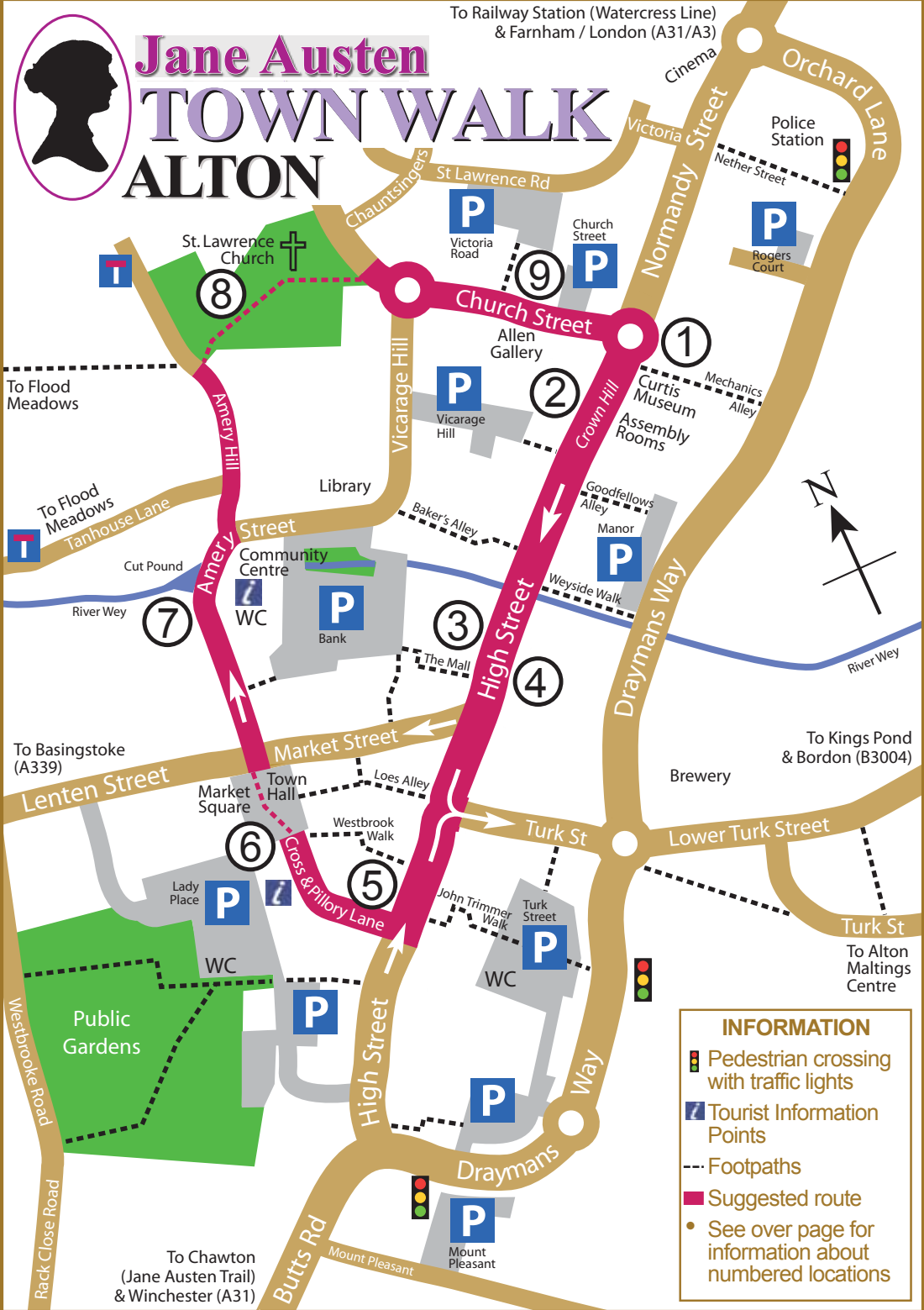




# Jane Austen TOWN WALK ALTON

To Railway Station (Watercress Line)  
& Farnham / London (A31/A3)



**INFORMATION**

- Pedestrian crossing with traffic lights
- Tourist Information Points
- Footpaths
- Suggested route
- See over page for information about numbered locations

To Flood Meadows

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To Basingstoke (A339)

To Kings Pond & Bordon (B3004)

To Chawton (Jane Austen Trail) & Winchester (A31)

Mount Pleasant

Westbrook Walk

Loes Alley

John Trimmer Walk

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St. Lawrence Church

Allen Gallery

Library

Community Centre

Market Square

Lady Place

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## 1 1 HIGH STREET (Hill House)

Jane Austen's sister-in-law records dining here with Jane and Rebecca Parker Terry after their friend's husband William died.



## 2 4, 6 & 10 HIGH STREET

4: Home of William Curtis, Jane Austen's doctor whom she called her 'Alton Apothary'.  
6: Home of James Battin Coulthard whose father had been a tenant of Chawton House prior to his death in 1811. The family were mentioned in Jane's letters.

10: Site of the Bank of (Henry) Austen, Gray and Vincent between 1806 and 1812. Henry Austen was one of Jane's brothers and the Bank handled some of Jane's letters.



## 3 40 & 42 HIGH STREET

40: Home of Richard Marshall who leased Wyards from Winchester College and sub-let part of the house to the Lefroys, Jane's niece and her husband.  
42: Home of Clement family who were acquaintances of the Austens & related by marriage to Gilbert White's family.



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## 9 GEALES ALMS HOUSES

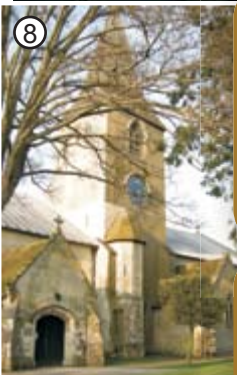
In 1653 Thomas Geale gave these cottages for the use of eight poor people who were born in Alton. They had changed little by the early 19th century and are now administered by the Alton United Charities.



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## 4 SWAN HOTEL & 31-33 HIGH STREET

Swan: Jane used Collyer's coach which left from this coaching inn to travel to London. 31-33 were the premises of B.H. Coleby draper from where Jane ordered a cloak.



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## 8 ST. LAWRENCE'S CHURCH & CHURCHYARD

Jane's brother Henry and Benjamin Lefroy, the husband of her niece Anna, both officiated here between 1817 and 1818. Several babies belonging to family and friends of Jane were baptised in the old font.



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## 5 LANSDOWNE HOUSE (74 High Street)

The home of Mr. Newman, apothecary and surgeon whom Jane visited with a friend in 1811 and afterwards wrote some humorous verse about the visit.



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## 7 CUT POUND & RIVER WEY

Jane's brother, Edward Austen/Knight became Lord of the Manor of Alton Eastbrook and the River Wey is its boundary with Alton Westbrook.



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## 6 MARKET PLACE & TOWN HALL

The market was still held here every Saturday in Jane Austen's time. The Town Hall was erected in 1813, paid for by public subscription.