

How to get there...


By Car: From the A1 take the Leeming Bar junction A1 and follow the signs for Northallerton on the A684. From the A19 take the A168 junction and follow directions to Northallerton.


Parking: Northallerton town centre car park


Train: Visit www.nationalrail.co.uk


Bus: Traveline 0871 2002233



 **Public footpath** can be used by walkers. Waymarked with a yellow arrow.

 **Public bridleway** can be used by walkers, horse riders and cyclists. Waymarked with a blue arrow.

 **Restricted byway** can be used by walkers, horseriders, cyclists and non motorised vehicles. Waymarked with a purple arrow.

 **Byway open to all traffic (BOAT)** can be used by walkers, horse riders, cyclists and motor vehicles. Waymarked with a red arrow.

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Always follow The Countryside Code

- Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Keep dogs under close control
- Prevent uncontrolled moorland fires
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Consider other people

North Yorkshire rides

Northallerton Loop

About the ride

The Northallerton Loop is a relatively flat, circular cycle route on mainly quiet, minor roads. It is ideal for doing as a sprint on a road bike but also makes an enjoyable family ride.



Ride overview

Distance: 13 miles (21.6 km)

Terrain: Generally flat but with one hill

Map: OS Explorer Map No.302

Local facilities: Shops, cafes and pubs in Northallerton.

Photos: John Robinson

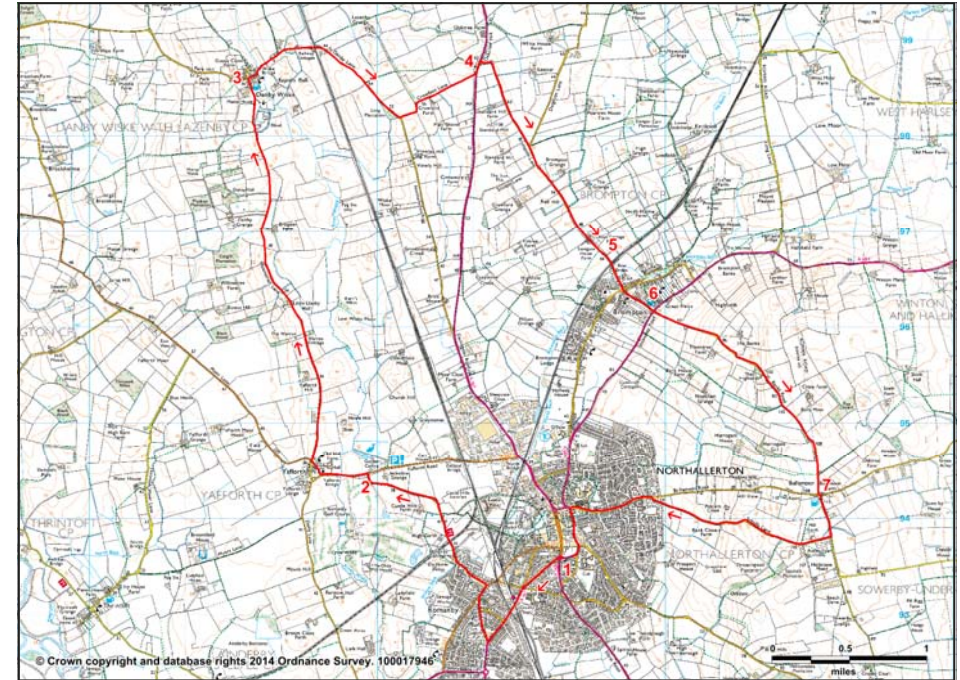
Points of interest

At Yafforth, you can see Howe Hill to your right – a motte, or artificial mound, for a keep, built in the 12th century when there were competing claims to the English throne. Closer to the road is an arched brick structure in front of the hall. It is probably a store for root vegetables; some think it could be an ice house for storing winter ice into the summer.

This circular ride is produced by North Yorkshire County Council. Find more walks and rides on our website www.northyorks.gov.uk/walks. We welcome any feedback about this ride, contact details can be found on the back page.

Route description

1. From the roundabout near the library, go along South Parade, straight on at the roundabout, pass the railway station, and turn right onto Harewood Lane. At the mini roundabout turn right onto Ainderby Road and then left at the next mini-roundabout past Romanby Green. Cross Willow Beck. Look for the Packhorse Bridge on the left, a favourite haunt of the local kingfisher!
2. When you reach Yafforth Road (B6271) turn left past the golf club and through Yafforth. Turn right on the 'S' bend signed Danby Wiske. Follow this road to Danby Wiske. Watch for evidence of ridge and furrow ploughing in the fields, especially on your left.
3. At Danby Wiske look for the church on the right. At the junction, turn right onto Danby Lane. After going over the railway bridge turn left after about half a mile and continue until you reach the busy A167, Darlington Road.
4. When you reach the main road turn left and immediately right onto Brompton Lane. Take care when entering and crossing the A167.
5. Once off the main road follow the scenic lane to Brompton.
6. At Brompton village carry straight on (Escape route to avoid hill – turn right through Brompton and head back to Northallerton). Otherwise, carry on over the A684 Stokesley Road signed Bullamoor and up one of the few hills of the ride, Banks Road. Stop and enjoy the view behind you over to the Dales when you get to the top. As you wind along the undulating road look left to enjoy views of the nearby moors until you reach the junction by the Fox and Hounds pub.
7. Turn left and immediately right. After less than half a mile turn right onto Scholla Lane and enjoy a well-earned descent into Northallerton. When you reach the main road turn left downhill past Bullamoor Primary School and the Friarage Hospital. Turn left at the second mini-roundabout into Northallerton.



Points of interest continued

- Close to the church at Danby Wiske is a medieval moat.
- On Danby Lane is the site of the medieval village of Lazenby, partly excavated by I Telford of Northallerton Grammar School in 1956-8.
- The lane to Brompton passes through the site of the Battle of the Standard, 1138, between the Scottish army and a local force raised by Archbishop Thurstan of York.
- At the top of Banks Hill, look for the ridge and furrow field system beyond the cattle grid to your left.
- The road to Bullamoor crossroads runs parallel to a Roman road from Thirsk to the Tees crossing at Girsby, though it may be on the line of an even earlier route.