

# Wakefield District Cycle Rides

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## Eastmoor

St Swithun's Centre to Heath Common

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Allow 50 - 55 minutes



Some moderate climbs, parts of the route are quite muddy when wet, some uneven / unmade tracks, and there is a stepped footbridge to negotiate.



10.1 km / 6.2 miles

**1** Starting from the Centre, cycle down Arncliffe Road to Windmill Road. Turn right and then left onto Park Lodge Lane to cycle towards the canal. At Welbeck bridge, turn right and then take the track straight ahead towards the Southern Washlands. The perimeter track takes you past Kirkthorpe Weir, **(Waymarker 1)** before returning to the canal.

**2** Turn left before the stone bridge towards the metal river overbridge **(Waymarker 2)**. Cross the bridge and follow the track under the railway bridge, towards the wood. Turn left into the "hollow", then take the track to the right, signposted to Heath Village onto Kirkthorpe Lane.

**3** At Kirkthorpe Lane, turn right towards Heath Common. Turn right at the telephone box, then left past the old school **(Waymarker 3)** on the left to emerge back on Kirkthorpe Lane. Cross Kirkthorpe Lane, past the car park turn left past the Kings Arms Public House to return to Kirkthorpe Lane. Turn Right.

**4** Continue along the Lane to Kirkthorpe and turn left into Half Moon Lane. **(Waymarker 4)**. At the end of the lane, take the track to the left through the gate.

**5** Continue along this track, taking the right hand track through the "A" Frame to return to the "hollow". Turn right and retrace the route back and over the metal footbridge. Follow the track back to the canal, and take the track that runs parallel with the canal to Welbeck bridge. Cross the bridge, go through the gate, take the left track which leads back to the housing estate, (Gisburn Road). Turn left and then immediate right onto Windhill Road. Travel up towards Kinsley Road turn left to return to the Centre.



Kirkthorpe Weir (Waymarker 1)



River footbridge (Waymarker 2)



Old School (Waymarker 3)



Junction of Kirkthorpe Lane & Half Moon Lane (Waymarker 4)