

Hello and welcome to “Once Upon a Time in Luton” - an audio “storywalk”, containing stories co-created by children from Luton and Kingfisher Primary Schools, plus residents of Victory Care Home in Luton, Medway. The stories are suitable for all ages, adults and children!

This map will guide you on a route around the local area, with **12 stopping points** at which stories have been recorded for you to enjoy. You are welcome to listen to them as you travel the route, but it works just as well listening from the comfort of your own home!

If you are walking, please be advised there are some steep inclines, a lot of steps, a busy road to cross, and some tricky terrain- so do be prepared with suitable walking attire! If you are listening from home, you can follow the route on this map and simply enjoy the stories!

- 1. Storyland:** Travel with a mischievous goblin and the pigeon who befriends him.
- 2. Kings and Queens:** Meet a kind Queen who bakes cakes and hosts parties for all.
- 3. 100 Steps:** Discover a magic potion bottle and the power of friendship.
- 4. Ash Tree Lane:** Connect with the Tree of Life, Luton and the whole wide world.
- 5. The Sloe Forest:** Unearth mushrooms, fairies and a lizard who shows four children ancient lands.
- 6. The Company of Birds:** Follow the birds and discover the fun of singing and flying.



- 7. The Wise Horses:** Consider enduring questions, grandmas and horses, and how those we love stay with us always.
- 8. The Boundary:** Sing and dance with a father and son celebrating Luton together.
- 9. Crow Field:** Party at a surprising and raucous wedding to which humans aren't invited.
- 10. The Giantess:** Some feelings are big enough to start fires, meet the local heroine who puts them out.
- 11. Victory Tales:** Join a very special cat and those who feed him stories and snacks.
- 12. Rooted:** About home, community, and what it takes to feel you belong somewhere.



How to listen to the stories on your phone or other device

Visit: <http://www.onceuponatimeinluton.com> and click on the SoundCloud link there.

Then click on the heart button- this will make the tracks easier to find later.

Also on this website are written versions of the stories.

The storywalk starts outside Luton Library- go to track one, press play and you'll hear it! At the end of each story, you'll hear the cawing of Feathers the Crow, who will be your guide throughout the storywalk, as soon as you hear him you will know it's time to move on. You can then slip off your headphones until you reach the next stop on the map, and then press play on track number 2, and so on.... we hope you enjoy listening.....

Creative Team

“Once Upon A Time in Luton” is a project brought to you by arts organisation White Rabbit.

All stories were co-created by:
Owl Class, Year Five from Kingfisher Primary School
Team Seal, Year Four from Luton Primary School
Residents and staff of Victory Care Home
Visitors and staff of Luton Library

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Location

The storywalk begins and ends at Luton Library 2 Nelson Terrace, Chatham, Kent, ME5 7LA.

Accessibility: the audio tracks are free and accessible online. However, we are very sorry to say that the walking route is not accessible to people with limited mobility or wheelchair users.

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An audio storywalk

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Let's set off and see where Feathers the Crow leads us!



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Buy them green
Buy up all that
Come that
wa e your
they're
worse
weight
gold

Come hither
Come hither
Come all as one
Let us beat the bounds
of these fine grounds
Let us DANCE TOGETHER
as one

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