

# Paston Footprints: Bacton Circular



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## Route Summary

A 4.3 km circular route, exploring  
Paston History in Bacton

# What is an access audit ?

An access audit looks at the suitability of a trail for people with mobility impairments. We measure 12 parameters that are relevant for people accessing the countryside. If these are exceeded they are detailed in these booklets.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Standard threshold for recording</b>
Surface condition	The path is not firm, stable and non slip
Barriers to wheelchair users	When steps or stiles present
Path width	The Path less than 1200mm wide
Restriction	Restriction to the path less than 815mm wide
Ramp Gradient	The slope along the path is steeper than 1:10
Rise of Ramp	Ramp sustained for more than 950mm without resting place
Cross Gradient	The slope across the path is greater than 1:35
Steps	Steps greater than 15mm high
Resting places	No bench or other seat after 300m
Passing places	Paths below 1200mm should have a wider passing place every 150m
Surface breaks	The path surface has a gap greater than 12mm wide
Clear Walking Tunnel	The path is clear to a width of 1200mm wide and to a height of 2100mm

The access audit shows the position and measurements where these threshold standards are **not met** as well as benches and other facilities.

# Points of Interest



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## Bacton Circular

Bromholm Priory was a major centre for pilgrimage in the 13th and 14th centuries. The ruins stand today and via our website a digital reconstruction of the original great Priory building can be seen. Enjoy walking part of the 3.5mile (5.6km) or short route of 2.5miles meditative Pilgrim route towards the Priory, which includes the beautiful sandy Bacton beach. Judge William Paston had many dealings with the Prior of Bromholm, and William's son John was buried with great ceremony at the Priory in 1466.

Parts of the route use unmade roads and tracks that are uneven and soft going in places, making those sections very challenging to a wheelchair user

There is an accessible cafe on the route (9), with outside seating and an accessible toilet. There are several benches along the route (as well as those noted at 4 & 10)

This walk has been audited to support people accessing the countryside and to improve quality of life. The walk audit checked for potential accessibility difficulties along the route. A Maps is provided on p6 showing point numbers which correspond to photos and descriptions of these areas so that you can decide if this walk is suitable for you



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**Start point:** St Andrews Church, Bacton, NR12 0JT. TG335336 .



**Distance:** 2.7 miles/4.3 km



**Accessible facilities:** Accessible toilets at Coast Road, Bacton. RADAR key



**By car:** St Andrews Church, NR12 0JT or Coast Road Pay/display NR12 0EW

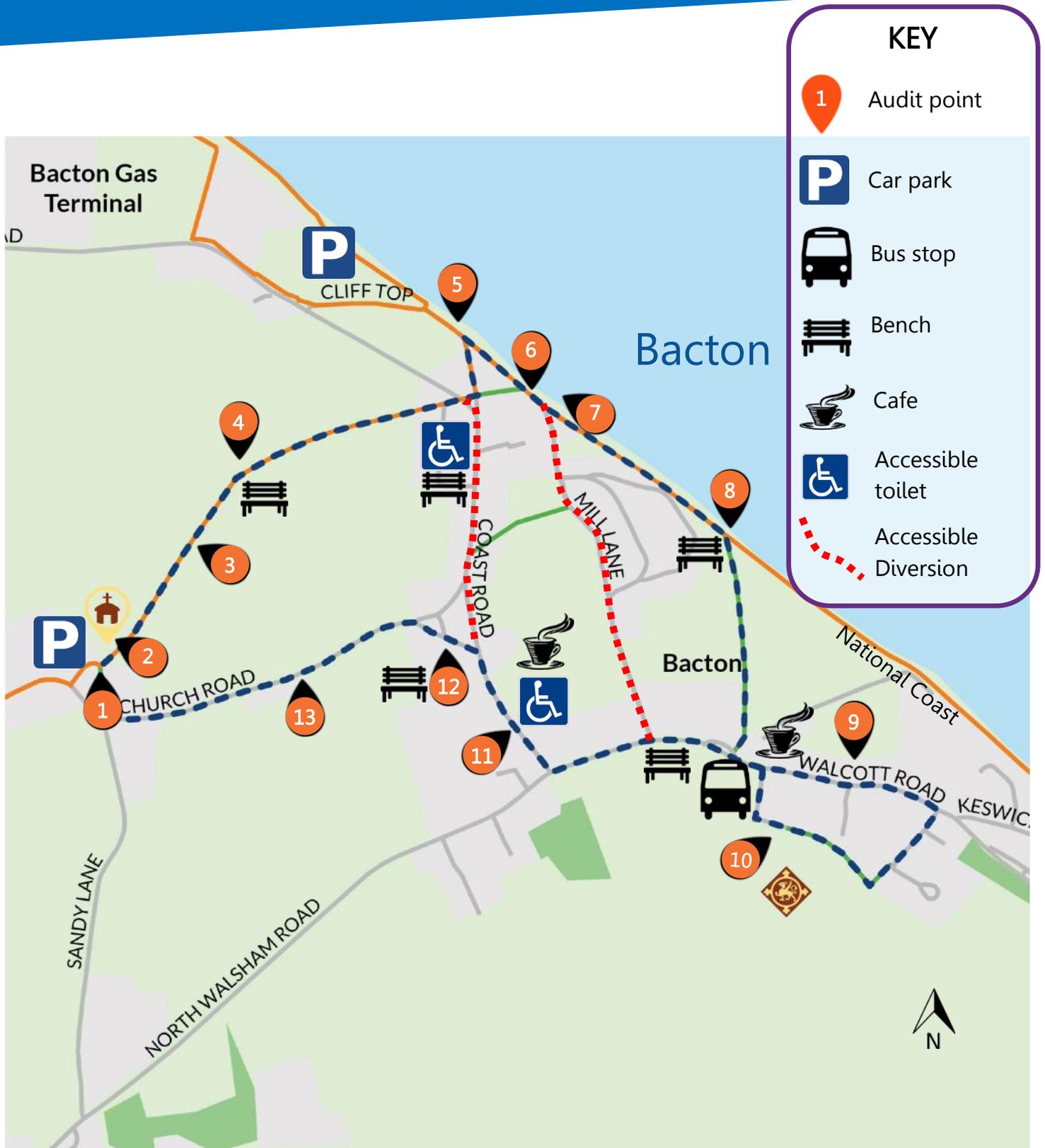


**By bus:** nearest stop at Walcott Road/Abbey Street. Bus number 34 stops here. : [Bacton, opposite Abbey Street – bustimes.org](http://bustimes.org)



# Audit Map :

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# Accessibility Information



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There is ample parking at St Andrews Church (P). The surface is grass covered but firm.

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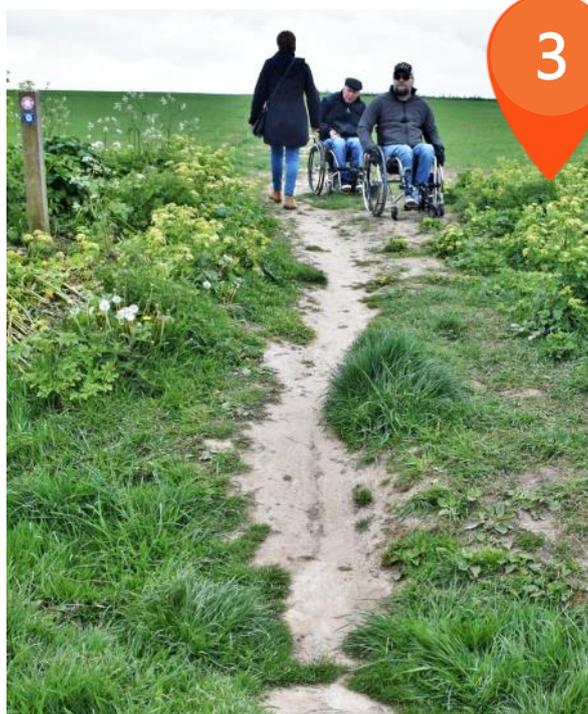
Gate has a step caused by erosion, but there is an alternative route to the right of the gate that leads through the fence

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Width Restriction - approx. 900mm. Less than 1 metre width here through the gate. Surface is uneven.

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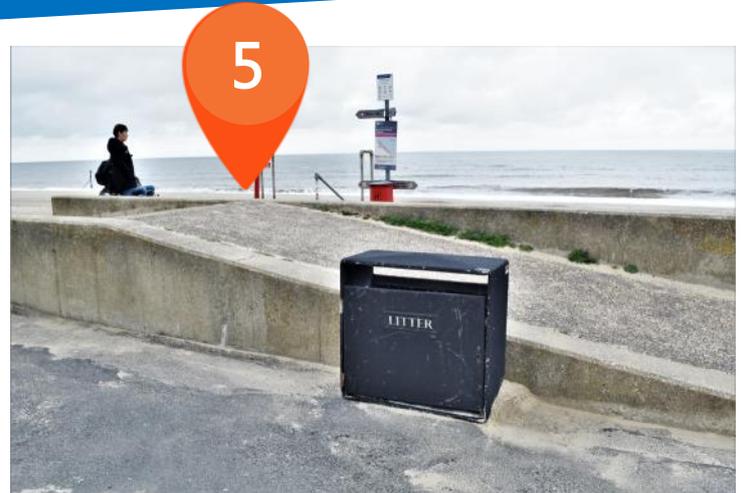


This is the most challenging section of the route. The ground is very uneven, less than 1 m width in places, and there are some hard to navigate cross gradients. The path can be muddy after rainfall.

# Accessibility Information



Bench with sea view



Incline 1:7 on concrete ramp.



Soft going here as sand has covered the path.

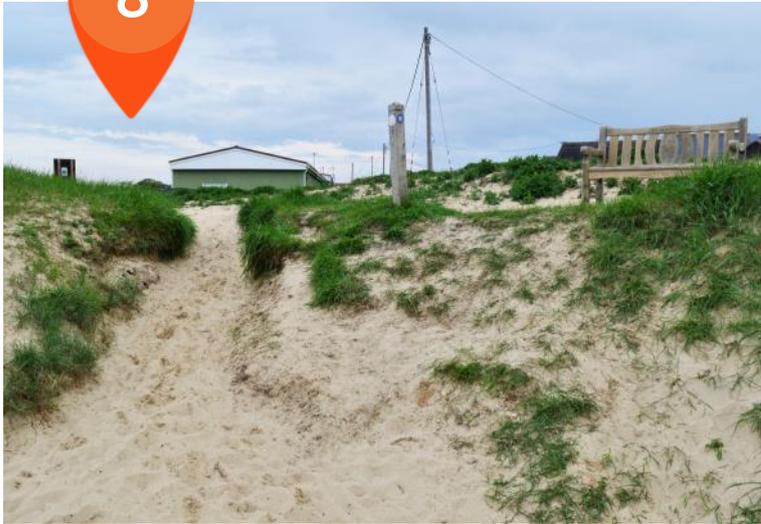


Coast path here can only be accessed via steps. Wheelchair users should use Mill Lane (Unadopted) or Coast Road, Bacton

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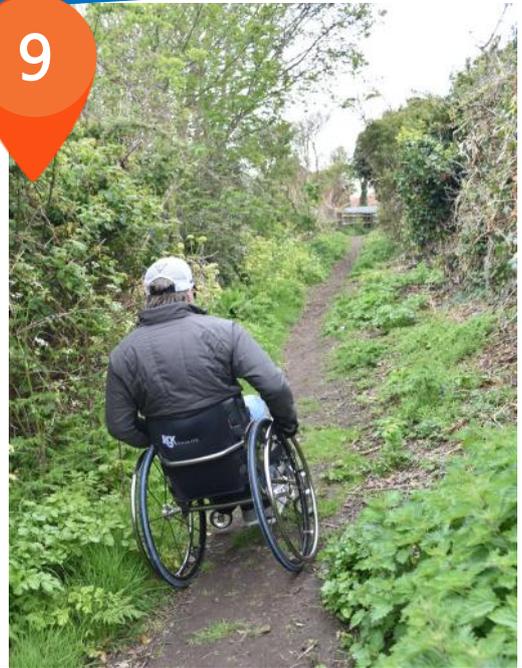


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Access here between the footpath and the coast path is via a sandy embankment. Wheelchair users are advised to use Mill Lane or the Coast Road

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Soft going along the lane. Uneven surface and a section of gravel.

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No drop kerbs here. Drop kerbs can be found further down Bromholme

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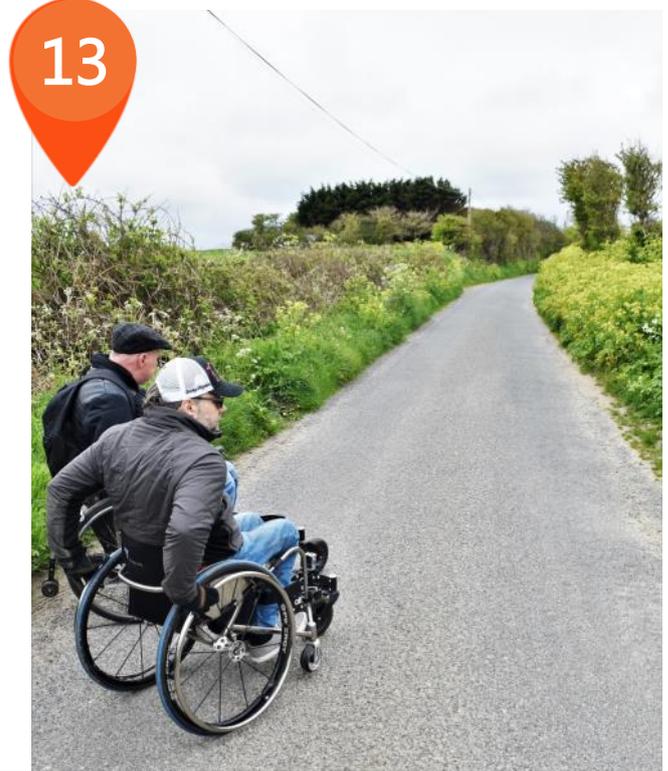


Sugar and Spice Cafe. Access for wheelchairs with outside seating and an accessible toilet .  
Café Carmel also available on Walcott Road near Abbey Street

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Bench by the pond.



Quiet Lanes. Narrow roads without pavement but has some passing places.



Accessbile Toilet at the Coast Road, Bacton

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