

ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT

August 2019

St Hilda's Pilgrimage: LINCOLN to WHITBY

General Notes: It is recognised that some pilgrims may become tired or blistered after walking long distances and may prefer to be transported over part of the route. The following information is provided to help you. We have alternative means of public transport each day this year 'though not door-to-door: some days you will still have a km or two to walk. Note that bus information may be given to/from town centre or bus-station, not necessarily the most accessible from the overnight hall. Where important, timing of the last bus (or sometimes only bus!) of the day is given in **BOLD**. The word "station" includes both bus or railway station unless they are a distance apart. Out of town, conventional bus-stops don't always exist and you may need to "Hail & Ride" at places - check with locals.

This information is provided in good faith as a guide, not necessarily the fastest or cheapest (or only) choice of transport. For each day we have a suggestion for start to finish (opt out of walking completely), then a route which includes the designated lunch stop for the day. Times are based on published timetables but take no account of any temporary variations which may apply, say due to road or rail works. You should preferably check live times via the internet: *Google Earth* shows nearby bus stops and gives "next bus" times. Or ask the driver: they are mostly friendly and will try to help, although they won't have time to give you detailed timetables. For rail journeys use *National Rail Enquiries*.

Further information may be available from the day planner(s).

It is **MOST important**, if you deviate or drop out from the guided pilgrim route (whether by plan or circumstance), that you advise Clare (in the drinks car and elsewhere) so that we don't worry that you have got lost! Use mobile telephone (numbers are given in your daily route notes) in case of emergency.

If you might need to take several different buses, "**2 hour**" (or similar) or **day tickets** may be available (usually from the driver of your first bus of the journey) for most, if not all the area covered this year, Do ask about through tickets if you need to change.

Aug 10, Day 1: Register at Lincoln. We stay here for the first night.

Work out your own route to Lincoln. From London (Kings Cross or St Pancras) trains depart approximately hourly (from each station) and you will have to change (Newark, Nottingham, Retford, Peterborough or East Midlands Parkway station, according to your ticket). Kings Cross trains are priced at £74.30; St Pancras fares are £63.00 and advance fares (down to £21) may be available if booked early enough.

There are separate instructions describing arrangements for registration and other events at Lincoln.

Aug 11, Day 2 (Sunday): *Lincoln – Fiskerton - Wragby:* Bus route 56 (1100, **1600**) takes 30 minutes from Lincoln to Wragby.

There is no public transport (it's a Sunday!) to or from, or even near, the proposed lunch-stop.

Aug 12, Day 3: *Wragby – East Barkwith - Ludford:* Bus route 50 (0909, **1109**) to Louth (takes 35 min) then continue by route 26 (**1313**) to Ludford (1327).

The 50 route also serves the lunch stop. The 1109, 1309 takes 7 minutes. From East Barkwith the onward bus 50 towards Louth (dep 1316, 1652, **1752**) is too late to connect with the route 26 bus noted above: one possibility is that you take the 50 bus to “Tibbs Inn Cottages” (nr junction of A157 and B1225) and walk the B1225 north to Ludford (approx 2.4 miles).

Aug 13, Day 4: *Ludford - Tealby - Caistor:* Bus 26 (**1327**) to Market Rasen (1340) then route 53 (**1532**) to Caistor.(1647).

No reasonable public transport to/from the lunch stop but I am told that the landlord of the lunch-time pub runs a taxi service. So if you make it to Tealby (and presumably wait in the pub until he becomes available – no great hardship!) this might be another way of getting home.

Aug 14, Day 5: *Caistor - Barnetby-le-Wold - Brigg:* Bus 53C (1000, hourly) to Brigg (29 min).

This bus also serves Barnetby.

Aug 15, Day 6: Rest day at Brigg

Aug 16, Day 7: *Brigg - Saxby - North Ferriby.* Bus 4/X4 (1000, every 30 min) to Scunthorpe (25 min) then 350 (1045, every 30 min) to Hull (across Humber Bridge, 80 min), then rail from Hull to Ferriby (12 min direct, 25

min via Brough).

Bus 430 departs every 2 hours (0935, 1135 . . .) and takes 25 min to Saxby. The onward bus 450 (dep 1400, **1615**) takes 45 min to Hull Interchange via Barton-upon-Humber and across the bridge. Then rail from Hull to North Ferriby.

Aug 17, Day 8: *North Ferriby - Skidby - Beverley*. Bus 143 (0845, **1310**) takes 75min, or Rail (xx57, takes 46 min) via Hull. £7.10.

During the morning, near Welton, we cross the route of the 63 bus (from Hull to Beverley) which can take you to the lunch stop. After lunch, route 63 (xx13 from Skidby church) will take you on to Beverley.

Aug 18, Day 9 (Sunday): *Beverley – Hutton Cranswick - Driffield*. Rail (1019, 1102, 1213, 1321 . . .) takes about 14 min, £7.50. Bus route 121 (0907, 1007, 1107 . . .) takes 28 min. for the route.

Hutton Cranswick is also served by the 121; takes 18 min from Beverley, The train also has a station at H.C, so you have a variety of possibilities,

Aug 19, Day 10: *Driffield – Burton Agnes – Bridlington*. Bus route 101 departs hourly (0935, 1035 . . .) and takes about 35 minutes. Route 45 (0905, 1105, 1305, 1605 . . .) is also available.

Both the 101 and 45 go through Burton Agnes (Main Street) for the lunch stop, taking 16 min from Driffield.

Aug 20, Day 11: Rest day at Bridlington.

Aug 21, Day 12: *Bridlington – Burton Fleming – Sherburn*. Bus 124 from Bridlington (**1300**) will go via Burton Fleming (1330) to Sherburn. Another way is by bus route 12 or 13 “Coaster” (0925, every 30 min) from Bridlington to Scarborough, (75 or 88 min) then take the route 843 (1110, hourly, 26 min) to Sherburn.

No reasonable public transport found from the lunch stop after the 124 goes through at **1330**.

Aug 22, Day 13: *Sherburn - Yedingham - Pickering*: Bus 843 (1008, hourly) to Malton, (25 min) then route 840 (1115, hourly) to Pickering (23 min).

No public transport to or from the lunch stop but in the afternoon stay with the pilgrim route to Thornton le Dale (prayer stop) and catch the 128 bus (1625, 1725, 1825) to Pickering.

Aug 23, Day 14: *Pickering - Levisham - Goathland*: Bus route 840 (0938, 1138, every 2 hrs) takes 37 min; alternatively by North Yorkshire Moors Railway (1000, hourly) takes 50 min, (£23.00).

Both the bus and train stop at Levisham.

Aug 24, Day 15: *Goathland - Sleights - Whitby*. NYMR (1010, 1250, 1350 . .) takes 50 min, £21.00. Bus 840 (1015, 1215 . .) takes 25 min.

The bus (and train) both go through Sleights.

Aug 25, Day 16 (Sunday): Journey home from Whitby.

A bus has been booked leaving Whitby at 1400 and arriving at York about 1530 to 1600. There may be spaces available if you haven't booked.

For rail to London there are works which close Kings Cross for the weekend but if you travel via Sheffield you can get to St Pancras.

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