

## Two Churches and a Canal

*The route is marked with a boat logo.*



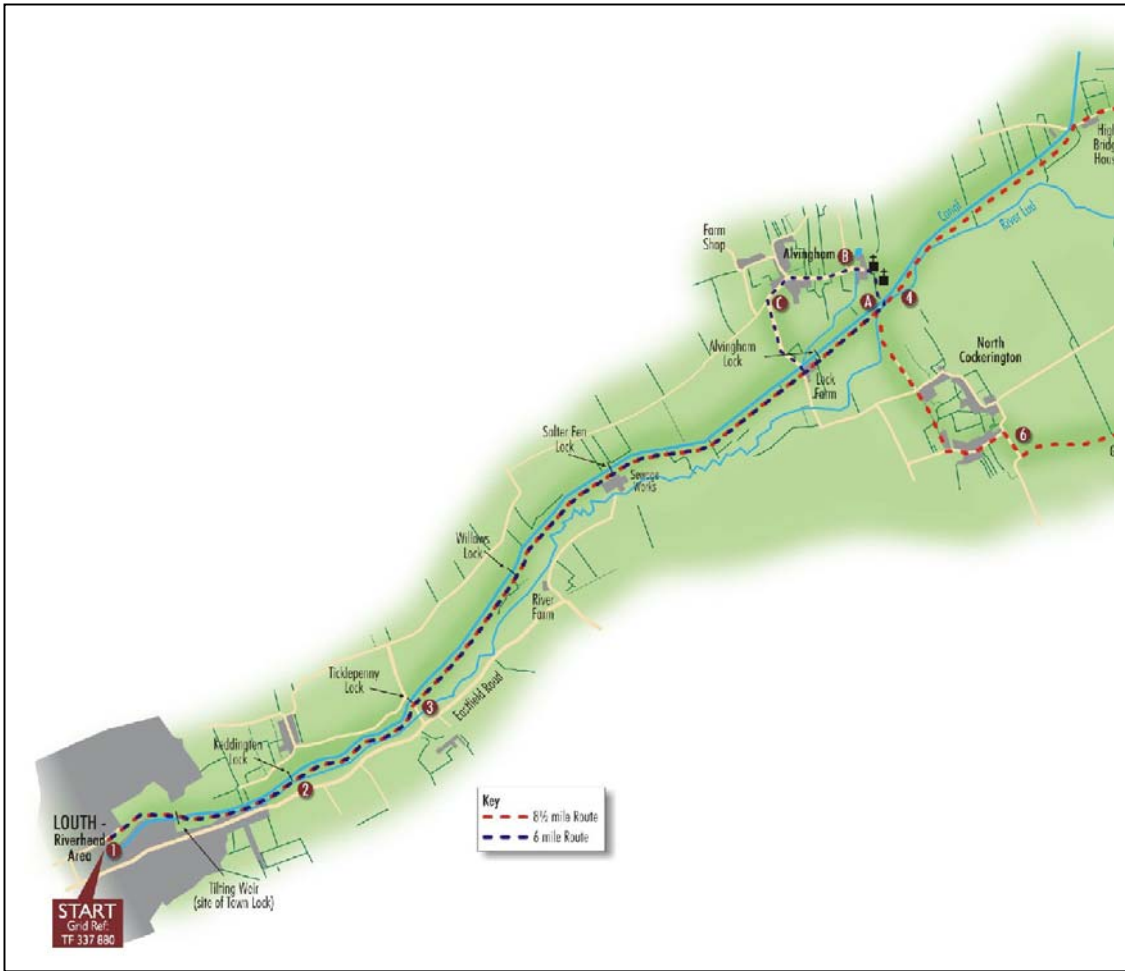
- 1** From Navigation Warehouse, where the River Lud enters the canal, follow the canal away from Louth town centre, cross the canal at the first weir, continuing along the towpath.
- 2** Continue along the towpath through a field where the River Lud runs on your right to Ticklepenny Lock.
- 3** Cross the road to follow the towpath. Go past farm buildings and the sewage works on your right. Continue along until you come to Lock Farm at Alvingham Lock, where a tributary of the River Lud runs under the canal, by way of a brick siphon, to feed Alvingham Mill. Cross the road to follow the towpath.

### **For the shorter walk:**

- A** At the junction with two other footpaths, turn left off the canal for a chance to explore the village of Alvingham. (There is a farm shop and tea room about ½ mile through the village.)
- B** From the churchyard, walk through the farmyard and past the water mill on your right. Follow the road straight on.
- C** Where the village road joins the main road, follow the bend to the left and walk carefully alongside the road until you pass over the canal. Turn right to join the towpath near Lock Farm and retract your steps to Louth, keeping the canal on your right.

### **For the longer walk:**

- 4** Continue along the towpath to join the road at High Bridge. At the road turn right, leaving the canal, past the houses. At the end of the road, turn right onto the bridleway.
- 5** Continue along the bridleway as it crosses fields and ditches until you meet a road and continue straight ahead. After the road first bends to the right then left, turn right along a footpath. Follow this along the edge of Green Dike until you join another road.
- 6** Turn right then left on to Meadow Lane at the next road junction through North Cockerington village. Just past the public phone box, turn right down a footpath. At Chapel Lane, walk straight across to join another footpath. Follow this to rejoin the towpath, turn left and retrace your steps back to Louth.



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