

**Walk 1:** 2 miles on quiet country roads

**Walk 2:** 2.5 miles on footpaths and quiet roads

**Walk 3:** 5 miles on footpaths and quiet roads

**For all three walks** ..... park on the church side of the track south of the church gate.

Do visit the church to see the fine Norman arch over the south door. It is worth looking inside at the window glass and the wall painting of St. Christopher, patron Saint of travellers.

*Please sign the visitor's book and mention that you are using this leaflet.*

## START OF ALL 3 WALKS

**Starting at the gate turn left downhill towards the village and at the end of the track turn left.**

Locally made cast iron furniture and fireplaces can be viewed in the foundry showrooms.

**At the T junction** (the George and Dragon can be seen to the right) **turn left towards Bergh Apton and continue along The Street.**

The first of the three terraced cottages facing onto The Street was the village post office for many years until 1989 after which there was a post office counter in the foundry until the millennium.

**At the crossroads the three walks continue separately.**

## **Walk 1 continues.....**

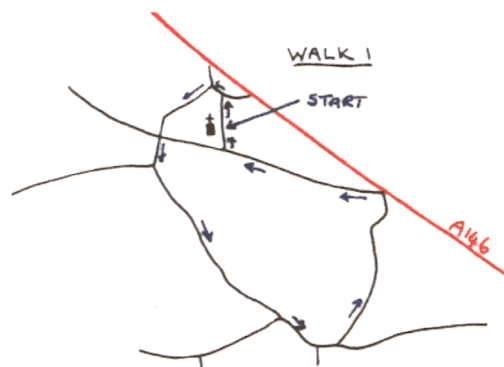
Cross straight over the crossroads into Whiteheath Road signed towards Brooke. At the sharp right hand bend turn off left into Lion Lane.

Enjoy the panoramic countryside views from this quiet lane.

Pass a small wood on the right and at the T junction turn left past Red Lion House (formerly Thurton's second public house). Continue along Langley Road to the next fingerpost. Turn left into Birch Way and follow the road as it leads uphill and round two bends. The main road comes into view but at the 'give way' sign, just before the A146, turn sharp left into Hall Road.

Shortly, the church tower can be spotted on the right, and on the left near Thurton Hall the duck pond is home to numerous ducklings in spring.

At the thatched barn turn right onto the track which leads back to the church.



## **Walk 2 continues....**

At the crossroads turn right into Cookes Road and, passing Valley Cottages on the left, continue beyond the de-restriction signs and up the hill to the double bend road sign..

Take the public footpath to the left just before the cottage and follow the path straight down along the field edge, then right, then left, passing a small wood on the right and coming out at a tarmac road.

Cross straight over to join a signed bridleway.

Continue as the route becomes a tree lined path and then back into a bridleway eventually coming out at a road with a converted barn opposite.

Turn left, following the road downhill until a finger post is reached. From here follow the signed bridleway on the left across a field corner to reach a small lane.

Turn right for a few yards and then left along a footpath which has steps and a handrail to assist the walker up the bank. The footpath crosses a field to a yellow marker sign at the corner of the hedge. Follow the path with the hedge on the left to a gap in the next hedge, and then cross the field ahead (taking care not to damage any crops) to the farm building and the next yellow marker signs pointing right and left round the building.

Through the gap in the hedge (signed footpath) and turn left on the country road. First right leads back to Thurton church.



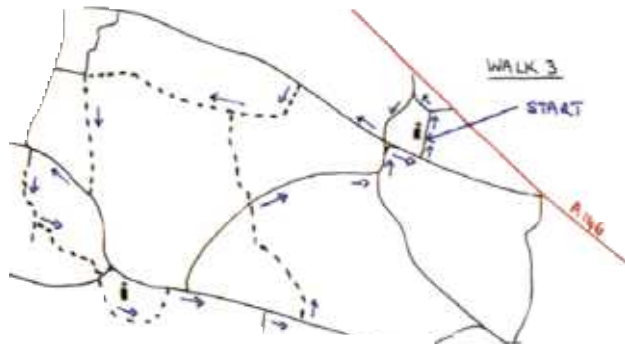
### Walk 3 continues.....

Turn right into Cookes Road at the crossroads and pass Valley Cottages on your left. Continue on beyond the de-restriction signs and up the hill to the double bend road sign.

Take the public footpath to the left just before the cottage and follow the path straight down along the field edge, then right, keeping straight on and ignoring the track on the left. Pass a bench seat on the right and continue a fair distance along this grassy track to a junction where the footpath meets a road on the right and a bridleway to the left. Turn left along the bridleway towards Bergh Apton church. Go through two gates and on reaching a road turn right.

Pass the village sign on the left and immediately before the right hand bend turn left (signed bridleway) into Church Road passing a postbox on the right. The road turns into a grassy path between a fence and a hedge and goes left and right before widening out. On the left there is a permissive bridleway sign and a stile and a gate. Take this route along a grass track which bends right then left into the next field with seats on the right.

Continue downhill in the direction of Bergh Apton church (the tower is clearly visible ahead) and follow the path as it bears left to a finger post. Pass this and continue straight on in the same direction to pass a paling fence on the left and enter a small copse leading to a gate and a road.



Turn right and immediately left, where the path passes a riding stable and goes downhill close to a fence on the right. It leads through woodland to an earth track. Turn left and passing a bungalow on the left go through an opening in a brick wall to come to a gravel track leading uphill to a country road.

Turn right and keep on this road (passing a road to the left and a phone box and junction to the right) until you reach a converted barn which is fronted by black and white bollards. Turn left along the bridleway opposite and follow this track until it comes out on a country road.

Turn right onto the road which leads back to Thurton. Pass the 30mph signs and go round the sharp left hand bend watching out for oncoming traffic. At the crossroads peel off to the right into Hall Road, going uphill towards the thatched barn on the right. Turn left here onto the track which will lead back to Thurton Church from where the walk started.



# Three Walks

starting from  
**St. Ethelbert's Church**  
**Thurton**



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