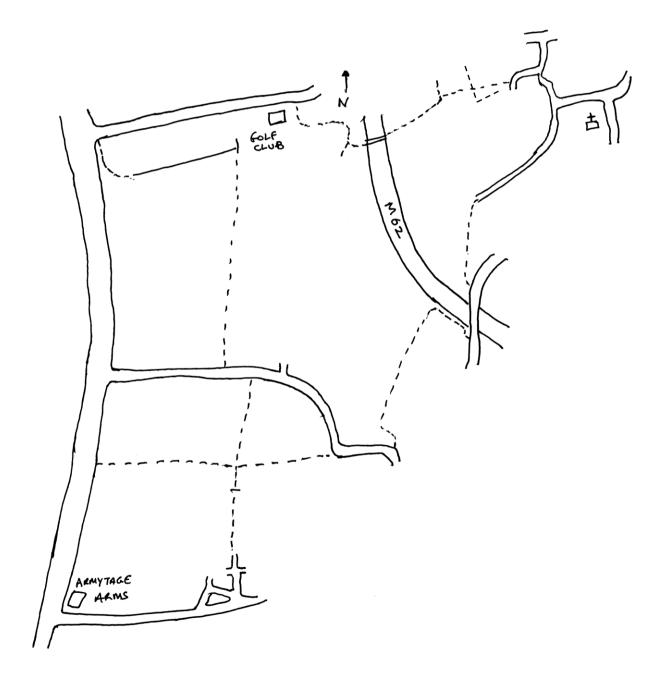
## 'Hidden Clifton' walk

## Clifton Circle

 $4\frac{3}{4}$  miles (boots - possibly muddy)

| Location        | Feature   |
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| Start - Clifton | Willow Valley Golf Club HD6 4JB<br>01274 878624<br>off A643 |





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From car park, turn left on access road, down to meet main road.

On left is footpath sign. Go through stile and then left onto golf course. Keep left, follow track up to footpath sign on right, pointing to Clifton.

Follow this down across grassed areas, following marker posts almost in a straight line. Go over stile at bottom, onto cross track. \* or \*\*

\* If dry, turn left for approx 100 yards then right across short grassy area (possibly muddy) and small bridge into narrow strip beside a field.

note remains of strip farming (narrow subsistence farm fields). Ascend narrow track (possibly muddy). At stile at cross track, go left along path to emerge at a wider track at a bend. Go half-right, on track to next right-hand bend. Here go left along narrow path into golf course.

\*\* If wet, go left and continue ahead as path bottoms, ignore path from left. Keep ahead until path bends right and climbs. Go up, pass left bend. Continue to right-hand bend. Here go left along narrow path into golf course.

| Location           | Feature  |
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| directions         | * / ** Head across golf course, following marker posts, almost in a straight line, angle slight right. |
| St Peter's Church. | When motorway reached, turn right alongside to   |
| Dating from 12c.   | emerge at road bridge across motorway.   |
| Patrick Bronté     |  |
| was once chaplain  | Turn left for short distance to signpost left into   |
| here. Father of    | field. Angle right across and up. At top go right,   |
| authoress Emily    | joining farm track (besides hen houses). Follow  |
| (Wuthering         | track along towards Hartshead church.  |

Heights),
Charlotte (Jane
Eyre) and Anne
(Tenants of
Wildfell Hall).
Ancient Yew tree;
reputed to be
used to fashion
bow for Robin
Hood.
Note village
stocks and (horse)
mounting block at
road.

At left-hand bend go right towards church on Church Farm drive [ok per Robert Newton, owner 12.5.10] and through gate into churchyard (close gate). View historical connections then continue.

Exit churchyard onto main road, turn left and left again along Ladywell Lane.

\* If dry, go straight ahead at footpath sign along wall of house. At end, go slight left across field to stile then across field to stile alongside right-hand wall of farmhouse. Then right along access lane to bend.

## \*\* If wet,

Go right, down winding track, then next left on metalled farm access, to bend.

| directions    | * / ** At bend, go right through stile into field and along hedge on left to stile. Go over and left down metalled road past gas pumping station and on towards motorway. (This part is often muddy)  Go over motorway bridge and turn right down to junction of tracks. Go ahead, up lane on right, beside motorway. Keep on right-hand lane back to golf club. |
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| End - Clifton | Willow Valley Golf Club<br>01274 878624  |

