

**START** 

Haxey Church, High Street, Haxey. At the end of a triangular green, just alongside the High Street, a lane leads to the Church Car Park

## THE WALK

- 1. Leave the car park turn left uphill past the Church, soon turning right into a metalled lane, follow this lane as it bends left, going slightly uphill.
- 2. A finger post on the right near the brow of the hill indicates a path going sharply diagonally right. Follow this keeping to the right where the path divides, follow the path over the hill top and down a sunken enclosed path.
- 3. At a junction with a wide track, turn right, ignore side paths.
- 4. Just after a farm cross a metalled lane (Turbary Road), the now grassy track gradually bends round to the right
- 5. The track merges into a lane and emerges at a road, turn left and cross the road
- 6. Just before the school on the right, go through a wooden gate and down into a cutting, once occupied by the Axholme Joint Railway, go ahead along here
- 7. Leave the former railway line through a gate as it meets the road. Turn right along the road
- 8. Soon after passing a road junction with a walled high green on your right turn left down a narrow enclosed way
- 9. As the path emerges into the open, turn right along a path bordering houses and gardens on your right. Open views to the left are good here.
- 10. Bend right up a lane toward the Church ahead, turn right and back to the start of the walk.

**TERRAIN** 

The walk goes over a hilltop and follows the side of the hill with good views to the north and later to the south. Initially the route goes slightly uphill descending imperceptibly and rises slightly from point 7 to the finish. The quiet road to Upperthorpe has no pavement and care must be taken here. The track from 3 to 5 is wide. Road crossings are not on busy roads. Paths can be muddy after rain

**TIME** Allow between 1 and 1 ½ hours at a leisurely pace to enjoy the views.

MAPS OS Explorer 280 Isle of Axholme