



Short Stroll 11 Trehafren Hilltop Circuit

0.6 miles 15 minutes

This walk makes an anticlockwise circuit on Trehafren Hill, taking in splendid views of town and country from the summit. It can be accessed from any of the six formal entrances to the hill shown on the map. There are also some additional rough paths up to the north side of the hill used by children or animals. Watch out for cyclists as there is also a mountain bike trail here.

For our description, the walk starts at the gate at the top of the gravelled vehicular access track that leads to the fence enclosing the underground water storage facility at the top of Trehafren Hill. Go along the path to the right of this fence and through the hedge ahead on to the top of the ridge (SO 100911). Do not take the lower gravel path which is the bike trail, it runs parallel to the footpath at this point. At the summit you are above the community orchard, about 100 yards below you on the left. There are great views in all directions from here. Carry on along the ridge and down through another gap in the hedge straight ahead. Cross the cycle track and follow it on the right then when the path runs out walk down the cycle track for a few metres until it turns left. You carry straight ahead on the grassy track which then meets a concrete path which you follow downhill and around to the left.

This brings you to one of the access gates but when you see the gate, leave the concrete and take the grassy path to your left. If you miss this track and arrive at the gate, take the grassy track to the left just before the gate and this will soon join the higher track. Follow the path through the trees. Once through the trees you pass the fruit trees and the notice board of the community orchard, 'Incredible Edible Newtown'. Continue along this path through a few more mature trees until you reach the open grassland. Turn left and follow the path that winds up the hill. You will see the football ground and the allotments below you to the right. Near the top of the hill you again cross the cycle track and continue back to the start at the gateway and the wide vehicular access track.

