

**A trail connecting people, place and flood resilience.**

Co-designed with communities, schools and artists, the trail uses art, storytelling and digital tools to reveal how upstream and downstream are connected — and how nature-based solutions are helping York adapt to a changing climate.

**Start anywhere along the river.**

Use the map to explore the York rivers trail at your own pace – one place or several along the way. Each stop reveals a different story about how water shapes the city.

Access varies by stop. Accessible map and visit information: [www.york.gov.uk/YorkRiversTrail](http://www.york.gov.uk/YorkRiversTrail)



# Homestead Park

**1** YO30

Trees, planting, and wildlife — carefully managed along the river, connecting upstream.

- Gateway to Clifton Ings**  
flood meadow, rare Tansy beetle
- Trees for the future**  
chosen for changing conditions

# Leeman Park

**2** YO26

Flood defences, Marygate Landing, and the Minster — framed along the river.

- Upstream**  
trees and the river winding through the landscape
- Once a busy route**  
boats carried wool and stone into York

# Museum Gardens

**3** YO1

A flood bank, a riverside path, and 2,000 years of history.

- A raised flood bank**  
helping protect nearby streets and homes
- Nature and history together**  
trees and planting shaped with care

# North Street Gardens

**4** YO1

A floating ecosystem and a garden that floods by design.

- Shaped by local people**  
for people and nature
- Flood gates close when the river rises**  
protecting nearby streets

The York rivers trail is delivered by City of York Council, with Ousewem as project originator, working with a growing network of cultural, education and community partners.

This project is funded by Defra as part of the £200 million Flood and Coastal Innovation Programmes which is managed by the Environment Agency. The programmes will drive innovation in flood and coastal resilience and adaptation to a changing climate.

**Explore it your way.  
Discover more.  
Be part of the story.**



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# Tower Gardens



Clifford's Tower, the river, and a city built on trade.



**King's and Queen's Staith**  
historic landing places for trade



**Nearby, rivers meet**  
shaping the city past and present

# Rowntree Park



Nature, memorials, and a climate-ready future unfolding.



**A park shaped by water**  
helping slow the river while supporting wildlife



**A shared space**  
for reflection, rest and living with the river

# Get involved!



## Collect your sticker from:

Visit York Visitor Information Centre  
21 Parliament Street  
York  
YO1 8SG

... after exploring the route.

**Unlock digital stickers** — take part in **'Talk to the river'** to collect digital stickers along the way.

**Look out for the viewing frames at Leeman Park and Tower Gardens** — moments to pause, reflect and see the river differently.

**You can also share your view of the river and the trail using #Yorkriverstrail** — see how others are experiencing it.

# Talk to the river

Scan the QR codes at each stop to start a conversation — uncovering stories, questions and connections along the way.

Scan me



or text **Hello River 13**  
to +447782 219 370

# York's rivers, York's people, York's stories.

Explore along the Ouse.

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