

BEFORE SETTING OFF

- > Make sure that you've got appropriate footwear for your walk
- > Check the weather before leaving your house and dress accordingly
- > Check that the walk is suitable for you and your party. If in any doubt then contact the PRoW team for more details
- > Let a friend or relative know where you are planning to walk especially if you are off out exploring by yourself
- > Make sure that you've got your mobile phone and that it's got plenty of battery left

WHEN OUT WALKING REMEMBER TO FOLLOW THE COUNTRYSIDE CODE

- > Consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors
- > Leave gates and property as you find them and stay on the line of the paths
- > Leave no trace of your visit and take your litter home
- > Keep dogs under effective control
- > Plan ahead and be prepared
- > Follow advice and local signs



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FOUR CHURCHES

7½ miles (12km)



Walkers may encounter livestock



Carriage At The Mill Icecream shop, Waltham Windmill, Grimsby DN37 0JZ



Accessible by Public Transport



Steady

PUT YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD

Walking is a great activity for just about anyone irrespective of their age or level of fitness. Regularly getting out and about is an ideal way of becoming more active. A good walk can improve the strength and flexibility of your joints, boosts your immune system and lift your mood. It's also a great way of discovering North East Lincolnshire.

Whether you are the type of person to 'get your hiking boots on', enjoy a 'gentle stroll with the family' or prefer a 'brisk walk with the dogs' we have just the walk for you.

With more than 50 parks and open spaces to enjoy alongside coastal paths and many countryside trails, North East Lincolnshire has wonderful walks and cycle routes to choose from. As we're located on the edge of the rolling Lincolnshire Wolds, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, there are many more to discover right on our doorstep.

Discover more of what North East Lincolnshire has to offer on www.DiscoverNorthEastLincolnshire.co.uk including plenty of other walking routes around the area.



FOUR CHURCHES

This delightful walk takes you on a tour of four local churches in the villages of Waltham, Brigsley, Ashby-cum-Fenby and Barnoldby-le-Beck. The walk is accessible by public transport that runs from Cleethorpes and Grimsby.

The first of the four churches is All Saints in Waltham. A Grade II listed building, the 13th century medieval church was restored by James Fowler of Louth in the 1800s. Waltham is a thriving village with a good range of local services and places to eat and relax. If you have the opportunity, do visit Waltham Windmill. The Museum of Rural Life is also located here, featuring many exhibits from the 1930s & 1940s and the RAF Grimsby exhibition. Also on site is a miniature railway, shops, a café and a restaurant.

Brigsley church is dedicated to St Helen believed to be a 4th Century Welsh saint. The earliest parts of the church date back to the 11th Century with later additions. Substantial changes were made to the structure during the 18th, 19th and 20th Centuries although the building retains its square Norman tower.

St Peter's Church in Ashby dates from a similar period to St Helen's in Brigsley, the church was classified as a Grade 2 listed building in 1967 in acknowledgement of its striking architecture and early English tower, aisle and belfry.

The Parish Church in Barnoldby-le-Beck shares the same name as that in Brigsley, being dedicated to St Helen. The church has been significantly restored and renovated over the ages, small parts of the original Norman structure still remain as does examples of Medieval glass in the church windows. The church is now recognised as a Grade 1 listed building.

The walk is accessible by public transport visit www.stagecoachbus.com/plan-a-journey

The instructions given in this guide take you in a clockwise direction around the route

START
All Saints Church,
Waltham
Postcode: DN37 0PN



FOUR CHURCHES 7½ miles (12km)

1. Leaving All Saints church on High Street Waltham turn into Kirkgate and follow this to the junction with Cheapside.
2. At Cheapside turn left and follow this for approx. 300m.
3. Turn right at the signpost indicating a footpath alongside no. 58 Cheapside.
4. Pass through two gates and continue along the field edge turning right at the waymarker indicating the footpath through the Windmill site.
5. Continue through the site, taking care across the car park and along the entrance road and then turn left onto Brigsley Road.
6. Continue along Brigsley Road for approx. 500m then follow the direction of the signpost indicating a footpath along the rear of houses on Brigsley Road.
7. The path emerges onto Waltham Road. Turn left here along Waltham Road.
8. At the bend in the road at the junction with Green Lane/Church Lane continue straight ahead along Church Lane.
9. At the junction with Waithe Lane turn right and follow this for approx. 80m to a signpost on your left side.
10. Turn left at the signpost indicating the footpath through the metal gate and along an enclosed tarmac path.
11. Cross the bridge and immediately turn left. DO NOT PASS THROUGH THE KISSING GATE. Follow the waymarkers across arable land to another bridge.
12. Cross the bridge and continue straight ahead along a grassy track to a gate.
13. Pass through the gate and continue straight ahead along a stoney track.
14. At the elevated metal tank at the bend in the track, follow the direction of the waymarker straight ahead along a grass track. DO NOT continue along the stone track which bends to the left.
15. Continue to the end of the grass track to a bridge on your right side. Cross the bridge and continue across an arable field back towards Ashby. On re-joining the field edge turn left along the grass track towards the road.
16. Turn right at the road and follow this through the village to the sharp bend in the road.
17. Turn right at the sharp bend in the road along the access road to St. Peters church.
18. Leave the church and head back to the road and turn right. Continue to a signpost on your right side.
19. Turn right at the signpost indicating the footpath along the edge of a cattle field. (NB if you do not want to walk amongst the cattle continue along Ashby Lane turning right at the T junction taking care along the busy road).
20. After approx. 200m look out for a waymarker indicating the footpath across the field to a gate at the roadside.
21. Pass through the kissing gate and turn right taking care along the verge on Main Road.
22. Turn left following the directions of the footpath signpost through a stable yard. Pass through several gates along an enclosed path and along the edge of woodland.
23. On emerging from the woodland continue straight ahead along the field edge.
24. Follow the direction of the waymarkers turning right then left along the field edge and on into woodland.
25. On emerging from the woodland follow the direction of the signpost along the fence line. Continue through two kissing gates to emerge onto Main Road Barnoldby.
26. At Main Road take care crossing the road and turn down Church Lane to St Helens church.
27. Turn left out of the church yard along Church Lane and follow the road bending to the right along Chapel Lane.
28. Turn left down Old Main Road and follow this to the junction with Main Road.
29. Turn left at Main Road and follow the footway alongside the road back to Waltham.
30. Take care as you cross the road at the mini roundabout continuing straight ahead along Barnoldby Road. Cross another mini roundabout and continue on to the junction with High Street.
31. Turn left along High Street and back to the start.