

Additional Information for this walk

Crayke has a long history dating back to the Bronze Age. The village remained part of the Bishopric and also the County of Durham until the mid 19th century. Both the present castle and the church date back to the 15th century although their histories go back much further

Marton Abbey Farm is built on the site of an old Priory, evidence of which can just be seen in the field on your right. Some well preserved ecclesiastical carved stones are built into the wall surrounding the front doorway to the house.

Information

This walk is one in a series prepared by people from Stillington for the enjoyment of visitors and villagers.

Walk 1	Marton Circular	3 miles
Walk 2	Moxby Pram	4 miles
Walk 3	Crayke via Bumper circular	8½ miles
Walk 4	Marton Pram	2½ miles
Walk 5	Walking the Parish Boundary	10 miles
Walk 6	Wigginton Lane End bus walk	8½ miles
Walk 7	Moxby Circular	4 miles
Walk 8	Illustrated Map of Stillington	

All the walks in the series are available as a free download from the village website: www.stillingtonvillage.org, or in a printed form for a small charge from the village post office (the starting point for all the walks).

Maps: OS Explorer Maps 299 and 300
OS Landranger Map 100

“Please follow the country code”



Since July 2003 the Stillington Post Office & Stores has been run as a community shop, purchased by the village community and operated largely by volunteers. A full range of sandwiches, snacks and drinks is available to sustain you on your walk.

Opening Hours

Monday - Friday	6.30am-5:30pm
Saturday	6:30am-1:00pm
Sunday	Closed

Stillington Local Walks

Walk 5

Walking the Stillington Parish Boundary

Start of Walk:

Stillington Post Office and Stores

Distance:

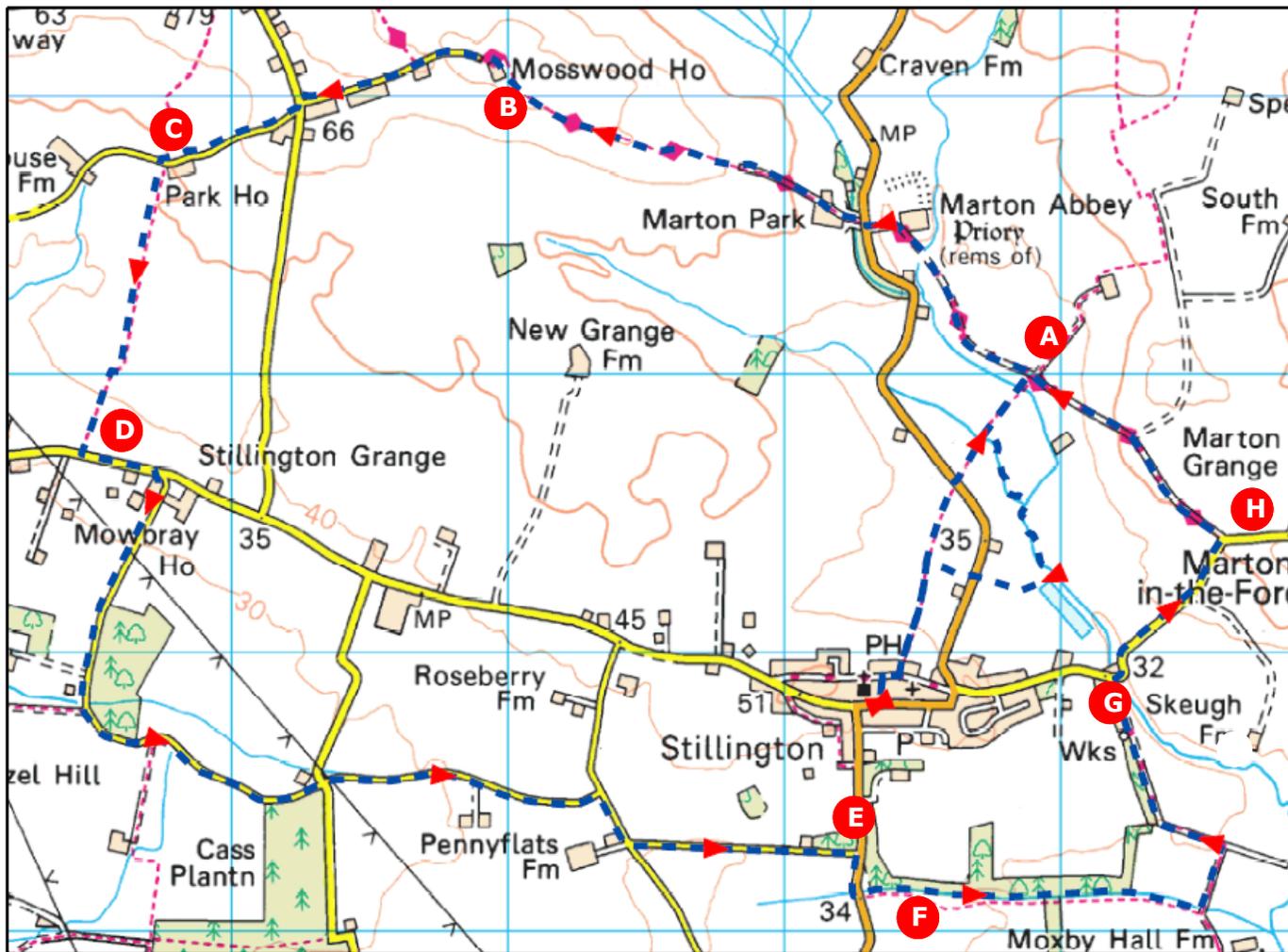
Approximately 10 miles (16 km)

There are a number of points where the walk can be shortened

Allow 5 hours walking time

Grade:

easy walking – the route is flat and for the greater part reasonably well waymarked



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A circular walk from Stillington

Cross the road from the Post Office & Stores and take the snicket to the right of the Old Vicarage into North Back Lane. Turn right and then take the footpath going north from opposite the rear entrance to Stillington Primary School, known locally as Lucy Balk; walk straight ahead for just $\frac{3}{4}$ mile to Brandsby Road known as Jack Lane; join the footpath almost opposite and walk across the field; go over the drainage ditch and then straight over the next field to the white bridge over the River Foss; turn left onto the lane known as Harryfield Lane and you are now on the Foss Walk.

A Continue along the lane, through 2 gates, to the left of Marton Abbey Farm to again reach Jack lane. Cross the road turning to the right, and take the drive to Marton Park Farm on the left. Bear right through the farm and continue ahead on the well marked farm track.

B After 1 mile you approach Mosswood House. Follow the waymarked diverted footpath round the house and go down Mosswood Lane. Ignore the Foss Walk which branches off northwest to Crayke and continue along the lane down to the Crayke Road. Turn left along the road and

then turn right after 50 yards onto Daffy Lane. Walk along the lane for half a mile until you reach Southfields and Park House Farm on your left. Take the footpath left, just past the farm buildings, heading south.

C Follow the path along the field edges, continuing south. Following way markers, the path takes a short turn to the right, before heading south again to the main Easingwold Road, West Lane.

D Turn left along the road, past West Lane Farm, then turn right onto Green Lane. You follow this quiet road for the next 2 miles, crossing straight over the junction with the Hubby Road; when you reach a T junction turn right and after 200 yards bear left along Roseberry Lane.

E After $\frac{3}{4}$ mile you reach the T junction with the main York Road; turning left returns you to Stillington in about a quarter of a mile; to continue the walk turn right and after 150 yards take the footpath on the left over the horse gate.

F The clear path continues ahead for 1 mile, following the ditch. When you come to a tarmac lane, turn left over the concrete bridge and along the lane to the gate. At the gate, turn left and continue along the lane, past the sewage facility (!), and to Stillington Mill.

G Turning left is a short cut back to the village. To continue the walk, turn right over the bridge and up the hill. Near the top of the hill, return to the Foss Walk along Harryfield Lane which is the track to the left when the road continues quite sharply to the right.

H Continue along the lane for just under a mile until you reach the point where you first joined the Foss Walk. Turn left onto the White Bridge over the River Foss and retrace your steps across the first field. Crossing the ditch, you may either return direct to the village or you can take the permissive footpath to the left, where it skirts the field edge to the River Foss, follows the river bank and then along the field edge to the right and back onto Brandsby Road / Jack Lane between Leatham Cottage and Pond Cottage Antiques. The permissive path can be picked up again to the south of Pond Cottage and straight ahead to the footbridge; turn left here up the Lucy Balk footpath to the village and North Back Lane.