## WALK 4

## KINE BUSH LANE AND WITHYWOOD | 3.5 MILES

Withywood is our local nature reserve, home to otters, water voles and kingfishers. If you are quiet, you might be lucky and see one of these creatures along the river. Kine Bush Lane may be named for the cattle formerly kept here.

- 1. From front of Gillingham Station, use pedestrian crossing then follow Station Road for 125 metres to reach junction with Le Neubourg Way. Cross at lights; continue ahead for further 55 metres.
- 2. Turn left on Buckingham Road, at end take path to cross river bridge. At road, turn right for 100 metres behind Waitrose. Ignore first path over bridge on right, but continue ahead for further 80 metres to reach car park. Turn right on path then over bridge to reach The Square.
- 3. Turn left for 50 metres, cross B3092 at lights then ahead on Wyke Street for 100 metres. Turn left on Common Mead Lane, follow uphill for 375 metres to reach road. Ahead past oak tree, cross to right hand side of road then ahead for 350 metres.
- **4.** Turn right on Freame Way. Take 3rd turning on left after 175 metres; at end bear right on footpath & through gap in hedge on right. Turn left downhill with hedge on left, at bottom take track to reach Culvers Lane. Follow road to junction.
- 5. Turn left on Westbrook Road for 350 metres then left on Kine Bush Lane. Follow for 1km to reach road junction at Eccliffe Viaduct.
- **6.** Turn right under viaduct then immediately left. Follow road for 400 metres then turn left for 70 metres.
- **7.** Turn left on footpath through garden of Old Presthayes to railway line. Cross with care then follow path right through fields to reach road.
- **8.** Turn right; at end take path ahead under rail line. Follow through Withy Wood for 425 metres to reach footbridge over river on right.
- **9.** Cross over bridge, go ahead then left passing Tincknells fuel depot. Follow road for 300 metres to road junction on right.
- **10.** Just beyond road junction, follow path to left to reach Gillingham Station platform 2. Use footbridge to reach platform 1 and station entrance.

