



Stage Three – Trinity Square to Castle Street

You can probably do this stage in as little as 10 minutes

We start Stage Three in **Trinity Square**.

Until 2017 the 700-year old church was known as **Holy Trinity Church**, and it was the largest parish church by area in all of England. The first chapel on this site was built as a chapel of ease in about 1285. It quickly became too small for the growing town and a new chapel was begun in the very early 1300s.

It became **Hull Minster** in 2017, Hull's year as City of Culture. As Hull Minster it serves in a more senior role in the area, on behalf of the Diocese of York.

Trinity Square is a pleasant place to sit on a sunny day, but part of it was formerly a cemetery. In 2017 the old churchyard walls were removed and the space opened up as a public square. The mirror pools were put in at this time.

There is a lot to see around here. The Minster hosts events and activities throughout the year as well as the usual church activities, and is deserving of a visit of its own. The covered market to the left of the Minster is **Trinity Market**, just below the bell tower. It is an interesting place with a wide range of food stalls and unusual kiosks, particularly on Fridays and Saturdays. The Minster and the Market are open most days.

The **Old Grammar School**, to your right as you face The Minster, was built in 1585. It was attended by both **William Wilberforce** and the 17th century poet **Andrew Marvel** whose statue you can see close to the school entrance. It is now a 'Hands on History Museum'. It is not always open but opening times are available online.

When you are ready, make your way to **Prince Street**. Look for the sign on a wall under an arch, just opposite the main entrance to Hull Minster. We are making our way to the Marina from here. Prince Street, developed in the late 18th century, is not named after Albert this time, but the Prince Regent who became George IV in 1820. As you enter Prince Street, there is a very attractive curved terrace of **Georgian buildings** completed around 1770. They originally had gardens opposite (possibly communal) and it must have been a very desirable place to live when built.

Turn left and continue along Dagger Lane. You will pass by the **Minerva Masonic Hall**. There have been Freemasons in the town for over 250 years. Walk on until you reach Castle Street, better known now as the A63.

To your right is the new pedestrian bridge named **The Murdoch Connection** after Dr Mary Murdoch who worked in the city during the early 20th century. As you go towards it you come to the end of Princes Dock Street, formerly known as Mytongate. It is here that the Myton Gate, one of the medieval city gates, was situated near the location of the current blue plaque.

End of Stage Three

Stage Four begins over the Murdoch Connection Bridge, beside the Marina