# Care for Carers

Supporting those who care for others



# Nature Walks 2018

February - November

#### **Overview**

Care for Carers runs a series of Nature Walks throughout the year, helping carers to get a short break from their caring roles and enjoy the company of other carers. We travel through the quiet, peaceful parks and green spaces in and around Edinburgh.

Both carers and former carers are welcome to attend the walks. Support and guidance is provided by Care for Carers.

### The Walks

The walks take place on tarmac paths, grass and looser uneven surfaces with a moderate incline. The distance can vary from a 2km loop to a 6km point to point walk. Walks are scheduled for the last Thursday of the month, February to November.

### The Benefits

Outdoor activity has been demonstrated to improve a person's mental well-being as well as having physical benefits. Being outside reduces stress levels and increases your awareness and positivity, but most of all our walks are simply about enjoying ourselves.

## **Booking & Enquiries**

To book a place or request information please contact us by phone or email:

0131 661 2077 Telephone:

Fmail: naturewalks@care4carers.org.uk

We at *Care for Carers* appreciate that some carers can only book to go on a walk near to the time, or even have to cancel at short notice. This is not a problem, so don't be put off from applying.

#### Recommended Kit

Below is the recommended clothing and equipment to bring for our Nature Walks. Remember that the ground may be wet or muddy.

- Walking boots or shoes with good tread
- Warm socks
- Fleece or warm jumper
- Waterproofs
- Hat and gloves
- Small backpack, to keep hands free
- Refreshments drinks and snacks
- Camera

| Walking Group Calendar 2018 |      |                                       |     |      |                                       |
|-----------------------------|------|---------------------------------------|-----|------|---------------------------------------|
| Feb                         | 22nd | Street walk of Leith                  | Jul | 26th | Cramond Brig to Queensferry           |
| Mar                         | 29th | Street walk of Royal Mile             | Aug | 30th | Cramond Island                        |
| Apr                         | 26th | Innocent Railway & Dr. Neil's Garden  | Sep | 27th | Forth Road Bridge                     |
| May                         | 31st | Redhall Walled Garden & Colinton Dell | Oct | 25th | Hermitage of Braid                    |
| Jun                         | 28th | Beecraigs Country Park (Linlithgow)   | Nov | 29th | St. Margaret's House (Activity Event) |

Departure 10am with typical duration 2-3 hours. Notes

Details of the walks and meeting points will be confirmed at time of booking.



