

## Information

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

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All the walks in the series are available as a free download from the village website: [www.stillingtonvillage.org](http://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 7

## Moxby Circular

### Start of Walk:

Stillington Post Office and Stores

### Distance:

Approximately 4 miles (6½ km)

Allow 2 hours walking time

### Type of walk:

A circular walk from the village which uses footpaths, bridleways and roads – including a couple of short sections which are quite busy with fast traffic

## A circular walk from Stillington

With the Post Office behind you turn right down the main street. Continue to the bend and bear left to the Village Green. Take the road on the right, signposted Farlington and Sheriff Hutton.

**A**

Continue down this road, past the houses and Home Farm until you reach Stillington Mill on your left. The bridge past the Mill crosses the River Foss, very small here but much larger by the time it flows into the Ouse at York. At one time there was a whole series of mills along the river. Stillington Mill continued to operate until the 1960's and is now converted for residential use and offers holiday accommodation

**B**

Take the track to your right opposite the mill. This is a flat metalled road only used by vehicles requiring access. It is marked on maps as Skeugh Lane, a word of Viking origin. Continue past Stillington Waste Water Treatment Works and proceed round the bend until you reach a farm gate on your right. From here-on the road is privately owned and follows a public bridleway. At the end of the next field there is a wooden signpost which bears a notice explaining that this is a Conservation Walk under the Countryside Stewardship Scheme.

**C**

Continue along the metalled road to the three Moxby Farms. In the field to the rear of Moxby Hall farm, but not accessible to the public, is the site of the former Moxby Priory, founded in the twelfth century. It was never very large, housing some ten nuns, and was a companion foundation to Marton Abbey some 3km to the North. Following the Dissolution in the sixteenth century both these establishments disappeared but vestiges, in the form of stones or carving, may be found in local farms as well as in Marton-in-the-Forest Church.

**D**

Continue past Moxby Priory Farm and bear right when the track does and continue to Moxby Moor Farm. There is no longer a farmhouse here but the farm buildings are very much in use. The footpath crosses the field to the South of the buildings through kissing gates but it is normally acceptable to keep on the firm surface round the buildings. Once beyond the buildings you can continue on the tarmac track and come out on the York road.

**E**

**This is a busy road, with fast traffic.** Turn right and walk beside the road for about a hundred yards before turning left through the hedge by a footpath sign. Carry on along the grass margin with the hedge on your right and cross over the stile at the far end. The field beyond, which at times can be muddy, leads you to a track past Ravensdale farm and out onto the highway beyond.

**F**

Turn right and proceed along the road up the hill and bearing right at the junction opposite a cottage. You are in Roseberry Lane, where once there were brickworks.

**G**

A short way along there is a wayside seat. Further along there is a view across the fields to Stillington. There was formerly a pond in the field to the South of the Village and it still often floods. At the 'T' junction you are once more on the busy road to York. Turn left and in a third of a mile you are back in the Village, passing on your way, first the sports ground and then the Soutersfield houses. Finally a right turn at the 'T' junction takes you back to the Post Office.

