Walk 3

Holtby via Eastfield Lane, Dunnington Distance: 2 miles Time: 50mins. Stiles: 4 Gates: 3 (generally always open) Parking: Holtby Public Transport: Bus No 10 (Claret Line)

Holtby is an excellent example of a traditional Vale of York village which has maintained its historical character into modern times. The land occupied by the village has been inhabited for centuries and the name Holtby is Viking in origin. The village was recorded in King William's Doomsday Book of 1086. The growth of the village to what it is today occurred mainly throughout the mid 18th to mid 19th Centuries and until recently, farming was the traditional mainstay of the village. Farming remains vitally important in the surrounding countryside of Holtby Parish which still has many working farms. Holy Trinity Church, built on a prominent raised site in the centre of the village, was rebuilt in 1702 on the foundations of an earlier Norman church of around 1170. One of the bells in the church was cast in the early 15th Century.

> Information from Holtby Village Design Statement (2005)

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A summary of this information can be provided in your own language. এই তথ্যটুৰুৰ সাৱাংশ আপনাৰ নিজেৰ ভাষায় অনুবাদ করে দেওয়া যাবে। (Bengali) 我们能以您的語言提供些信息的摘要 (Cantonese) Streszczenie tych informacji może być zapewnione w Twoim języku ojczystym. (Polish) Bu bilginin özetini kendi dilinizde almanız műmkündür. (Turkish) ان معلومات کا خلاصه آپ کی اپنی زبان میں بھی مہیا کیا جا حکتا ہے۔(Urdu)



Walk 3 Walks in York HOLTBY



The start of this walk is at the front of Holy Trinity Church near the telephone box on the main road through Holtby village. Look for the wooden signpost and follow it up the access road to towards the Old Rectory. Just before entering the grounds of this building, turn left and follow the wall round the back of the church to a metal field gate which accesses the field to the rear of the Old Rectory. Pass through the gate and continue along the right hand edge of the field to another metal gate. Continue through this gate, following the left hand side of this second much larger field. After passing a small pond on the left boundary of the field, look for a pair of stiles within a wooded area.

Cross the stiles and descend, via a small set of steps onto the verge of a main road. This is the A166 road running between York and Bridlington. Looking across this road to the right you should be able to see another stile and wooden fingerpost.

(A shorter route can be created from this point, by turning right at the bottom of the steps and using the grass verge to access Panman Lane, a quiet road on your right that leads back into Holtby - Distance: 1 mile. Time: 30 Mins.)

Continuing on the longer walk, cross the road with care and pass over the stile into an arable field. Follow the footpath diagonally across the field to a large tree and waymarking post. Following the waymarker, continue along the field edge to another stile. Walks in York

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Cross the stile emerging into a quiet lane. This is Eastfield Lane and leads eventually to the village of Dunnington. Continue straight ahead from the stile along the lane towards Dunnington. You may notice a bridleway signposted on the left. This leads to the wider network of public rights of way around Dunnington Village, Hagg Wood and further over to Kexby Village. (See Walk No.4 in this series for a walk around Dunnington and Hagg Wood)

After about ¼ mile look for another bridleway signposted on the right. Follow the bridleway through a gate which is normally left open. Continue along the bridleway up along the perimeter of Dunnington Hall and a small golf course. Turn sharp left at the top and follow the path down and through another gate back out onto the York - Bridlington road. Looking to the right, you should be able to see the slip road leading back into back into Holtby. This is Straight Lane.

Cross over the road once again with care. The verges up to Straight Lane provide a safe margin to walk within.

Turning left, follow the road back into the village of Holtby and the start of the walk.

Eastfield Lane

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