

# **Route 4** The Nene Park Loop

7miles / 11km Approx. 1hr

### The Nene Park Loop

This 7 mile route starts in the city centre and follows the Nene Valley Railway before meandering through the Woodston Ponds Nature **Reserve and entering Ferry Meadows Country** Park. The return route takes you across Orton Mere, before cycling through the Sculpture Park and the Boardwalks Nature Reserve.

This route is completely off-road and therefore suitable for families and inexperienced cyclists. At an average speed (8 mph) most cyclists will take approximately one hour to complete the route (excluding breaks etc).







Cyclepath through Ferry Meadows

# MEADOWS



### **Points of Interest**

Woodston Ponds Nature Reserve - This is the site of old settling ponds that have developed into a mixture of reedbeds, open water and riverside vegetation. The pools and channels within the reedbeds are home to Great Crested Newts and some uncommon species of water beetle. Herons can be regularly seen patrolling the edges of the lake while the open water is used by many

Nene Valley Railway – adjacent to you for much of your journey is the Nene Valley Railway, a 7.5 mile preserved railway, which runs from Peterborough Nene Valley to Yarwell Junction, calling at Orton Mere, Ferry Mead ows and Wansford. The Railway has even been used as a film set for Hollywood movies, including James Bond's 'Golden Eye'.

Peterborough Sculpture Park – is an imaginative place for both children and adults to visit located near the Rowing Course on Thorpe Meadows. This outdoor art gallery is a wonderful place to spend a summer afternoon - the abstract nature of many of the works gives plenty of scope for the imagination and the sculptures can be touched and even climbed on by children.

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### Cycle Map

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training for children and adults including free adult cycle training

Peterborough City Council offer

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