

Witton Gilbert Walks No. 6

Kaysburn Route 5.5Km / 3.4 Miles

Grade: moderate

Time: 1.5hrs.

Start location: NZ 234 457

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Directions

1 Starting from the entrance to Cooper Hall/School drive bear *right down Sacriston Lane passing the Chapel until you reach Front Street.* **2** Turn right following Front Street. Take the footpath past Park View, cross Norburn Lane and head west alongside the A691 for 670 metres and **3** at the roundabout then turn right onto the signposted footpath beside Kaysburn House. Following the track for 320 metres until you come to a gate; continue through the gate and follow the track until you reach a gate. Keeping the buildings on your right side continue for a further 330 metres until you come to a stile on the right hand side: **4** cross the stile and walk to the far side of the felled wood and bearing left to the next stile. Over the stile is a climb Walk up the sloping field, keeping to the left, for 400 metres **5** (At this point if you would like some refreshments take the alternative route up to Broome House Farm Café) then turn right to West Hall Cottage through the gate and following the track for 750 metres to Norburn Lane. **6** Turn right down Norburn Lane for 500 metres passing Cote Hill Cottages on your left and further down the lane Old bridge End and Fell House **7** then **turn left** to go passed Horn's House and on to Fulforth Farm, to your right you can look out over the valley towards Langley Park and beyond, **8** when you reach the farm there is a track to the left which goes downhill, follow the track until you reach the stile on your right, **9** cross the stile and turn right to go across the field below the farm and head diagonal left for the far corner about 500 metres. **10** Cross the stile/open the gate and head diagonal left uphill to the hedge and follow the track along to the gate and **11** turn left through the gap then turn right to follow the path round the field and back to the kissing gate on your right, go through this and return to the starting point.



See maps 4 and 5 for points of interest from waypoint 7 to finish

Points of interest

Kaysburn House



To the left when you reach Kaysburn House was the site of Kaysburn Brick and tile works.



Kaysburn pumping station.

The long building is the last that remains of the Kaysburn pumping station. As you walk up the hill, turn and look south into the valley where the village of Langley Park lies. The village originated in 1875 when the Langley Park colliery opened. The mine was owned by the Consett Iron Company and its entire output supplied coke for their furnaces. The coke was transported up the valley to Consett by the extended railway. The pumping shaft for the colliery was sunk at Kaysburn in 1898. The colliery and pumping station were closed in 1975.