

# Great Houghton lake walk

March 2019

## Walk

Approx. 4 3/4 miles

Approx 2/3 walk is on road/farm tracks; 1/3 across fields (some of which are uneven & muddy).

Starts (& finishes) in car park of the  
White Hart  
39 High Street  
Great Houghton  
NN4 7AF  
(nr Northampton)

## Directions

Destination is:

White Hart

Post code for sat nav is NN4 7AF

Approx 22 miles, 32 mins

## Stileometer

Reads 4 for this walk.

## Inclineometrics

Total of the 'ups' (not all in one go) is approx. 250ft)

There are two small inclines, the one near the end of the walk comes with a handy rail to assist in the ascent.

There is one 'down', which depending on the weather may require a short detour.

## Dining arrangements

White Hart [www.whiteharthoughton.co.uk](http://www.whiteharthoughton.co.uk)

## Looavailability

There should be access to the loos, but you are asked not to wear boots when using.

## Optional quiz

In Little Houghton

- 1 What metal can you find in the village?
- 2 Who might need therapy?
- 3 Where do you need to ring three bells to enter?

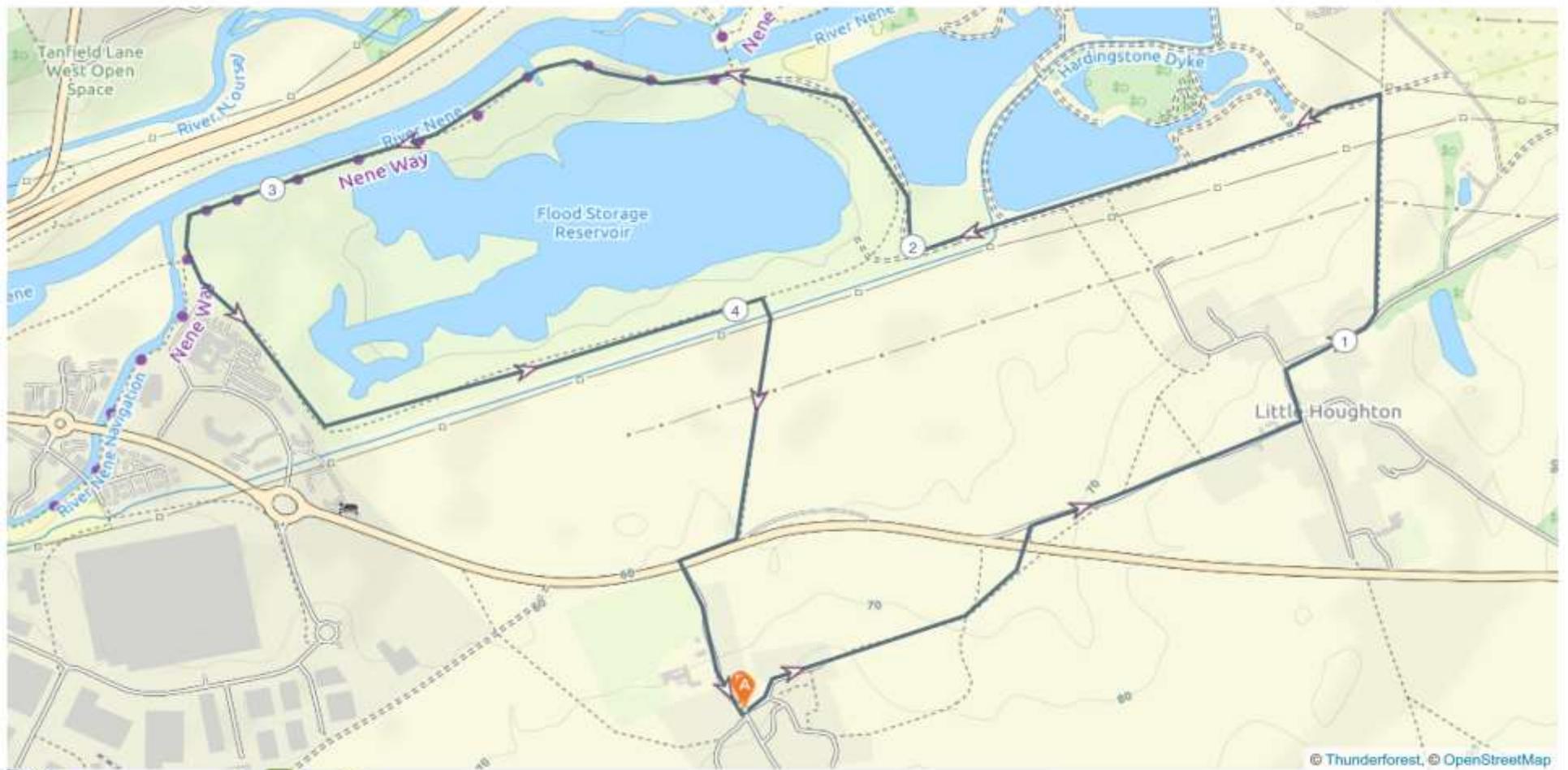
Beyond Little Houghton

- 4 Where might you take a bath?
- 5 Which of Father Christmas's reindeers lives near here?

## **Walk directions**

Turn right out of the White Hart car park & walk down High Street, past front of pub,  
Turn right and right to walk along "The Cross".  
Keep left to take Cherry Tree Lane.  
Pass the Old Cherry Tree pub & leave Great Houghton by gate at the end of the road.  
Aim to the right of Little Houghton church, almost straight ahead, down to muddy gate.  
After negotiating this, turn slightly left (not along the hedge), bearing to the right of a  
driveway sloping up to the road.  
Cross the footbridge, and carry straight on in the same direction up to a gate that  
comes out onto the Bedford Road.  
Cross the road and walk down to the 2<sup>nd</sup> road.  
Turn right up this road towards Little Houghton  
Turn left at crossroads into Meadow Lane  
Turn right into Station Road  
Turn left onto footpath at end of village  
Walk diagonally across field  
Turn left onto abandoned railway  
Carry straight on across a bridge and through a gate, & up onto Hardingstone Dyke.  
Turn right onto bank around lake  
Follow path all way around lake  
Follow path past offices & car park (on left)  
Continue to follow path around lake, back in direction of abandoned railway  
Turn right at bridge over stream  
Follow footpath diagonally across field to road  
Turn right along Bedford Road  
Turn left up High Street back to White Hart.

### Unnamed Route



276 ft

161 ft