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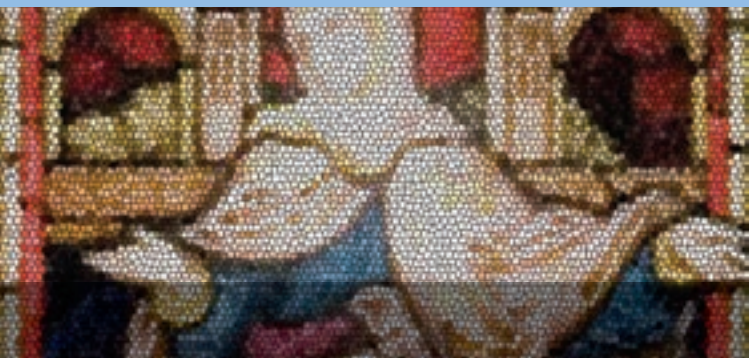
NORTHERN LINCOLNSHIRE

## TRAILS

Brigg and the  
surrounding area



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### About the Project

Over the past two millennia churches have been at the heart of communities across the country and the churches of Northern Lincolnshire are no exception. Tightly bound to the events that shaped each town or village in the county, churches are able to act almost as living museums.

Go into a church and look around. Before long you will have found something unusual – perhaps a strange mark in stone or brickwork, or an object that stands apart from its surroundings. Take the time to find out a little more about this sight and the chances are that you will have stumbled across a portal back in time. Whether this portal leads back to an epic moment in the area's history or gives a quiet insight into the life of an individual is for you to discover, but every church in Northern Lincolnshire has its own tale to tell.

In recognition of the unique position occupied by churches throughout our history the Northern Lincolnshire Heritage & Church Trails were set up to allow visitors access into these historic treasures, as well as allowing you to enjoy the area's stunning rural landscape.

Sixteen churches were selected from across the area and fitted with new heritage displays, charting the fascinating history of each town or village. Each of the churches taking part in the project opens to visitors on a regular basis.



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by The European Regional  
Development Fund



These churches are divided into four groups: Barton and the surrounding area, Brigg and the surrounding area, the Isle of Axholme and North East Lincolnshire. A guide to each area is available from each church taking part and from the Tourist Information Centres at Brigg and Cleethorpes. There are also nearby places of interest for you to visit, listed in the back of the leaflet.

Even more information can be found on the website:  
[www.churchtrails.com](http://www.churchtrails.com)



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The Northern Lincolnshire Rural Local Action Group (LAG) aims to influence and shape rural development across North and North East Lincolnshire. The funding has been made available through the Northern Lincolnshire RDPE LEADER Programme (Rural Development Programme for

England), which is jointly funded by Defra and the European Union, and is managed by Yorkshire Forward in the Yorkshire and Humber Region.



For more information about the LEADER Programme in Northern Lincolnshire, please contact the LEADER Team on 01724 297781 or visit [www.northernlincolnshirelag.org](http://www.northernlincolnshirelag.org).



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### Brigg and the surrounding area



The market town of Brigg has a long and rich history. Brigg was granted a Royal Charter by King John and has been holding regular markets for over 800 years.

Ideally placed on the River Ancholme, the town was a busy centre for trade and acted as a stop-off point for weary merchants journeying between London and York. The Angel, an attractive black and white fronted building in the Market Place, was an 18th century coaching inn and would have welcomed many of these travellers.

Standing on the edge of Lincolnshire Wolds, Brigg is surrounded by some of the area's most picturesque villages.



The neighbouring village of Scawby is home to St. Hybald's Church and its history is intricately

woven in with that of the prominent Nelthorpe family, owners of the Jacobean manor house, Scawby Hall, which they built in 1605 and still reside in today.

Scawby, alongside nearby Cadney, has a history which stretches back much further into the past. Remnants of the Roman and Anglo-Saxon occupation of the area have been found on several sites, including a Roman bath house at Sturton, near Scawby, and a burial ground at Cadney where Bronze Age artefacts were found.



Less than five miles from Brigg, Elsham is an attractive village with a varied heritage. Over the years the settlement has been shaped by the presence of a Norman abbey, the families who made Elsham Hall their home and the RAF base which was active during both World Wars.

The Low Villages run along the eastern edge of the Ancholme Valley between Brigg and Barton. The five villages – Worlaby, Bonby, Saxby All Saints, Horkstow and South Ferriby – offer spectacular views and are the perfect destination for walkers or cyclists. Closest of the five villages to Brigg is Worlaby. The church of St. Clement at Worlaby has a rare medieval incised stone dating from 1325 and several elements from older builds of the church, including a Tudor oak table and a stone effigy from the reign of Richard II.



Northern Lincolnshire is ideal cycling country. Part of the national cycle network, Sustrans 1, runs through the area and many of the churches in this project are easily accessible by bicycle. For more information about walking, cycling and public transport routes available in the area please see the website.

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### **All Saints' Church, Cadney cum Howsham**



Cadney cum Howsham is a civil parish in North Lincolnshire, historically known as the Yarborough Wapentake. The parish consists of the small villages of Cadney and Howsham, several farmsteads and a large amount of mainly arable farmland. The parish boundary is defined by water on all sides by the Old River Ancholme, Kettleby Beck and North Kelsey Beck.

First recorded as Catenai in the Domesday Book, Cadney has been spelt a variety of ways, including Cadenai, Kadenel and Kadnay. Translated the village's name means 'island or dry ground in marsh, of a man called Cada'.

To the west of Cadney stands Newstead Priory Farm. A small Gilbertine house was founded here by Henry II in 1171 and before its dissolution in 1538 it was home to a prior and five canons. All Saints' church is built on a Bronze Age burial mound, surrounded by a deep ditch. The ditch can still be seen today, incorporated into Pump Hill which runs to the south of the church.

A Bronze Age buckle was found at the site, together with human remains, during restoration work in the 1900s. The burials could have been of pre-Christian origin as they were accompanied by a type of sea shell known as Spindle Shells or Buskies. The nearest occurrence of these shells is at New Clee, 18 miles away on the coast. The shells may have been used as currency at the time.





It is probable a wooden Anglo Saxon church was on the site before the Norman invasion of 1066. However, the earliest part of the present church, the nave and south aisle, are 12th century Norman. The arches and pillars, also Norman, are built in a distinctive style for this region: several old Lincolnshire churches have similar features.

In the 13th century, a tower and chancel were added in the Great English Gothic style, the medieval 'golden age' for church building. During the 14th century the south and north aisles were widened.

In the 15th century, the height of the tower was increased and the unusual cross-shaped arrow slits were added. These were probably taken from a local fortified building such as a castle or manor house.

In the 1780s, due to disrepair, the north aisle was pulled down and replaced with a wall containing three round headed brick arched windows.

In 1863 the area suffered a terrible storm. A memo inside a book in the chapel says:

*this book was on the Communion Table on Saturday November 21st 1863, when a sudden but tremendous storm of wind from the north west and hail, carried off all the lead and a considerable part of the roof of the chancel of Cadney church throwing down the key stone of the east window breaking the glass and smashing the Communion Table top. The time the storm happened was 6 o'clock in the evening.*

**All Saints, Vicarage Lane, Cadney DN20 9HR**

Open daily 10am to dusk

Contact 01652 678871

No WC

Parking on street and in front of the church hall

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### All Saints' Church, Elsham

Elsham is thought to be one of the most desirable and unspoilt villages in North Lincolnshire, nestled on the slopes of the Lincolnshire Wolds.

The name Elsham has its origins in Anglo-Saxon times. It is one of the few Saxon-named settlements amongst the mainly Danish villages in the area. The village is referred to as Ellesham on the common seal of William de Barton, the fourth named prior of Elsham Priory who died in 1303, while the entry in the Domesday Book of 1086 quotes Elesham.



Elsham's church, All Saints, has several original Norman features including two stone relief carved panels situated either side of the main door. These 13th century carvings are in the French style and depict

the Last Judgement. On the right it is possible to see an angel and five doomed souls and on the left the raising of the dead. The stone frieze is similar to a carving on the west front of Lincoln Cathedral which also depicts the Last Judgement.

Elsham church was extensively restored in 1873 by William Scott Champion to a design he produced in 1871. The drawing can be seen on the west wall of the nave.

The Astley Corbetts lived at nearby Elsham Hall before the present owners, the Elwes family. They had their own pew in a private gallery situated over the vestry in the north transept. The gallery is a feature of the restoration in 1873 and was constructed for the sole use of members of the Hall.





The church organ is undoubtedly worth a mention. It was built by Mr Wordsworth of Leeds in 1915 and was considered by him to be one of the finest he had built for a small parish. The Beeston family played the organ in Elsham church for over 100 years.



Located on the south wall, near the font, is an oak chest thought to be over 300 years old. The chest has two locks: one for the vicar and one for the churchwardens.

Beatrice d'Amundeville, a Norman lady of high estate, built a hospital at Elsham for the poor during the early 12th century. It was administered by Augustinian canons brought over from France by Beatrice. By the early 13th century the building appears to have become a priory and there is no further mention of a hospital. The site of this building is believed to be in the grounds of Elsham Hall.

During WW1 & WW2 RAF Elsham Wolds provided a significant contribution to the war effort. A memorial to the men who flew from the base can be seen in the Anglian Water treatment plant, adjacent to the former airfield. More than 1,000 men stationed at Elsham were killed between July 1941 and April 1945. The museum is open on selected days.

### **All Saints, Church Street, Elsham DN20 0RG**

Open Wednesday 10am-4pm

Contact 01652 680705

No WC

Limited disabled access

On street parking

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### St. Hybald's Church, Scawby

Scawby is another attractive village in North Lincolnshire. Pretty stone cottages line the streets and colourful hanging baskets and tubs adorn the village throughout the summer months.

The village is located close to Ermine Street, the important Roman road passing through Lincoln on its way to York, and there is evidence of Roman settlement in the area. In the early 1800s the remains of a Roman Bath House were discovered at nearby Sturton.

The origin of the name 'Scawby' indicates that an Anglo-Saxon settlement also existed here. The ending 'by' is old Scandinavian for 'village or farmstead', while the original beginning - 'skalli' - was the owner's name. The Domesday Book reference is 'Sallebi'.

The earliest reference to the church is recorded in a list of rectors and vicars displayed in the building. The first rector was John de Godeton in 1219. It is probable that the church was built in the late 12th century to a simple Norman design.



The oldest surviving part of the present church is the lower section of the tower which originates from the late 13th or early 14th century. During the 14th century the church was appropriated by the

Augustinian Priory of Thornholme, near Broughton, where it remained until the reformation.

The church is dedicated to a 7th century Saxon saint who died in 690 AD. The church is one of four dedicated to the saint, all of which are in Lincolnshire, the others being at nearby Hibaldstow and Manton together with Ashby de la Launde, near Sleaford.



Following a fire in 1839 which damaged a church already in a poor state of repair, an almost complete rebuild was undertaken in 1840. With the exception of the lower section of the tower, a new building in the 13th century Early English style was built from locally quarried stone. It consisted of chancel, clerestoried nave of three bays, aisles, south porch and an embattled western tower, containing a clock and three bells.

The church contains many memorials to the Nelthorpe family who have contributed greatly to the life of the village and church since acquiring the Manor in 1626.

Situated near the centre of the village and beside the church is Scawby Hall, a Jacobean manor house. This Grade I listed house has been occupied by members of the Nelthorpe family since it was built around 1605. The house contains fine portraits and engravings by George Stubbs, the celebrated horse painter who lived at nearby Horkstow for a period, as well as other notable artists.

### **St. Hybald's Church, Church Street, Scawby DN20 9AE**

Open Tuesdays 10am–3pm and on Scawby Hall open days,

see [www.scawbyhall.com](http://www.scawbyhall.com)

Contact 01652 654545

WC

Disabled access, some steps in church

On street parking and parking at Scawby Hall on their open days

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### **St. Clement's Church, Worlaby**

Worlaby is a small village located on the western edge of the Wolds near Brigg. Worlabys' name is defined as 'Wulfric's farmstead or village'. Since 1086 when it was known as Uluricebi or Vluricebi in the Domesday Book it has also been spelt as Wulfrikeby, Wolrickby and Werliby.

The parish church of St. Clement was rebuilt in the 1870s by W. Scott Champion but its tower dates to the 11th century. Close to the church is an almshouse known as Worlaby Hospital. The almshouse was believed to have been built in 1663 by Lord Belasyse as thanks offering for his life being spared during the Civil war when, as a Royalist, he was imprisoned in the Tower of London.

Legend has it that there was once a teetotal squire of Worlaby that would not allow an inn in the village. Farm workers were not to be stopped though from the occasional tippie, and brewed their own beer. They stored it in a well and when they wanted a drink they just 'went down the well'. The tradition was preserved with the opening of the Wishing Well pub in 1964 which has since been demolished.

Records show that by the 13th century Worlaby church, like Thornton Curtis, Barrow on Humber and Ulceby, had come under the authority of Thornton Abbey, a situation which seems to have continued until Henry VIII's Reformation.

The church we see today is a Victorian building, in the Early English Gothic style. Built into the fabric of this church are the remains of earlier structures. The earliest record is of a Saxon church which was probably succeeded by Norman and later examples.



St. Clement's was almost completely rebuilt in the Early English style between 1873 and 1875 at a cost of £2,674. The new building incorporated several surviving Saxon elements, including the remarkable arch and parts of the north window. The new chancel was elevated with an altar of oak and a stone and marble reredos (a screen or decoration behind the altar, often depicting a religious scene).

During this time a sedilia (a stone seat for priests) was added to the south side of the sanctuary and the Saxon font was removed. The font then spent 68 undignified years as a garden tub before being returned to the church in 1941.

In the vestry is a 17th century iron chest and inside it is a piece of chain thought to belong to the chained bible. Amongst other treasures within the church is an intriguing piece of stone, apparently a holy water stoop. This vessel, containing water blessed by the priest, would have stood in the porch. On entering the church worshippers would have dipped their fingers in and signed themselves with the cross. A rare incised stone in the church dates from 1325 and is made of dense black marble; it depicts a man and a lady with dogs at their feet.

### **St. Clement's Church, Top Road, Worlaby DN20 0NN**

Open daylight hours Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday

Contact 01652 618762

Disabled WC and baby changing facilities

Disabled access

On street parking

# PLACES TO VISIT



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### Scawby Hall & Gardens



Open for 28 days during summer months, Scawby Hall is a Grade I listed Jacobean manor house set in idyllic grounds. Located in the centre of the village next door to St. Hybald's Church, the Hall is a treasure-trove with lots to discover. The Hall's significant collection

of art contains works by several notable painters and there are many pieces of period furniture. Take a guided tour of the house and learn about how the Nelthorpe family shaped the surrounding area, then explore the beautiful gardens.

#### **Scawby Hall, Vicarage Lane, Scawby DN20 9LX**

Contact 01652 654272

[www.scawbyhall.com](http://www.scawbyhall.com) / [www.scawbygardens.co.uk](http://www.scawbygardens.co.uk)

### Elsham Hall Gardens & Country Park



Called 'one of the most imaginative gardens in England', Elsham Hall is a treat for visitors. The grounds stretch over four acres and are home to an animal farm, butterfly garden and guinea pig village, as well as a sensory garden and attractively landscaped

vistas. Relax beside the lakes or take in the sights from the viewing mound after exploring everything the park has to offer. An exciting calendar of events is also on offer throughout the year.

#### **Elsham Hall, Elsham DN20 0QZ**

Contact 01652 688955

[www.elshamhall.co.uk](http://www.elshamhall.co.uk) / [www.elshamhallevents.co.uk](http://www.elshamhallevents.co.uk)





## Wrawby Postmill



Wrawby Postmill is the last of its kind in the north of England. It once provided flour for the residents of the nearby Elsham estate but is now open to visitors. See how the power of the wind is harnessed to grind flour and then look at the mill's collection of vintage farming

tools. The mill is open summer Bank Holiday Mondays and the last Sunday in June and July 2pm - 5pm.

### **Wrawby Postmill, Wrawby, Brigg DN20 8RL**

Contact 01652 653699

## Brigg Farmers' Market



Located at the Market Place in the heart of Brigg's shopping area, this award-winning, FARMA accredited farmers' market takes place on the fourth Saturday of the month and has been established for over ten years.

The farmers' market is the perfect opportunity to pick up the very best local produce and has over thirty stalls to choose from, selling fresh meats, cheese, baked goods and artisan chocolates. Throughout the year the market hosts several events but you can come along any month of the year and pick up great tips and recipes direct from the producers.

### **c/o Brigg Tourist Information Centre, Market Place, Brigg DN20 8ER**

[Brigg.tic@northlincs.gov.uk](mailto:Brigg.tic@northlincs.gov.uk)

Contact 01652 657053

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### Twigmoor Woods



The extensive woodlands at Twigmoor are a haven of peace and quiet, perfect for a leisurely stroll or walking the dog. There are 'gull ponds' and an impressive collection of rhododendrons to see, alongside the woodland birds and a mixture of established trees. In past

years there was a large house in the area. Twigmoor Hall, as it was known, was home to John 'Jack' Wright who was one of Guy Fawkes' fellow conspirators in the Gun Powder Plot. Local legend has it that much of the plot was in fact hatched at the Hall.

Car parking off the B1398, north of Kirton Lindsey

c/o The Environment Team

Contact 01724 297388

### The Pink Pig



Often rated as one of the best farm shops in the country, The Pink Pig stocks a great variety of local produce from the fields and farms of Lincolnshire. The farm also makes a great day out! Come and enjoy a delicious home-cooked meal in their welcoming café then let the little

ones explore the adventure trails. You can meet Rhubarb and Custard, the famous curly-coated pigs, as well as goats, chickens, ducks and even alpacas.

**Pink Pig Farm, Holme DN16 3RE**

Contact 01724 844466

[www.pinkpigfarm.co.uk](http://www.pinkpigfarm.co.uk)



## Mount Pleasant Windmill & Tearooms



Built in 1875, this tower mill has been restored to full working order. Now the home of True Loaf Bakery the mill is used to grind organic grains into a variety of flours that are used to produce the delicious breads and cakes cooked in the traditional wood fired oven. With tours

of the mill, a tearoom and an organic shop, this really is the place to stop off and indulge yourself.

**Mount Pleasant Windmill, North Cliff Road,  
Kirton Lindsey DN21 4NH**

Contact 01652 640177

[www.mountpleasantwindmill.co.uk](http://www.mountpleasantwindmill.co.uk)

## Brigg Tourist Information Centre



If you're thinking of coming to North Lincolnshire make a point of calling in to our friendly Tourist Information Centre at Brigg. Pick up some great ideas about places to visit in the area and find out about the latest events. You can also book theatre tickets and accommodation

for your stay, as well as picking up a souvenir or two.

If you can't make it into the centre you can still get all of this information from our website, over the phone or by email.

**Brigg Tourist Information Centre,  
Market Place, Brigg DN20 8ER**

Contact 01652 657053

[Brigg.tic@northlincs.gov.uk](mailto:Brigg.tic@northlincs.gov.uk)

[www.visitnorthlincolnshire.com](http://www.visitnorthlincolnshire.com)

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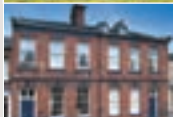
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Holcombe Guest House  
**07850 764002**



**BARNETBY**  
Rookery Farm  
**01652 688473**



**BRIGG**  
Albert House  
**01652 658081**



**BRIGG**  
Beldon House  
**01652 653517**



**BROUGHTON**  
Forest Pines Hotel & Golf Resort  
**01652 650770**



**CADNEY**  
Old Barn Bed and Breakfast  
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Croxton House  
**01652 688306**



**HOWSHAM**  
The Grange Willows  
**01652 652549**



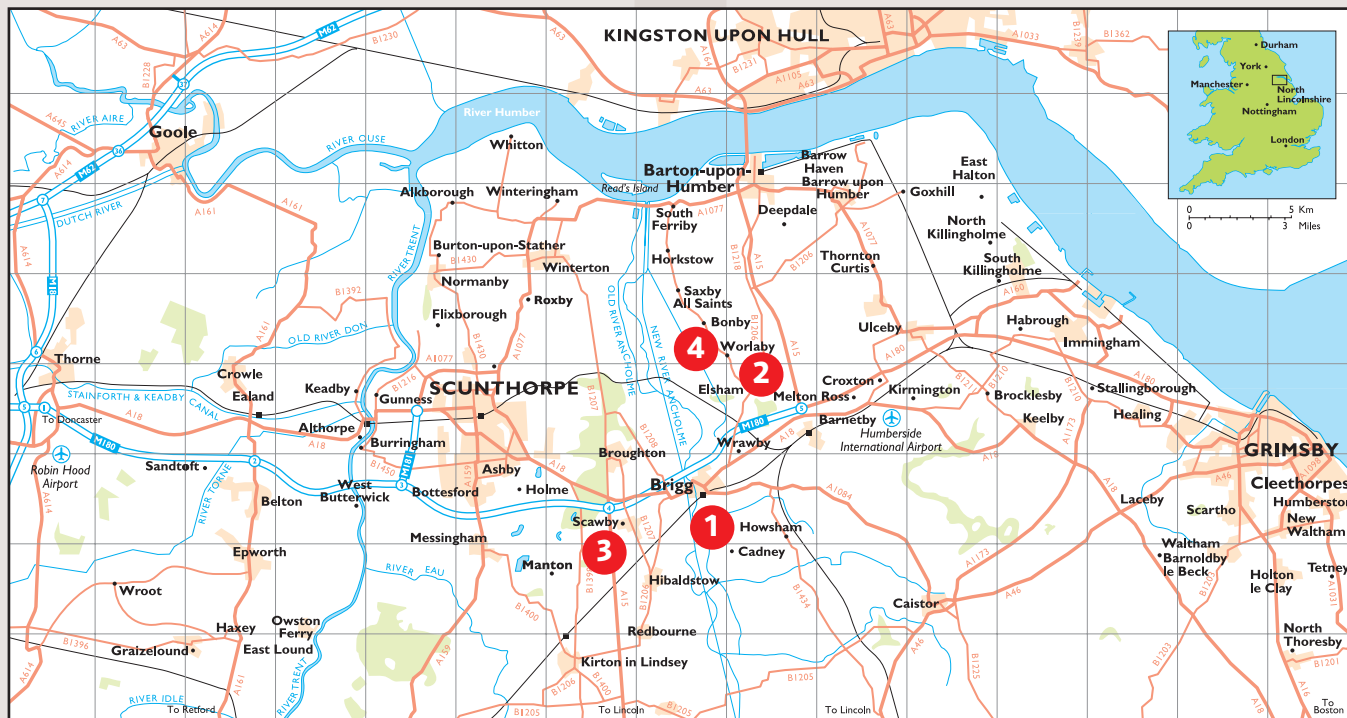
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Blink Bonny Bed & Breakfast  
**01652 680610**



**WRAWBY**  
Mowden House  
**01652 652145**



# NORTHERN LINCOLNSHIRE MAP



- 1 All Saints' Church, Cadney cum Howsham
- 2 All Saints' Church, Elsham
- 3 St. Hybald's Church, Scawby
- 4 St. Clement's Church, Worlaby

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**For more information on places to visit in North Lincolnshire contact Brigg Tourist Information Centre on 01652 657053 or go to [www.visitnorthlincolnshire.com](http://www.visitnorthlincolnshire.com)**

# PLACES TO EAT

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### **CHINA ROYAL**

6 Bridge Street, Brigg DN20 8LN  
**01652 650688**



### **THE LOFT RESTAURANT**

10 Wrawby Street, Brigg DN20 8JH  
**01652 650416**



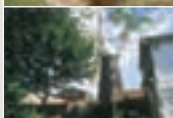
### **EIGHTEEN57 AT FOREST PINES**

Ermine Street, Broughton DN20 0AQ  
**01652 650770**



### **PINK PIG CAFÉ**

Pink Pig Farm, Holme DN16 3RE  
**01724 844466**



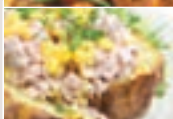
### **MOUNT PLEASANT TEAROOMS**

North Cliff Road, Kirton Lindsey DN21 4NH  
**01652 640177**



### **LE RAJ TANDOORI RESTAURANT**

20 Market Place, Brigg DN20 8LD  
**01625 656595**



### **THE SUTTON ARMS**

10 West Street, Scawby DN20 9AN  
**01652 652430**



### **THE HAYMAKER**

Main Street, Bonby DN20 0PY  
**01652 618793**



### **LIVE, LOVE & CREATE TEAROOMS**

23 Wrawby Street, Brigg DN20 8JJ  
**01652 600992**



# How to get here



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## GETTING HERE IS EASY...

Northern Lincolnshire is surprisingly easy to get to! Less than an hour's drive from the cities of Leeds, Sheffield, Lincoln and York – and only 45 minutes from the P&O Ferries terminal in Hull.

### BY ROAD

The M180 runs into the heart of the area, giving direct access to the national motorway network. It is an easy drive to Brigg from Hull (45 min), Lincoln (45 min), Leeds (1 hr), Doncaster (40 min), York and Sheffield (1 hr).

### BY BUS

Many of the churches are accessible by rural transport. Local and express services run throughout the area. Call Traveline on 08712 002233 for details.

### BY RAIL

Connections to the national rail network are available from nearby Scunthorpe. Enquiries 08457 484950.



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