

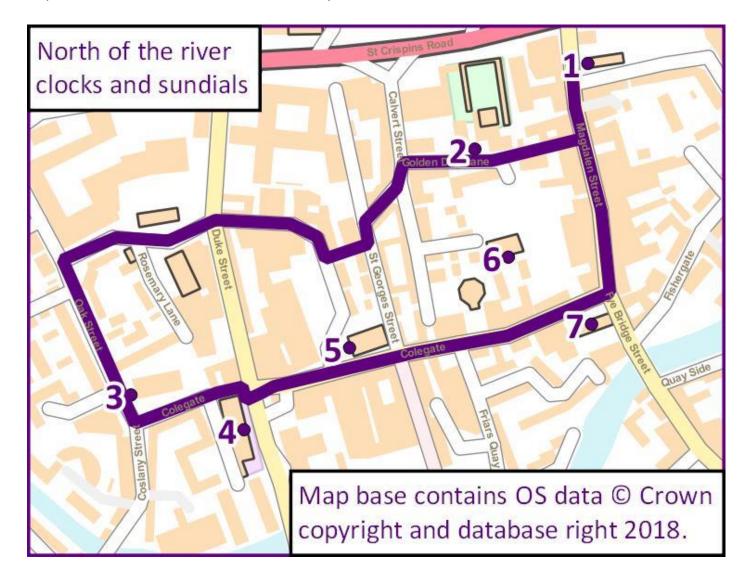
North of the River Clocks and Sundials Trail

This is a circular walk around the city north of the river, visiting seven locations with clocks or sundials. The walk is described starting and ending at St. Saviour's Church, in Magdalen Street by the flyover. It is one of three trails to help you explore Norwich's publicly-viewable clocks and sundials. A publication "Telling The Time in Norwich", which includes details of more than 50 publicly-viewable clocks and sundials in the city, is available on the Society's website.

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1 St. Saviour clock

Start south of the flyover opposite St. Saviour's Church. The clock was restored in the 1990s under a joint project between the Norwich Society and the Historic Churches Trust. The church is dedicated in honour of "the Transfiguration of the Holy Saviour", but the name has been reduced to St Saviour, even though there was no such saint. The church is in the care of the Norwich Historic Churches Trust.



2 Doughty's Hospital clock

Walk down Magdalen Street. Just beyond the pelican crossing turn right into a path between buildings [Golden Dog Lane]. Follow this through to reach Doughty's Hospital on your right. The clock was installed in 2014 on the new extension at the request of the trustees of the Norwich Charitable Trusts, who wanted a focal point of interest. The Hospital is not a hospital in the modern sense, but an almshouse, in the same way as the Great Hospital in Bishopgate.



3 St. Michael Coslany clock

Continue to the end turning left into Calvert Street bearing right into Cross Lane. On joining St. George's Street go right into Alms Lane, which leads to Muspole Street. Here go right and at the end cross Duke Street to St. Mary's Plain. Go past St. Mary Coslany Church and St. Mary's Works to Oak Street, where go left to St. Miles Coslany. It is believed that the design of the clock ceased to be used from about 1650, so it is one of the oldest clocks in Norwich.



4 NUA Duke Street clock

Go into Colegate, along the south side of St Miles. At the end cross by the traffic lights, and turn to see the NUA clock. The clock is a mechanical clock, wound once a week. The Duke Street school was opened in 1889. It was constructed by the Norwich School Board as a higher grade or municipal secondary school and is now used by the Norwich University of the Arts for teaching purposes.



5 St. George Colegate clock

Continue along Colegate past St. George Colegate. The clock, now electrically run, is believed to date from 1929. The church was built between 1459 and 1513, but is most noted today for its fine Georgian interior and one of the largest collections of monuments and family memorials in Norwich, including a memorial to the artist John Crome. The church is still in use for worship.



6 Old Meeting House sundial

The Meeting House Chapel sundial is at the end of Meeting House Alley, on the left. The sundial bears a date of 1693: this is the date of construction of the Meeting House itself, and it is believed by the congregation that the sundial is of the same age. The Chapel is the oldest purpose-built nonconformist meeting house, built after an Act of 1689 allowed such groups to own land and buildings.



7 St. Clement clock

At the end of Colegate St. Clement is on the right. Return up Magdalen Street if you want to get back to the start point. The clock was restored by Simon Michlmayr in 2004 as a memorial to those who fell in the Second World War, partly funded by the Norwich Society. The church is in the care of the Norwich Historic Churches Trust.

