

Peaceful Byways

Ride 2 - 21 miles - Starting from Narborough. (downloadable PDF file)

There is good parking behind the bus stop at the crossroads (see details on the map below) and shady picnic tables under the trees on the little green.

Leave the car park and turn right on the main road (towards King's Lynn) and continue for a short distance to the old Ship Inn, now a chinese restaurant and take the turning on the left for Pentney. At a bend in the lane take the little lane on the left, round a bend and up to a junction. Turn left here and go through the village to the junction at the church. Take the turning on the left (signed "gravel pits") and keep on this lane, passing the lakes and the water sports centre, until you come to a sharp bend, with the lane to Pentney Abbey (about half a mile) going off to the left. Continue round to the right and carry on to where, after a short rise you arrive at the main A47.

Go carefully across into the road opposite. At the end of the short road, turn right, then after the second bend take the road on the left for Ashwicken. This road continues straight for just over half a mile to a bend, where you take the little lane on the right (Church Lane) and follow this round the bends and up to the junction by the bus stop.

Turn right here for a short distance, and soon after a bus stop and wooden bus shelter take the second of the two lanes on the left (Well Hall Lane) and continue to the junction (B1153) by a farm. Go straight across (signed Waterworks), go up to the junction and turn right. Ignore the first turning on the left and continue to where the lane forks, keeping to the left and up to the B1145. Go straight across and carry on to the next junction at Gayton Thorpe.

Turn left here and follow the lane for just under 3 miles to a turning on the right with a sign for West Acre Gardens. Follow this pretty lane (known as Tumblyhill Lane) to where it starts to go downhill into the Nar valley, then look out for a little lane on the left. Turn in here and go down the hill to the crossroads, go straight across and follow the lane, passing the Stag PH on the bend and after the church and a little green turn left into Sandy Lane.

Follow this round to where it joins a larger lane and turn left, over the little bridge and up to the crossroads. Turn right here and follow the lane across the first junction, passing Narford hall and on to the main A47. Cross carefully into the road diagonally across and follow this back to the car park.

