

Walking close to cows

The incidents of people being attacked by cattle are very rare, however following recent incidents and press coverage, please see the advice below when walking in fields with cattle in.

Please do not let the very low risk of cattle attacks put you off enjoying the Lincolnshire Wolds countryside, villages and great views.

There are a few Do's and Don'ts to follow when walking in a field with calves.

Do

- Try not to get between cows and their calves.
- Be prepared for cattle to react to your presence, especially if you have a dog with you.
- Move quickly and quietly, and if possible walk around them.
- Keep your dog close and under proper control.

Don't

- Don't hang onto your dog. If you are threatened by animals - let it go as the cow will chase after that.
- Don't put yourself at risk. Find another way round the cows and rejoin the footpath as soon as possible.
- Don't panic! Most cows will stop before they reach you. If they follow just walk on quietly.
- Don't forget to report any problems to the highway authority.