

INTRODUCTION

This 25 mile walk, which has been established to celebrate the Silver Jubilee, in 2005, of the Grimsby/Louth group of The Ramblers' Association, links together the two towns using paths regularly walked by the group. The founder members of our group were also members of the Wanderlust Rambling Club and in North East Lincolnshire we make use of some footpaths on the Wanderlust Way. This 20 mile circular walk, was established in memory of James Neville Cole who did so much for the walkers in our region. The Silver Lincs Way goes through the outskirts of Grimsby, then follows footpaths, bridleways and quiet lanes through woodlands and across the rolling Wolds to reach St James' Church, Louth. The walk offers dramatic views across Lincolnshire and towards the Humber Estuary and the North Sea.

A second leaflet is available detailing shorter, circular walks - links - using sections of The Way.

THE WOLDS

The Lincolnshire Wolds is a nationally important and cherished landscape. Much of it was designated an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) in 1973. Rolling hills, hidden valleys and nestling villages add to the charm of the area. For more information - www.lincswolds.org.uk

PUBLIC TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Grimsby, Ludborough and Louth are on the Road Car service number 51 route. For details contact Traveline on 0870 608 2 608 or www.traveline.org.uk



ROUTE FACTS

DISTANCES

The Silver Lincs Way Scarcho to Louth	25 miles, 40km
Northern Section Scarcho to Ludborough	14 miles, 22½km
Southern Section Ludborough to Louth	13¼ miles, 21km

MAPS

Ordnance Survey Explorer 282 & 284

PARKING

There are public car parks in Scarcho (Grimsby) and in Louth. In Ludborough, please park with consideration.

TERRAIN

Good paths and bridleways which can be muddy at times with some gentle ascents and descents over the Wolds. There are several stiles. There is some road walking and crossing.

ROUTE FINDING

The Way is marked with the green symbol and the Ludborough Link is marked with the red symbol.



Main Route



Link Route

The Ramblers' Association

As a registered charity, The Ramblers' Association works on behalf of walkers everywhere by safeguarding and protecting the beauty of the countryside, maintaining public paths and increasing access for walkers to Britain's most beautiful places. For information about the Grimsby/Louth group - uk.geocities.com/tjrambler

For more information on The Ramblers' Association - www.ramblers.org.uk

The Countryside Code

- Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Protect plants and animals and take your litter home
 - Keep dogs under close control
 - Consider other people

General Advice

- Wear suitable footwear - some paths can be muddy
 - Carry waterproof clothing
- Take something to eat and plenty of fluids

Acknowledgements

Walkers use the permissive path with the kind consent of the landowners.

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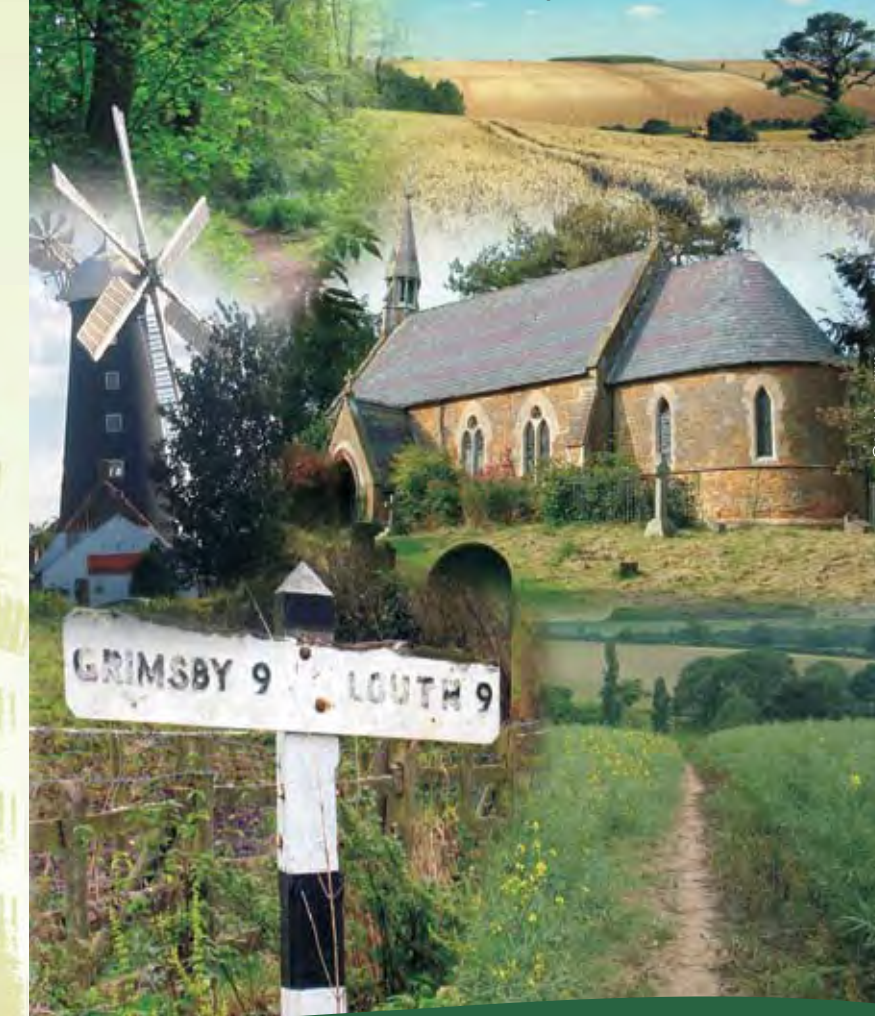


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The SILVER Lincs WAY

Linking Grimsby & Louth



A walk linking the two towns in celebration of the Silver Jubilee of the Grimsby/Louth group of The Ramblers' Association

MAP KEY

- Car Park
- Refreshments
- Main Route
- Link
- Low Ground
- High Ground



Scarcho roundabout



Commemorative plaque in Barnoldby le Beck



View across fields toward Waltham windmill



Tree lined avenue - Wyham



The Valley, Wold Newton



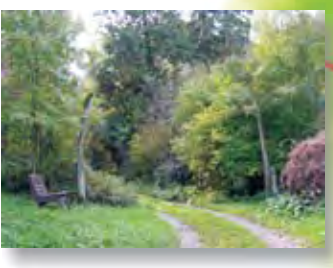
A view east above Wyham



Wyham Church



Gentle rolling Wolds



'Whale jaw bones' Welton Vale



Snowdrops



River Lud running through Hubbard's Hills

1 The walk begins ¼ mile south of the hospital at the roundabout in Scarcho village. Walk down Waltham Road passing the car park. Take the 1st right into Springfield Road. Follow the road where it becomes Lavenham Road, then take the 1st right, Followfield Road and again 1st right, Oxcombe Close. Follow the waymarked brideway.

2 Cross the road, bearing left and then immediately right to follow the brideway.

3 At the T junction, turn left and follow the broad track. (Continue in the same direction after going round the dyke.)

4 At Barnoldby le Beck go past the Obelisk and Church and down Chapel Lane. Bear right at the main road and on reaching the village green cross the road with care to follow the path.

5 At Brigsley turn right past the ice cream shop and walk 70 yards down the road. Take the path on the left across the field, bearing right at the path junction by the hedge.

6 At the road turn left into Ashby cum Fenby. Take the 1st road on the right, Post Office Lane and continue straight ahead on the lane and then the footpath.

7 At the junction of paths turn right and then left at the next path junction.

8 At the road turn left and after 90 yards take care crossing the road to rejoin the brideway.

9 At the next junction turn left onto a track. (The village of East Ravendale is on your right.) Follow the track round the woods.

10 Go through the gap in the hedge, turn right and follow the track to Wold Newton. Walk through the village ignoring the 1st brideway on the left.

11 Take the next brideway on the left into the wooded valley. Continue through The Valley and continue ahead to the road.

12 Turn right on the road and take the 2nd brideway on the left. Continue ahead through Cadeby and then Wyham.

13 If you are walking The Way in two sections, this is where you either join or leave The Link to Ludborough.* To continue, keep ahead, soon following the line of telegraph poles to the road.



Refurbished plough - Ludborough

14 Turn left along the road and take care where it joins the A18. Take the 1st right at the next road junction. Go past Utterby School and continue to where the road takes a sharp left to Utterby.

15 Continue ahead on the track and at the path junction go right.

16 Take the 1st path left down a few steps in the bank, then ascend the path through the fields.

17 Turn left at the stony track and after 400 yards turn sharp right and descend the field. Cross the footbridge and keep right over a stile.

18 At the next stile, cross and continue through the earthworks, after 350 yards bearing left to ascend to a double stile. Cross these stiles and walk alongside the fence, then follow the fingerpost through the site of a medieval village to another stile. Bear left on the track.

19 At the road turn right and at the T junction left. Continue to the A631 and cross it with care. Continue ahead and turn 1st left by the derelict cottage onto the brideway.

20 Follow the stony track until you reach a T junction in the woods. Turn right and follow the path through the woods. Cross the A157 with care and continue uphill on the permissive path - available only for walkers by kind consent of the landowners.

21 Turn left at the lane and then left on the next footpath.

22 Where paths meet in the valley, turn right. Go through a gate and cross a field. Just before the gate immediately next to a road, turn left and follow the hedgeline in a parallel arc.

Leave the field down the steps in the right hand corner. At the road turn left under the bypass, then go through a gate into Hubbard's Hills. Follow the River Lud, then the road and turn left through the gate onto Westgate Fields. At the road turn right onto Westgate and continue to St James Church. **23**

* The Way can be divided into two sections at Ludborough. Take the lane to the left of the garage to join a footpath waymarked with The Links symbol. This meets The Way at Wyham.

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Oak leaf sculpture - Westgate Fields

St James' Church - Louth

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