Bridport Town Council, The Arts Development Company and the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty have been working together to create a new sculpture trail for Bridport.

bridport-tc.gov.uk/sculpture-trail

2022 is the third year of the Bridport Sculpture Trail – a showcase for installations by local artists. They are all positioned along or near the Bridport Green Route; a 3-mile walk around this historic market town.



HOW THE SCULPTURE TRAIL WAS DEVELOPED

Bridport based and Royal College trained artist Isla Chaney helped instigate the idea of a sculpture trail in 2019, by placing some of her work in public spaces. The concept was taken up by the Town Council who agreed three years of support to the Arts Development Company to curate and manage the trail on behalf of Bridport Town Council. The sculpture trail has been very well received by residents and visitors alike, so do take the time to seek out the sculptural works clambering over buildings, nestling amongst plants, and perching over rivers or just hanging around! Each year new works will be chosen to enhance the natural beauty of the green spaces, create unique and imaginative experiences, and improve the wellbeing of local citizens and visitors.

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A 3-mile walk and sculpture trail linking the green open spaces around this eventful market town





Design & illustrations: DelphineJones.com

SCULPTURES

Look out for these sculptures, marked on the map A - I

All by GRETA BERLIN:

- A Fish Eagle
- B Crow
- C Stalking Dog
- D Two Metal Birds
- *E* Skateboarder

Figurative works inspired by human condition and nature, Greta's work reflects her take on the world. Birds and dogs being great inspiration encompassing so many characters, elegant to clumsy, funny to menacing. Two birds placed around Plottingham Field are made from metal materials recovered from beaches in West Dorset.

gretaberlinsculpture.com



F Link 2 | ISLA CHANEY

This piece is about the interconnectedness of all life. It is too easy to forget that we as humans are part of this interconnection and interdependence of all life and that our role is vital in its continuation.

islachaney.com

(6) Unravelling Time | CARRIE MASON

This sculpture references the historical traditions of rope and net making in Bridport. The raw materials for the rope, mainly flax and hemp, would have been harvested from the local flaxfields, prepared, and baled before being spun and made into rope. Through the meditative and repetitive processes of cutting, looping, and unravelling rope the artist is unravelling history, using time consuming and repetitive processes which are similar to those employed, often by women, in the rope walks.

<u>carrie-mason.com</u>

(H) The Air We Breathe | BRENDON MURLESS

I wanted to highlight the importance of trees, for air and life, by showing the clear structural similarities in our lungs and the branches of a tree.

brendonmurless.com

1) Part of the Whole | ISLA CHANEY

About the interconnectedness of all life. A part of the greater whole taken out of context, seen in isolation. Making reference to the many and varied elements that make up our natural world. Its reflective yet defused surface make the piece, although in place, seem slightly out of step, as we are out of sync currently with our own life-giving environment.

islachaney.com



Discover Greta Berlin's gift of 8 sculptures to Bridport <u>HERE</u>

BRIDPORT GREEN ROUTE

A walking route around the heart of Bridport to promote health and encourage connection with nature and heritage for wellbeing.

Bridport has an important relationship with the surrounding landscape. The distinctive skyline of the sandstone capped hills and the river corridors of the Brit and Asker are part of the town's identity.

The <u>Bridport Green Route</u> builds on a previous round Bridport heritage trail developed in the late 1990s.

The walk is approximately 3 miles in length and will take around 1-2 hours to complete.

With input from local health and access groups the route has been revised, improving accessibility and green space connections to encourage walking for health and wellbeing.

The <u>Bridport Green Route</u> connects residential areas to local green spaces using the network of Public Rights of Way and along the river corridors.

Along the Green Route you will find six junctions with Public Rights of Way that offer additional or extended walking to other green spaces in the Bridport Area:

- Junction 🚺

West to Skilling and onto Eype or East into the heart of the Saxon Town via the Community Orchard

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Walk around the heart of Bridport and discover



the richness of nature and heritage. Seek out connections to the green open spaces that help define the special character of the Bridport Area.

Bridport Town Council wishes to thank the volunteers who kindly gave their time to help develop this Green Route and to Dorset AONB Sustainable Development Fund for support with producing this leaflet.

