



10 POLLINGTON HERITAGE & NATURE

FEATURES OF INTEREST

POINT 2

As you turn away from the Main Street ahead of you is the Parish Room, formally Reading Room. It has acquired a number of alterations over the years, the roof has been raised and it has been extended.

(See the HERITAGE BOARD at the Pinfold for more detail).

POINT 3

A little further on, at the excellent example of a Pinfold, you are able to learn about a late 4th / early 5th century coffin, blacksmiths and RAF Snaith, the WWII Bomber Command airfield actually based in Pollington.



POINT 4-5

Balk Lane, largely a concrete surface, is thought to have been an access for emergency vehicles when the airfield was in operation. Just to the rear of a farm are the ruins of the old cinema, used by both the RAF personnel and local Pollington people in the war.

POINT 5-6

In the 17th century there was quite a large community of Quakers living in Pollington and records show that many of them were persecuted for following their beliefs. It is believed that a Quaker Burial Ground was situated in the second field on the right as you enter Berridge Lane and was used until about 1760.

It is thought that the last of the Quakers in the area emigrated to the USA about 1810.

POINT 7-8

At the point where you leave the Canal Bank to join Balne Croft Lane are the remains of the No 4 Swing Bridge over the canal. This would have been the only access to Balne Croft Farm across the canal when it was first constructed.

Along Balne Croft Lane you will pass by the banking and walls which supported a branch line of the Hull to Barnsley Railway.

POINT 8

At the end of Balne Croft Lane you have good views along the canal from the road bridge, a short diversion along the canal bank to the lock, one of the largest on the waterway system, will bring you to another HERITAGE BOARD which gives the history of the canal.

WALK DETAILS

5.25 m/8.45km

GRADE: Easy

A level walk with two short gradients

SUMMARY

A pleasant walk through open countryside with interesting historical features.

A section of the walk uses the Trans Pennine trail.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Weekly service.

PARKING

Free parking at the start at Pollington Village Hall, Main Street Pollington.

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MAPS

OS Explorer 279

OS Landranger 111

REFRESHMENTS

Public house in Pollington.

NO PUBLIC TOILETS

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