



Totnes Garden Trail

The trail leads to three new gardens in Totnes town centre, linked by Leechwell Lane.

They are part of a network of open spaces created by community groups and local trusts in partnership with South Hams District Council.





Starting at the Civic Market Square, pass beneath the Civic Hall and across South Street to the first new garden...



1 Heath's Garden

As a gateway between the town centre and the main car parks, Heath's Garden provides an attractive walkway with green space, trees and benches and features murals by local schoolchildren on the history of the site as part of Totnes' former market garden. A large oak structure offers leisurely seating.

Wakefield Trust, Totnes & District Preservation Trust, Mitchell Trust



Steps lead through an arch into the medieval Leechwell Lane



2 Leechwell Garden

After crossing the link road, Leechwell Lane leads to the side entrance of Leechwell Garden, on the site of an ancient orchard, with its sunny herb garden, pergola, wide expanse of lawn, a series of rock pools, public art and a large play structure for 5-12 year olds.

Work is under way to improve the scheduled immersion pool and its surrounds. Leech Well, with its three troughs, is the source of water in the pool and stream, and is said to be one of the most ancient wells in Devon. It can be found further along Leechwell Lane after leaving the Garden.

Leechwell Garden Association & Totnes Development Trust



Rejoin Leechwell Lane, bearing right uphill at the Leech Well.

3 The Lamb Garden

This small garden's name is from its original use as part of Totnes' sheep market and the listed building is the former Auctioneer's Office. Now it is the information and demonstration hub for the Gardening for Health programme, which links gardening courses with national health initiatives for healthy living. There are raised vegetable and herb beds, benches and a lawn and a small fruit area to demonstrate the principles of 'Forest Gardening'. Courses are also held in Leechwell Garden.

Totnes Development Trust



From here, cross the road to the Rotherfold. You can walk through the top end of town, along the Narrows and back towards the High Street.



For further information, please visit www.LeechwellGarden.org.uk and www.TotnesDevelopmentTrust.org.uk or email Catherine@gardeningforhealth.org.uk

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