

About the route

A medium length ride through the peaceful villages of Winthorpe, Holme and Collingham to the North East of Newark. Incorporating sections of Sustrans National Cycle Route 64 and including several off road sections. Suitable for all cycles but with some rough stretches on the off road sections.

Cycle Checklist:

Route number

2 of 20.

Start Point

Tolney Lane car park, Newark.
O.S. Grid Ref. **SK 793540**

Distance

Approximately 16 miles (25 kms) to 24 miles (39 kms)
(depending on optional routes).

Duration

3 - 4 hours + stops.

Significant points of interest

- Newark town, Castle and Riverside.
- The Concrete Barge.
- Besthorpe NWT Nature Reserve.

Refreshments

Lots of refreshment possibilities in Newark and route-side pubs in Collingham and Winthorpe.



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Trent Vale



Trent Vale Cycle Route

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Newark to Collingham Circular



Kings Marina and Riverside Walk from Jubilee Bridge.

Start Point: Tolney Lane car park, Newark

Total Route Length: Approximately 16 miles (25 kms) to 24 miles (39 kms)

Optional Routes: Main route approximately 16 miles (25 kms)
Holme/Winthorpe Lake approximately 2.25 miles (3.5 kms)
Besthorpe Nature Reserve approximately 5.5 miles (9 kms)

Route Duration: 3 - 4 hours + stops

Route Type: Road and off road



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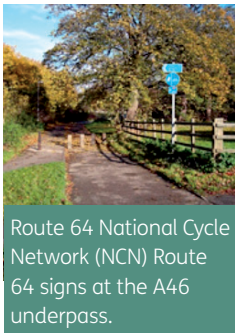
Route Description, Main Route

1 Leaving the car park cross Tolney Lane into Riverside Park then cycle under Trent Bridge and onto the bridleway. Go past the Canal and River Trust office then cross over Jubilee Bridge onto Riverside Walk which is followed Eastwards as far as Trent Lane. Turn right here and when the main road is reached turn left onto the shared path over Lincoln Road Railway Bridge.

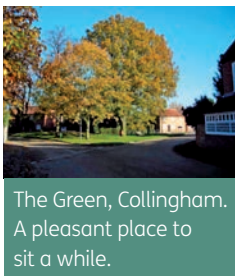
2 Cross the bridge and follow the cycle path to exit onto Winthorpe Road. After 100 yards National Cycle Route 64 joins from the left, this is followed under the A46/A1 carriage ways into Winthorpe village where we turn sharp left along Holme Lane for one and a half miles to the T-junction. The optional route to Holme/Winthorpe Lake goes left whilst the main route goes right for three-quarters of a mile then leaves the road on the left 200 yards before the level crossing onto the first of the off road sections.

3 Follow the path over Slough Dyke bridge, past the quarry, alongside the wood, then turn sharp right to rejoin the tarmac at Cottage Lane where a left turn takes you into Collingham.

Skirt the left side of the green onto Low Street and after 200 yards follow Route 64 signs right onto Bell Lane (the optional route to Besthorpe NWT Nature Reserve/River Trent continues to follow Low Street).



Route 64 National Cycle Network (NCN) Route 64 signs at the A46 underpass.



The Green, Collingham. A pleasant place to sit a while.



Nature Reserve



The wood is part of The

RSPB reserve at Langford Lowfields. It attracts many woodland birds both residents and migrants. In

summer, several species of butterfly may be seen in the sunny areas while in autumn, fungi grow in the wood. Look for ducks on the lagoons and if lucky, kingfishers. In spring and summer, the grassland by the lagoons is ablaze with wild flowers attracting many insects and butterflies. Dragonflies and damselflies are here also and bats may be seen flying overhead.

4 Straight over the main road at the traffic lights, where Route 64 goes left onto a housing estate keep straight on past the railway station and after 300 yards turn right onto an unsurfaced track. This is Green Lane, which is followed round a double bend, a sharp right turn and back to tarmac again at Hewson's Lane. Turn left here then right at the end, go past the nursery (Tea-room) and up to the A1133.

5 Go right here and immediately over the level crossing turn left onto Cottage Lane. After 150 yards at the right hand bend go straight on through the gates back onto Route 64 and retrace your steps back to Newark.

Route Description Optional Holme/Winthorpe Lake

1 Leave the main route at the top of Holme Lane turning left into Holme Village (signposted Winthorpe Lake). At the T-junction go left and follow the road onto an unsurfaced track, through a gate, over the flood bank to Winthorpe Lake and the Concrete Barge.

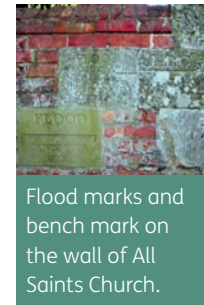


Holme Lane and The Fleet in Winthorpe.

2 Retrace your steps to rejoin the main route.

Route Description Optional, Besthorpe NWT Nature Reserve/ River Trent

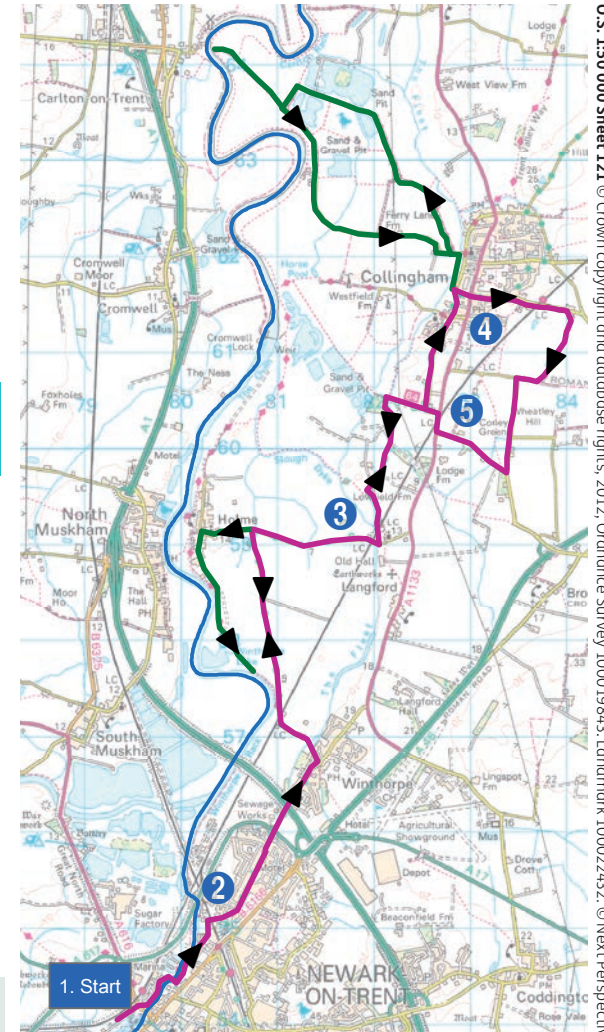
1 Where the main route turns right into Bell Lane continue to follow Low Street as far as All Saints Church then turn left along Trent Lane which becomes Carlton Ferry Lane. After 100 yards turn right onto Northcroft Lane which is followed over the quarry access road and between the ponds of Besthorpe NWT Nature Reserve.



Flood marks and bench mark on the wall of All Saints Church.



The Mons Pool site is a rural Iron Age and Romano - British settlement landscape spreading over a 12 hectare area, and includes Bronze Age and Neolithic occupation phases.



2 At the end of the ponds a sharp left hand turn takes you back to Carlton Ferry Lane where you turn right to reach the anglers car park at the River Trent and the site of the Carlton Ferry. To rejoin the main route follow Carlton Ferry Lane all the way back to Low Street turn right, then left into Bell Lane.