

Walks in York

ASKHAM RICHARD, BILBROUGH & ASKHAM BRYAN

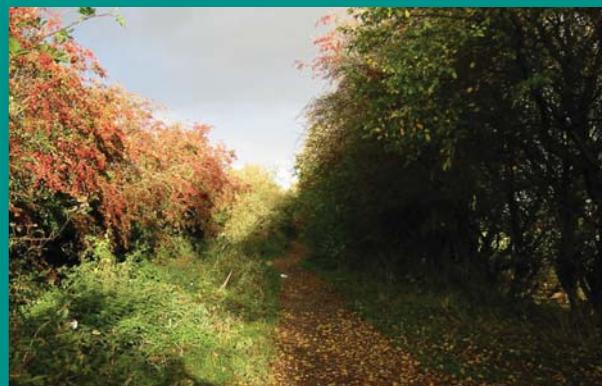
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Walk 15

**Askham Richard Via Bilborough,
Copmanthorp and Askham Bryan**

Distance: 6½ miles

Time: 3 hours.

Stiles: 11

Gates: 4

Parking: Askham Richard, School Lane

**Public Transport: Coastliner Buses to
Tadcaster**

No.87. (Hutchinson's Buses)

Askham Richard is situated within the York Greenbelt about 7 miles south west of York off the York – Leeds A64 Road. The land has been occupied for over a thousand years and its name is thought to have been derived from Richard, an Earl of Cornwall who owned land in the area. The 'Askham' element of the name



is thought to have derived from Ascam or ascha possible meaning 'enclosure of the ash-tree'. The largest building in the village is Askham Grange with a distinctive tower and Victorian and Edwardian architectural features. The building has been government owned since 1947 and is a women's open prison.

Like Askham Richard, Bilbrough is a small, yet ancient settlement and was listed in the Domesday Book. A small farming village, it has resisted large scale modern development typical of some villages around York. Bilbrough

is about half a mile from the Roman road which runs between York and Tadcaster. Being on a moraine about 150 feet above sea level, the village commands extensive views over the flat vale of York.

Askham Bryan is situated south west of York and is 1 mile from its neighbour Askham Richard. St Nicholas' Church in the village is an ancient Norman Church dating from the 12th Century. Recorded in the Domesday Book of 1086 the village has always been a traditional farming settlement. The building of the York Outer Ring Road significantly reduced the flow of traffic through the village which remains rural in character.



Askham Richard Village Design
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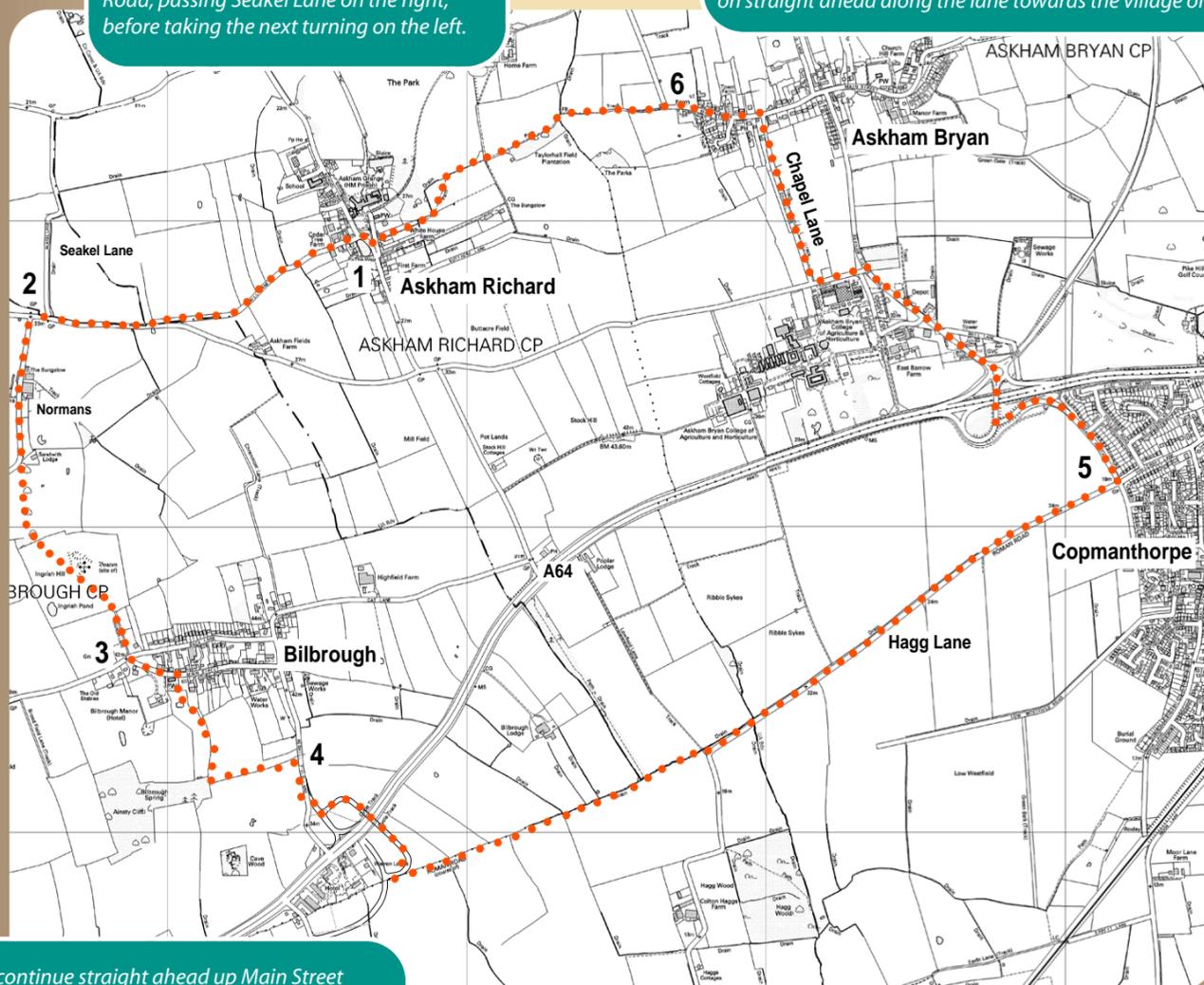
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2 Carry on straight down this road past a large farm called 'Normans' and as the road bends to the right, take the public footpath which leaves the road on the corner just past Sandwith Cottage on the left. Continue ahead along the footpath, which runs between a line of trees, until you reach two large stone gate posts. Cross the fence and then pass diagonally left across the next field to the right side of the hill heading for a metal gate and brick wall. Pass over the stile and the gap next to the gate and walk along the enclosed track to emerge onto a road in the village of Bilbrough.

1 From School Lane, Askham Richard turn right just before the pond and walk down Mill Lane to the junction with York Road. Turn right and continue along York Road, passing Seakel Lane on the right, before taking the next turning on the left.

4 Immediately before the road, turn right, staying within the field along its edge to reach a short section of path enclosed by fencing and then a stile by a metal signpost. Cross the stile out onto the road. Cross the road and then walk over the A64 flyover on the footway. Once over the A64, follow the road around a long sweeping curve to the right until a blue bridleway sign is reached on the left. Follow this path down the slope onto the Ebor Way which follows the course of an old Roman Road. Follow this route over three field boundaries, keeping straight ahead past a footbridge on your left, until you emerge via a wooden gate onto a lane. This is Hagg Lane. Carry on straight ahead along the lane towards the village of Copmanthorpe.



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3 Cross the road and continue straight ahead up Main Street towards the church. After passing the church, turn right through a metal gate, follow the footpath through the church yard to another metal gate and then pass through a squeeze stile to the right of a brick building. On leaving the church yard, continue, bearing left following the path across the field passing a pond on your right. A little further along head left towards the fence and hedge and cross a stile. Turn right down the side of the field heading towards a coniferous wood ahead on the right. Just before a stile, in the corner of the field, turn left and follow the path along the field edge. After about 200m, cross to the opposite side of the field boundary through a gap and continue in the same direction towards a road.

6 When the road turns to the right, carry on straight ahead along a stoned track following the footpath signposted Askham Richard. Follow this track through a gate and along a field edge, crossing two stiles at one field boundary and then following the edge of a wood to another stile. Bearing left, cut diagonally across the next field using the telegraph pole as a guide. At the end of the field cross a further two stiles either side of a stone bridge. Continue on, keeping the field boundary to your right, through another field then on to an enclosed path that leads, over a stile, back into the village of Askham Richard.

5 On reaching the houses of Copmanthorpe turn left along Manor Heath, crossing back over the A64, and proceed on to a roundabout. Taking care to look both ways follow the roundabout round to the left and continue along the next road signed for Askham Bryan (Askham Fields Lane). After about half a mile turn left along York Road towards Askham Richard, then take the next right turn and follow Chapel Lane into Askham Bryan. On reaching the village turn left along Main Street and walk through the village.

