

	LINCOLN TOURIST WALK PT 92 - 10km			
START VENUE	The route description starts at The Lawn in Lincoln, Union Road, Lincoln LN1 3BL but can be joined at the Rail or Bus Station and the Grandstand Community Centre (1) on the A57 (see car parking below) To find The Lawn, please follow the Brown Tourist Information Road signs for The Lawn in Lincoln Visitors Centre and Museum of Lincolnshire Life (admission is free). It is opposite the West Gate of the Castle. This route can also be combined with PT305 Lincoln Armistice Trail (2)			
CAR PARKING	Free parking is available alongside the Museum of Lincolnshire Life which is within 200 metres of The Lawn or Grandstand Car Park, Carholme Road, Lincoln LN1 1SE			
PUBLIC TRANSPORT	From the Rail station TL and then TR at the High Street to reach the 'High Bridge' (2). From (temporary) Bus Station – exit to High Street then TR, cross the level crossing and SO to 'High Bridge' (2). (Road works around the Rail & new bus station are due to be completed 2018.)			
GEOCACHING	The route has eight geocaches on or near the route, plus eight in the area of West Common and two in the Arboretum.			
DISTANCE/GRADE	10km - Grade 1+			
TERRAIN	The route is on well-made paths walking alongside the river, the canal, through parkland and the town centre.			
GENERAL INFORMATION	Lincoln Cathedral dominates but with a Castle, Abbey and Arboretum, Museum, Brayford Pool, old walls and gateways on route there is plenty to see. Steep Hill will prove that Lincolnshire is not flat.			
REFRESHMENTS:	There are several places to purchase food and drinks in the town centre.			
TOILETS	Public Toilets are indicated in the route description.			
BWF / IVV	This trail is registered until 31 December 2018			
ROUTE DESCRIPTION CHECK/UPDATED	15 th November 2017 (Please check you are using the latest version if you printed this off a while ago).			
BWF DECLARATION	The organisers are not liable for accidents, thefts and/or damage to property. Every effort will be made by the organisers to make this a safe, enjoyable and memorable event.			
ENTRY FORM	Please complete the section below and send your IVV log books, Payment and an SAE to the Contact Address. Please check the postage rate for weight/ thickness of the envelope. Overseas postage is more expensive.			
ENTRY FEE	£1.00 per walker (Cheques payable to: Lincolnshire Vikings Walking Club)			
AWARD	Sew-on cloth badge price £2.00. The cloth badge is shown at the top of this page. Quantity Required: _____			
SOUVENIER LOG BOOK	Free stickers for your souvenir log book are available on request. Quantity Required _____			
CONTACT/ ADDRESS FOR STAMPING OF BOOKS	Pat Charlton, 262 Wolsey Way, Lincoln, LN2 4ST Email: vov.lvwc@gmail.com			
NAMES OF THOSE COMPLETING THE WALK				
DATE WALK COMPLETED		PAYMENT ENCLOSED	£	
EMAIL	(in case we need to contact you about your entry)			
PT POSTAL CARDS	Will be stamped if you do not wish to send your IVV books - YES/NO *			
QUESTION 1		QUESTION 4		
QUESTION 2		QUESTION 5		
QUESTION 3		QUESTION 6		
If you are walking any of the following Permanent Trails and sending your IVV books in, you only need send to one organiser, they will arrange to pass your books to the other organiser who will then post back to you using your SAE. Lincoln Tourist Walk PT92, Lincoln Town & Country PT166, Nottingham PT106, Newark on Trent Jubilee Walk PT241, Hadrian's Wall PT45, Temple Newsam House & Gardens PT216, Abingdon Trail PT264, Lincoln Armistice Trail PT 305.				

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

TL = TURN LEFT; TR = TURN RIGHT; SO = STRAIGHT ON

Leave The Lawn and TL passing the West Gate of the Castle. Bear left onto Burton Road and continue along pavement, cross at Pedestrian Crossing and ahead to pass the Museum of Lincolnshire Life on your left. *This is an excellent collection of rural Lincolnshire artefacts, engines and agricultural equipment and well worth a visit.* Continue along Burton Road and at the Post Office TL into Turner Street and then TL into Mill Road. Follow this along until you come to Ellis Mill (Windmill).

QUESTION 1: Who operates the mill?

Continue to end and TR onto Upper Long Leys Road Continue down the hill and TL to traffic lights/pedestrian crossing. Cross Yarborough Road at crossing and go straight ahead on Public Footpath down Alderman's Walk (tarmac path, sign at bottom of path). *To your right is West Common, this used to be the racecourse and later you will be able to see the old grandstand to your right.* Continue keeping the common on your right, path continues on grass verge adjacent to a tarmac road.

Path continues in same direction between the common and houses to reach the main road. Cross at traffic lights/pedestrian crossing and ahead on public footpath to the right of the Carholme Golf Club Shop (1).

Follow the path which bears away from the Golf Course to reach the canal. TL and continue at all time with the canal on your right. *You are now on the National Cycle Network - Route 64. Note all the moorings on your right with a fair selection of barges, some of which are permanent residences.* The tarmac path leads onto road but keep straight on (Foss Bank). Note the Halls of Residence on your right. Where the road bends left (Harvey Street) keep straight ahead along path (still with canal on right), to pass under road bridge.

QUESTION 2: What is the name of the Sea Cadets Training Ship? (building just after bridge)

Bear right along Brayford Pool, passing the Holiday Inn Hotel on the left. (*The canal ends at Brayford Pool and you will follow the River Witham*). Continue along the brick-paved area, (*There are Public toilets at the base of the Lucy Tower Car Park*) noting the Water Feature to reach the Royal William IV Public House. *Boat Trips run from here in the summer.*

Go under the bridge and continue in the same direction with the River on your right towards the "Glory Hole" which is part of this mediaeval bridge, dating from around 1160. The Black & White building which is built over the River is the High Bridge Café. Go up the steps of the Glory Hole to emerge at the High Bridge (2) *(You can link with PT 166 Lincoln: Town and Country Walk 11km route at this point and PT 305 Lincoln Armistice Trail)*

Go ahead down Waterside South keeping the River on your left. Pass the Central Market on your right and ahead. TR onto footbridge to cross over the road. On leaving footbridge, cross River over "Thorn Bridge" and TR along Waterside North and ahead with the River on your right. Pass a footbridge and lock gates on your right and continue ahead at all times with the River on your right until just before the railway bridge. TL into Lytton Street which becomes Napier Street and ahead to the end. TR along Winn Street (not named until end, but you pass Cromwell, then Florence Street on left). When you reach the No Entry sign at the bottom of Tempest Street, enter the park through a small gate on your left. Keep left and go SO with perimeter fence on your left and blue games enclosure fence on right. At the information board TR.

QUESTION 3: What centuries are mentioned for the later building? (see plaque high up on wall of main abbey ruin)

Note the history statements on the path (they are reverse to the direction you are walking in).

TL on path towards play area then left again with Bowling Green on your left and exit park at gates by telephone box. TL and continue along Monks Road to the crossing by the school. Cross the road and then TL. At the end of the school complex TR through gate in railings into the Arboretum. (*The gates to The Arboretum will be locked from 10pm to 7am, however we would not advise walking the route at this time - but if you are, after crossing the road TR then TL up Millman Road (just after the school) and at the top TL into Sewell Road - Continue ahead to Lindum Terrace and ahead passing the Arboretum on your left - now back on route - marked * below).*

Follow path and bear left, cross bridge and ahead up slight incline to reach the Lion. At Lion continue straight ahead and then take right-hand path passing metal shelter, following path as it curves right and then ahead, across bottom of steps, keeping to the path again as it curves right uphill to fountain. Keep heading uphill on path, passing end of houses and follow path as it curves uphill to wall and exit through gateway. TL along Lindum Terrace. * TR into Upper Lindum Street and at the end cross road at pedestrian crossing and TL and continue downhill. TR into Pottergate, noting the Stone Archway. Continue and TL into Minster Yard and next Left (signposted Medieval Bishops Palace) into Greestone Place. (*You will return later to the Cathedral for a look round*). Continue downhill, stopping to look at the Tithe Barn on your right, *this is where the people paid one-tenth of their wages to the church in medieval times.*

QUESTION 4: When was the Tithe Barn badly damaged? (see middle information board)

Continue down Greestone Stairs. At bottom TR. Continue downhill on pavement and TR through gateposts into Temple Gardens. Continue on path in front of Usher Gallery and ahead to the road. *Opposite is the award-winning museum known as the Collection. The Collection is open: 10am to 5pm seven days a week (Closed: Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day). Admission is free. The Collection includes a wealth of artefacts from the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages, Roman, Saxon, Viking and Medieval eras as well as fine, decorative and contemporary visual arts.*

TL downhill passing post box to Pedestrian Crossing. Cross road on crossing and TR and then TL into Flaxengate. At end, cross again using crossing and TL then TR into Free School Lane. Continue to pass the Drill Hall and Library to end, then TR along Saltergate passing Waterside Shopping Centre on your left. In the vaults of the Royal Bank of Scotland (on your right) there is part of the City Walls; the area is occasionally open to the public on a Saturday. Follow on to reach the Stonebow and Guildhall (Archway).

QUESTION 5: What does the Stonebow replace? (see plaque)

TR through the Stonebow and continue ahead up the High Street, crossing 2 roads. Just before the road forks, on the right is a Black & White building called The Cardinals Hat, take the RIGHT fork which is a cobbled street, called STRAIT (street sign is high up on your left). Continue up the cobbled street passing the Jews House/Jews Court on left and on to cobbled street now called STEEP HILL.

At the 5-way junction continue straight on and upward to the top of Steep Hill - Congratulations. TR at Tourist Information Centre (T.I.C) into Exchequergate, through archway to the Cathedral. Pass to the right-hand side of the Cathedral following wall. TR through doorway/gap in wall (if gate closed - continue along wall to end of Cathedral, crossing road - re-join route at ** below), signed Edward King House, Church House and Medieval Bishops Old Palace. Go through passageway and down path to emerge opposite Bishops Palace. TL and go through 2 arches then TL to the Cathedral. Cross the road and TR **. Bear left along end of Cathedral towards Priory Gate (3 archway). TL just before Priory Gate and follow to the Statue of Tennyson.

Go up steps and cross road to view the North Tower of the Roman Eastgate ruins - the gateway was rebuilt in the 3rd Century. TL along Eastgate and immediately TR into East Bight with the Bishops House wall on your left.

Follow the road round to the left and ahead to end. *Take time to stop and look at the information boards on your right and see the Roman Defences, the City Wall and Interval Tower in the two back gardens.*

At the end of East Bight look to your right to see the old Newport Arch and can you imagine how it ties in with the ruins you have just seen?

TL to look at the Newport Arch information board

QUESTION 6: What was the original height of the Newport Cottage Wall? (see middle panel)

Continue Straight on along Bailgate to pass the Methodist Church on your left and the Duke William on your right.

Cross over and continue noting the two Roman Arches just after The Duke, the base of a Roman Portico discovered in 1878. Follow on passing the Assembly Rooms - note the stone sets in the road - these are the old Roman Arches. *Opposite the Prince of Wales pub - take time to view the Forum of Roman Lincoln, the Roman Well, Herb Garden and the site of St Pauls in the Bail - all of which have been renovated in recent years and are overlooked by the Castle Walls.* Continue as before, passing the Lion and Snake pub. *Take time to explore old Lincoln with its range of shops.*

SO, passing the White Hart and onto the cobbles of Castle Square. TR at the Tourist Information Office. *Castle Square is edged by the Judges Lodgings, Pemberton House.* (Public Toilets are available by the entrance to the car park).

SO into the Castle (entrance to the Castle is free from 1000-1700 most days with entrance fees payable for the various attractions. When the Castle is closed please follow the alternative route marked ***). Once through the Castle entrance go straight forward to the Lincoln Crown Court building. TR on path in front of the building and follow the path round the building. *As you turn left look at the bronze relief map of the Castle (on your right).* Exit the Castle by the West Gate and cross the road. You are now back at The Lawn and the information boards are on your left.

*** Turn Left into Drury Lane. Bear right to follow Drury Lane to end. Continue ahead and then TR into Union Road. Follow back to The Lawn in Lincoln on your left**

Take time to look at the information boards with details of the history of The Lawn and the West Gate of the Castle. Pioneering physicians, Doctor F. Willis and Doctor E. Charlesworth, opened the doors to the magnificent Lawn building, largely financed through public subscription and which became the County's first hospital purposely built for the mentally ill. The spacious and handsome structure continued to serve until 1985, when it retired from life as a National Health Service facility and after 170 years it was closed.

Welcome back, Lincolnshire Vikings Walking Club hopes you enjoyed the Lincoln Tourist Walk.