

# Bilsborrow Pub Walk

*An attractive circular walk along the Lancaster Canal and River Brock, through fine open country.*

## Terrain

This easy walk takes in a colourful section of the Lancaster Canal, the popular River Brock, pleasant farmland and the historic village of Bilsborrow.

## Distance

Approximately 6.4km (4 miles). Allow 1½ to 2 hours to complete the walk.

## The Route

Please observe the Countryside Code at all times.

1. From cricket pavilion car park cross the footbridge over Bacchus Brook, and under another footbridge. Turn left and head towards Guys Thatched Hamlet and through the Square towards the canal. Turn left onto the towpath. Follow the Lancaster Canal along under Bridge 45 to Brock Aqueduct. Continue along the towpath.
2. Pass underneath Bridge 47 (every bridge along the canal has a number) and go up the steps and on to the pavement. Turn left and go down the pavement beside the A6 (ignore the first fingerpost) and continue past the roundabout, to a second fingerpost at the car showrooms.
3. At the fingerpost, turn left and through to the railway crossing with gates and lights. Cross the main line with care. This was the site of the Brock railway station. Continue straight along the track which meets the River Brock (on your right), pass under the M6 bridge. Follow the track up to an aluminium footbridge on the right.
4. Cross the footbridge over the River Brock. At the fingerpost, take the footpath towards the building which takes you past the ruins of Matshead Paper Mill on your left. Cross a cobbled yard and go through a gap to the left of the garage, continue straight on and go through a gate on your left, in the fence. Follow the path through the garden into a small field. Cross the small field to another stile straight ahead. Follow the footpath along the edge of the field, keeping the hedge on your right, into a second field (passing a metal gate), and across a wooden footbridge at Bull Brook. Continue along a concrete footpath to Bilsborrow Hall Farm. Pass through the centre of the cow shed and continue through the farmyard out onto Bilsborrow Lane.
5. Turn right and follow Bilsborrow Lane down over the motorway bridge. From here there are picturesque views to the North and East of Beacon Fell, Parlick Pike, Fairsnape and Bleasdale Moors. Continue along the pavement, passing a Wesleyan Methodist Chapel. Follow the pavement down over Bilsborrow Lane Bridge which crosses the Preston to Lancaster Railway.
6. Immediately after the railway bridge, take the road on your right, which is Church Lane. Follow the pavement past St. Hilda's Church which was built with funds left in the will of Sarah Jane Salisbury of Myerscough Hall and consecrated in 1927. Today new houses have been built on the land and the crescent is known as Ballet Hill.
7. At the A6 turn right, cross at the road island and continue a short way up the road. Turn left into Myerscough Hall Drive, go over the canal at Bridge 45, down the steps and follow the towpath back to Guys Thatched Hamlet.

## Nearby Places of Interest

Guys Thatched Hamlet and Owd Nell's Tavern  
Lancaster Canal  
River Brock

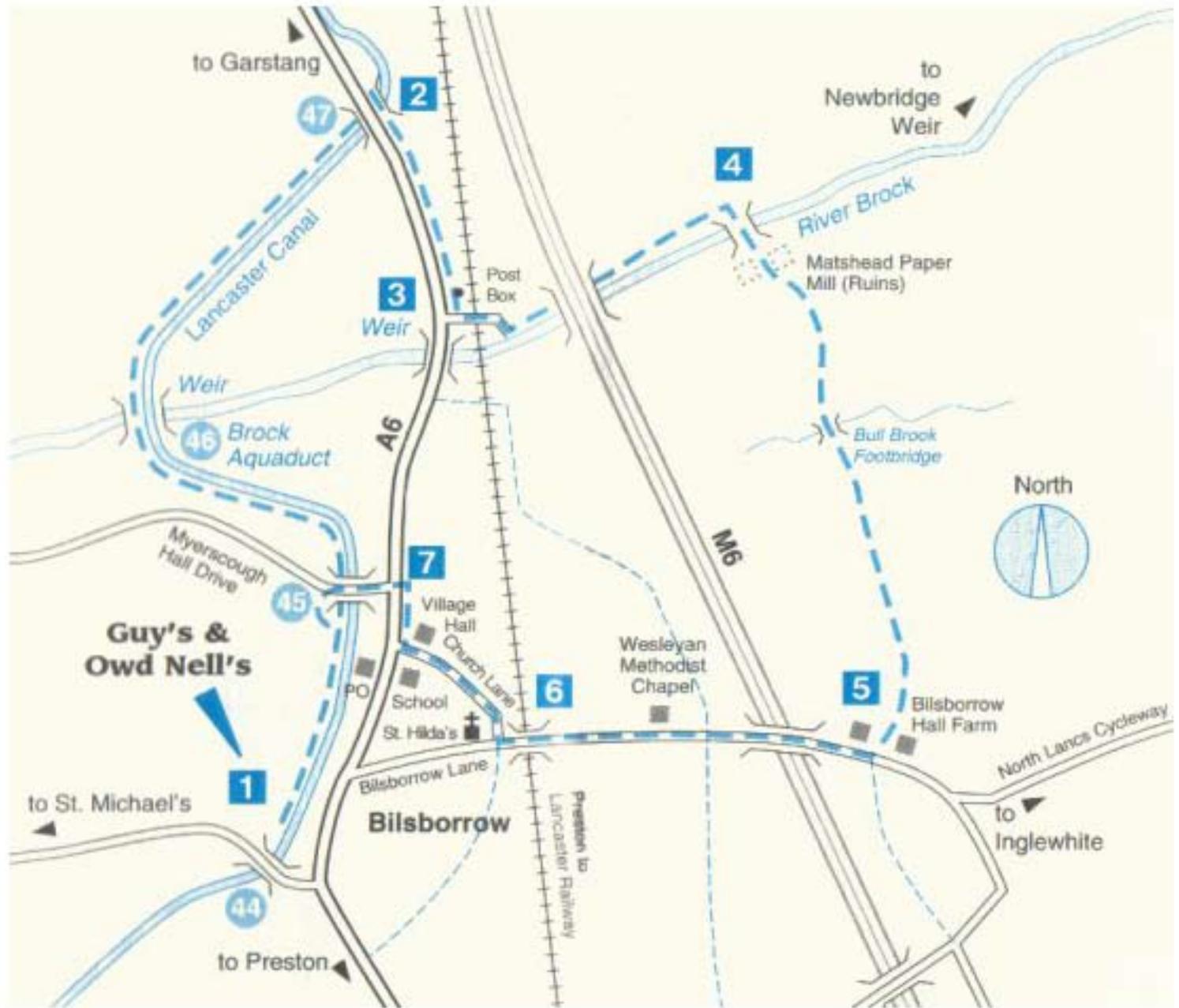
## Bilsborrow Pub Walk can be found at:

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St. Michael's Road  
Bilsborrow  
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# Map details for Bilsborrow Pub Walk



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