

# Get Walking . . .

Join us for a free, gentle stroll on  
Tuesday, November 4, 10.30am

## Newtown Harbour and Woods

3.5 miles

**Start:** Town Lane National Trust Car Park opposite the Old Town Hall. Visitor Centre and toilets open at specified times in the season. This figure of eight walk can be done in two parts starting at the visitor centre.

**Set-off Time:** 10.30am. **Description:** A level walk, mainly gated, visiting the village, harbour and surrounding woodland.

**Access Information:** Level, but paths may be muddy or marshy after wet weather. Take care with traffic on narrow lanes -generally best to stay in single file on right facing any oncoming traffic.

**Refreshments:** None in Newtown. Nearest pub is the New Inn in Shalfleet. There is also the Sportsman's Rest at Porchfield and the Horse and Groom at Ningfield.

## Rambles around the Island

in association with the IW Ramblers

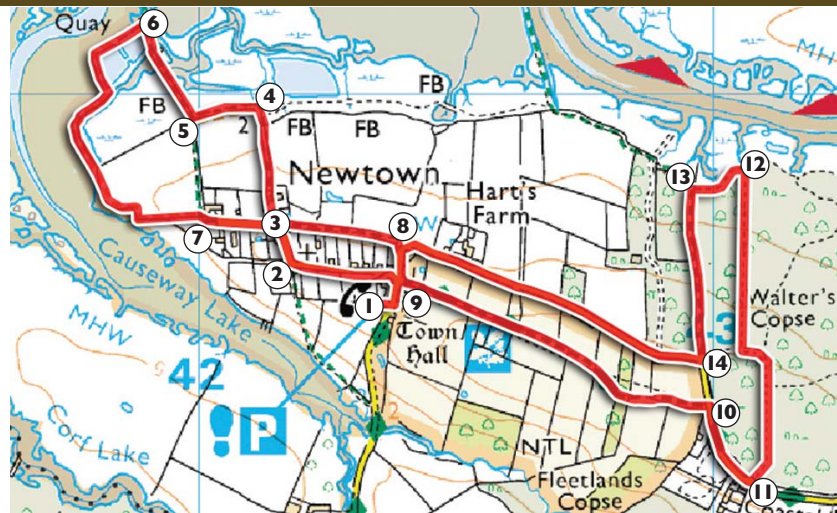


**Route:** From the rear of the visitor centre (1) turn left into the High Street (following the Harbour walk sign) passing houses, village pump and the Church of the Holy Spirit (2). Follow the road as it turns right and proceed through a gate marked Marsh Farm House (3) along a footpath to birdhide (4) (open and manned in season).

Here turn left across a field and then right over a long foot bridge (5) towards the harbour. Just before reaching a black wooden hut, (6) turn left along the harbour wall, past the old salt pans to a kissing gate. Go through this and keep right around the edge of an old hay meadow to another kissing gate which leads to a metalled road by coastguard cottages. (7)

Follow this road ahead until the road bends and then take the footpath stile through the hedge in front of you. Proceed forward along a wide grassy track to a stile. Here turn right (8) onto a road and then go left just before a house with Francheville sign which used to be a pub. (9)

Follow the path CBI3a through fields, following yellow waymarks and coastal path signs, through three gates to join a road where you turn right. (10) Follow the road past two bungalows, and then turn left onto a path into Newtown National Nature Reserve (11), at Walters Copse. Take this



wide path which then turns left and, after 20 yards, turn right down a green track towards the creek. The track narrows to an enclosed path and at a T junction (12) near the creek go left. Follow this path over a narrow wooden bridge and then straight on to a second wider bridge at a junction of

paths. Here go left (13) and follow the track which goes through a farm gate, turns left and then right. Leave the nature reserve at a gap by a farm gate at Town Copse and turn right onto the road (14)

Follow the road back to the visitor centre and car park (on your right).

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