

W1806. Yarmouth to Alum Bay.

This is another coastal walk, with spectacular views of the Needles as your reward.

You can start from any of the Yarmouth hostelrys (see map in your programme), walking along the coast path over the Yar bridge. Simply follow the blue Coastal Path signs throughout. The first item of interest is the walk through Fort Victoria Country Park. It's worth the diversion to Fort Victoria itself if you have time (or need a comfort break) and the views from Sconce point overlooking Hurst Castle on the other side of the Solent.

The next part of the path meanders beside and through some chalet parks, before you come to Colwell Bay. Some nice looking beach huts with nice prices to go with them. The coast path between Colwell and Totland has recently been re-opened follow erosion but already you can see where mother nature is again trying to wreak havoc with the path.

Coming into Totland Bay, the **Waterfront** just beyond the pier is taking place this year. (for those wishing an early bus back, you will need to go on to the Broadway, the main street, in Totland itself.

For those with able legs, carry on following the coastal path signs over Headon Warren. Keep to the main path and follow the obvious signs, after what seems an eternity, suddenly the Needles appear. In my opinion, the vista here is much better than from Alum Bay itself.

Carefully follow follows the path down to the Needles Landmark Attraction and to **Marconi's Bar** and the returning buses.