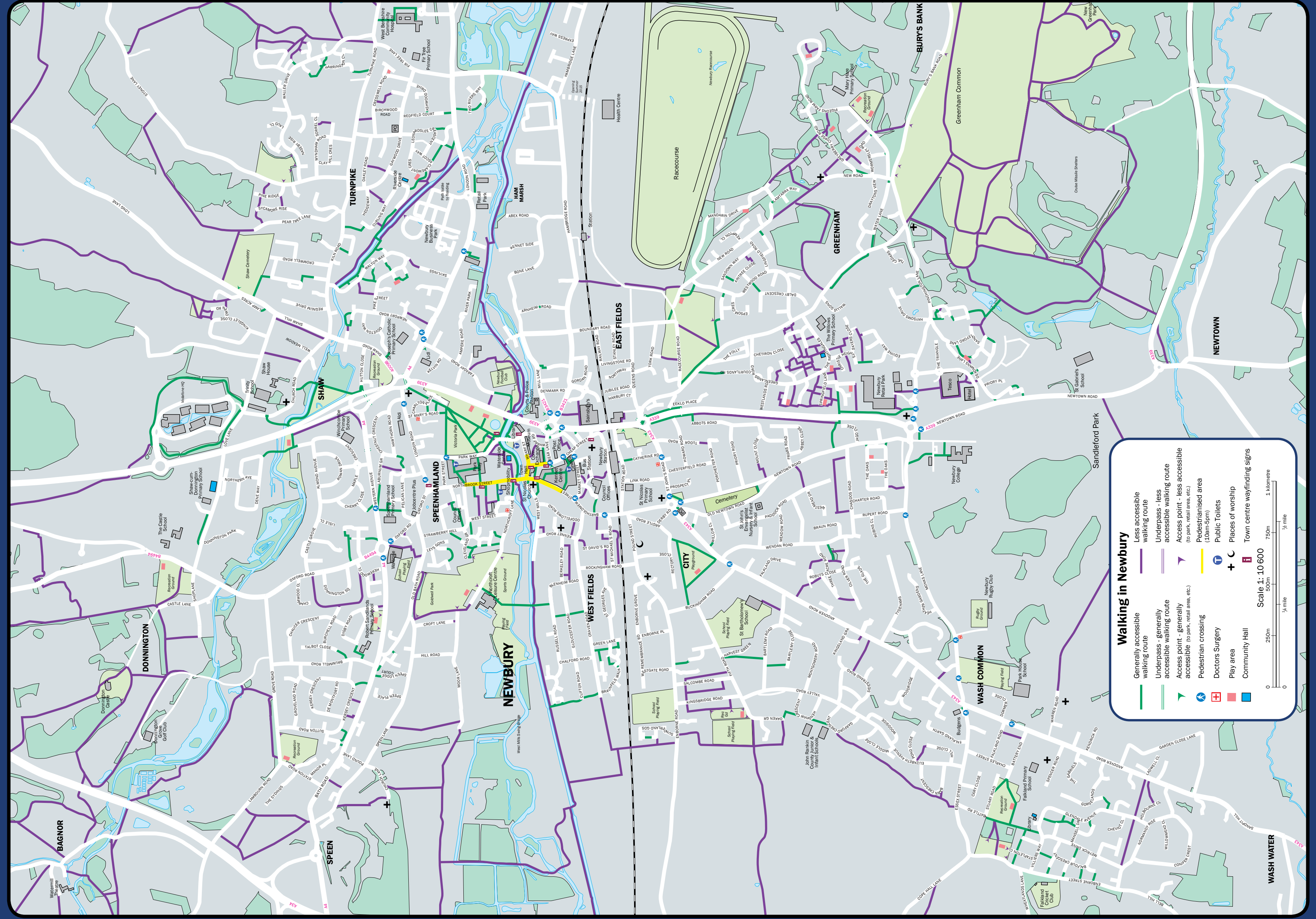
Living Streets - A charity which work on practical projects to create safe, vibrant and healthier streets for all. www.livingstreets.org.uk or **020 7377 4900**

Buses - For further information see www.westberks.gov.uk/transport. The District-wide Transport Guide is available from the Council.

Travel information is available from Traveline www.traveline.info or call **0871 200 2233** or text **84268**

Streetcare - For all enquiries relating to roads, paths, refuse, recycling, abandoned vehicles and general countryside issues contact streetcare by email at customerservices@westberks.gov.uk or call **01635 519080**

If you have any comments or require this information in an alternative format or translation, please call **01635 519505** and ask for the Transport Policy Team. lp@westberks.gov.uk



This Map and You

Walk to school, the shops or places of work – improve your health, your mind and your environment.

This map shows a network of walking routes and shortcuts in and around Newbury which link into the more major routes.

The map shows walking routes in two different ways:

- Dark Green for generally accessible walking routes. These will normally have hard surfaces and be free from major obstacles. These routes should be accessible for pushchairs and wheelchairs
- Purple for less accessible walking routes. These could be un surfaced or muddy, or may include steps or difficult slopes, which may be unsuitable for pushchairs or wheelchairs

Walking is the most sustainable form of transport so don't forget – if you're not going far – forget the car.

Things to See

Newbury has a long and interesting history due to its strategic position on a crossing of the River Kennet, with settlement beginning in the middle stone age (about 7000BC).

Newbury played a role in the English Civil War with major battles in 1643 and 1644. **Donnington Castle**, the ruins of which can be visited today, was a Royalist stronghold.

From the middle ages until the early 18th Century, there was a flourishing woollen cloth industry. The Tourist Information office is housed in **The Granary**, with Newbury Museum (closed for refurbishment until 2014) in the **Old Cloth Hall**.

Greenham Common was a key air base during the Second World War with gliders for the Normandy Landings being built here and tested locally. During the Cold War cruise missiles were stationed here which lead to many years of protests centres on the Peace Women's camps.

Walking the way to Health

Led walks run regularly from a number of locations across West Berkshire. The walks are free and need no special equipment. For more information contact the Health Walks coordinator on **01635 519679** or walking@westberks.gov.uk



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Care should be taken on all routes. The Highway Code and the usual rules of road safety should be observed. Extreme caution is advised when near water and railway lines, especially with young children. Whilst we try to ensure the accuracy of all routes, we do not accept liability for any use made by you of them. The routes are intended as a guide only, neither the Council nor any officer or agent of the Council will be legally responsible for any inaccuracies. Routes and paths shown on the map are not necessarily rights of way. Some routes may only be open during business hours of the premises they serve.