

CROXTON PLANTATION BRIDLEWAYS



3.3 MILES

→ **START** Grid Reference 064136. Wide verge on Race Lane, Entering Melton Ross from Brigg, take the first road left signed Burnham, ignore left turn onto Middlegate Lane, go ahead over A180. Immediately after a wood on the right there are wide verges near a gas pumping station, careful parking on the verge.

☞ THE WALK

- 1... Facing downhill, turn left along a marked bridleway, passing the wood on the right, leading uphill then to another wood.
- 2... Bear left here past the wood (Croxton Plantation) along a grassy bridleway.
- 3... At a signed T junction, turn right along a grit lane downhill past another wood on the left (ignore the opening on the left), continue uphill.
- 4... Opposite a hedgeline on the right, turn left onto a grassy bridleway with a hedgeline to your right.
- 5... At a T junction turn left following the hedgeline on your left round a corner (hedge still on your left)
- 6... Turn left through the hedge onto a corner of a chalky farm lane, bear left towards Long Close Plantation.
- 7... Turn left along the farm lane, continue ahead to point 3, then ahead again back to Point 2 and follow the outward route to the start.

☒ **TERRAIN** An undulating route on the Lincolnshire Wolds. The start adjoins the Viking Way. The grassy bridleway between Points 1 and 2 first slopes down and then up. Level grassy bridleway is followed to point 3. A grit farm lane leads downhill then up to point 4. Fairly level grassy bridleways are followed to Point 6. Here a farm Lane leads slightly downhill through the Plantation at Point 7 then remains fairly level back to point 3, where you return on the outward route. Slopes are gentle throughout. After heavy rain puddles will accumulate in the dips.

⌚ **TIME** 1¾ hours to 2 hours.

gMaps **MAPS** O.S. Explorer 281 Ancholme Valley. N.B. Some of these Bridleways are new and not yet marked on the O.S. Map.

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