

Waymarking

Throughout its length the Viking Way logo will appear on signs, guiding you along the route. Look out for the logos on “footpath”, “bridleway” and “byway” signs as well as attached to waymark posts and directional road signs. On road sections through villages, short green directional signs with the Viking Way logo in the centre will be attached to signposts/lamp posts.

There is a slight variation in the waymarking style from county to county.



Diversions

Inevitably, temporary or permanent diversions may occur on the Viking Way from time to time. In such cases, the path will be clearly signed and waymarked. Please follow the signs in these cases.

Maps

The scale used in this book is approximately 1:50,000, with the exception of Lincoln City which is slightly larger. The maps in the guidebook are sufficiently detailed for you to follow the route of the Viking Way without the need for extra maps. Should you wish to find nearby villages or identify landmarks you may like to use Ordnance Survey Maps. The following Ordnance Survey maps cover

General Information

the route of the Viking Way and can be used to supplement the information contained in this guidebook.

Landrangers (1:50,000)

112 113 121 122 130 141

Explorers (1:25,000)

15 247 272 273 281 282

Equipment

The Viking Way lies almost entirely on farmland and has few steep gradients so lightweight boots will be adequate.

Much of the route follows rights of way through sparsely populated land and it is important that a few basic essentials are carried with you: Waterproofs, Drink, Compass, Torch, Whistle, First Aid Kit, mobile phone, High Energy food (glucose/mintcake), Sun protection cream, Hat (for sunny weather), and a survival bag (in case you injure yourself and have to wait for help).



This will enable you to walk comfortably, confident in the knowledge that you are covered for most situations.

Country Code

Throughout most of its length the Viking Way passes through farmland. It is, therefore, important that you follow the Country Code.

- Enjoy the countryside and respect its life and work.
- Guard against all risk of fire.
- Fasten all gates.
- Keep your dogs under close control.
- Use gates and stiles to cross fences, hedges and walls.
- Take your litter home.
- Help to keep all water clean.
- Protect wildlife, plants and trees.
- Take special care on country roads.
- Make no unnecessary noise.

Tourist Information

To obtain further details about other attractions and accommodation in the region, the local Tourist Information Centres can be contacted or visit www.visitlincolnshire.com

Horncastle Tourist Information Centre
Wharf Road
Horncastle
Lincs
LN9 5HL (Tel No: 01507 601111)

Woodhall Spa Tourist Information Centre
The Cottage Museum
Iddesleigh Road
Woodhall Spa
Lincs
LN10 6SH (Tel No: 01526 353775)
(Summer months only)

Lincoln Tourist Information Centre
9 Castle Hill
Lincoln
LN1 3AN (Tel No: 01522 545458)

Rutland Water Tourist Information Centre
Sykes Lane Car Park
Empingham
Rutland Water North Shore
Rutland
LE15 8PX (Tel No: 01780 686800)
(Open 11-4 daily from Easter - Oct, then weekends only)

Grantham Tourist Information Centre
The Guildhall
St Peter's Hill
Grantham
NG31 6PZ (Tel No: 01476 406166)



Who to Report Problems to

Responsibility for the route lies with four agencies.

Should you come across any problems on the route that need reporting (eg, a missing sign or a broken stile), we would be happy to hear from you.

In North Lincolnshire

Rights of Way
North Lincolnshire Council
Pittwood House
Ashby Road
Scunthorpe
DN16 1AB
www.northlincs.gov.uk

In Lincolnshire

Countryside Access
Lincolnshire County Council
County Offices
Newland
Lincoln
LN1 1YL
www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/countryside

In Leicestershire

Rights of Way
County Hall
Glenfield
Leicester
LE3 8NA
www.leics.gov.uk

In Rutland

Rutland County Council
Catmose
Oakham
Rutland
LE15 6HP
www.rutland.gov.uk

