

Over the Moors to Lealholm

Another favourite walk, has to be done at least once every visit to Ugthorpe. The start of this walk could be the reverse of the last part of the Bog Walk. However for something a bit different; after you have left the campsite via the assault course and the small bridge turn immediately left, follow the fence line and continue straight towards the road emerging



(after a bit of a struggle with the undergrowth) somewhere to the left of the bus shelter



Cross the

road and go right.

When you reach the signs to Ugthorpe and Lythe go left down the footpath, you are now firmly on the reverse BogWalk.



The clear path takes you down into the small valley

through the gate into the field, angle slightly right uphill towards the gate in the fence, cross the next field to its corner and exit onto the road; here's where you and the BogWalk part company.



Left over the cattle grid and at the bottom follow the road round right past



the (possibly abandoned) pig hut and the



horses down into the valley. Keep on the road till you reach the bottom farm then go up on the track to the right of the farm.

Up and up to emerge into a field, keep straight on, path fairly well marked and go by the wall.



If it's windy this is a good place to attempt flying

marked footpath sign. IGNORE the sign, instead angle slightly right and past the sheep feeder metal thingy. Keep going until you



The end of the wall and a gate with a clearly



meet the double ruts of the landrover transport route; go left and follow this often



muddy track until you meet the gravel track (about right angles to the moor track you have followed) which would lead you up to Danby beacon if you so

desired (go right if you want to do this). Near where you emerge from the boggy moor take the track leading down towards Lealholm. You can't miss it because there is a signpost for the







Esk Valley walk at the corner. Soon after the sign there is a small stone bridge (quite new) across the side gully and a monks' trod leading up to the top of the small hill.



From here just keep going down, onto tarmac, down, down down into Lealholm village. Part way down the hill another trod and some very noisy geese.



Over the railway bridge, past the village hall then go left by the hall and down the back of the graveyard into the village proper. There's lots to find: public toilets, the

Board Inn, Stepping Stones, Flood Markers, a Quaker graveyard, Plant Centre, nice cafe and so on.







When it's time to return, retrace your footsteps to the top of the hill (by this time it's probably raining) where the side road you came down leaves the main road. You can either completely retrace the outward route or go for the challenge

which is to head off up the marked footpath towards the top of the hill and the trod.



down to the gravel track; when you reach this go right along it till you come to the footpath

Then angle right and down to the gravel track; when you reach this go right along it till you come to the footpath signs then head off left into uncharted moorland, eventually you'll reach a tarmac road, go over it and back onto the moor; eventually down past a wall to the sharp bend in the road. If you get lost then follow the roads round to point X on the map.



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This minor road takes you up to the main road but you can cut the corner about 200m short of the junction.



