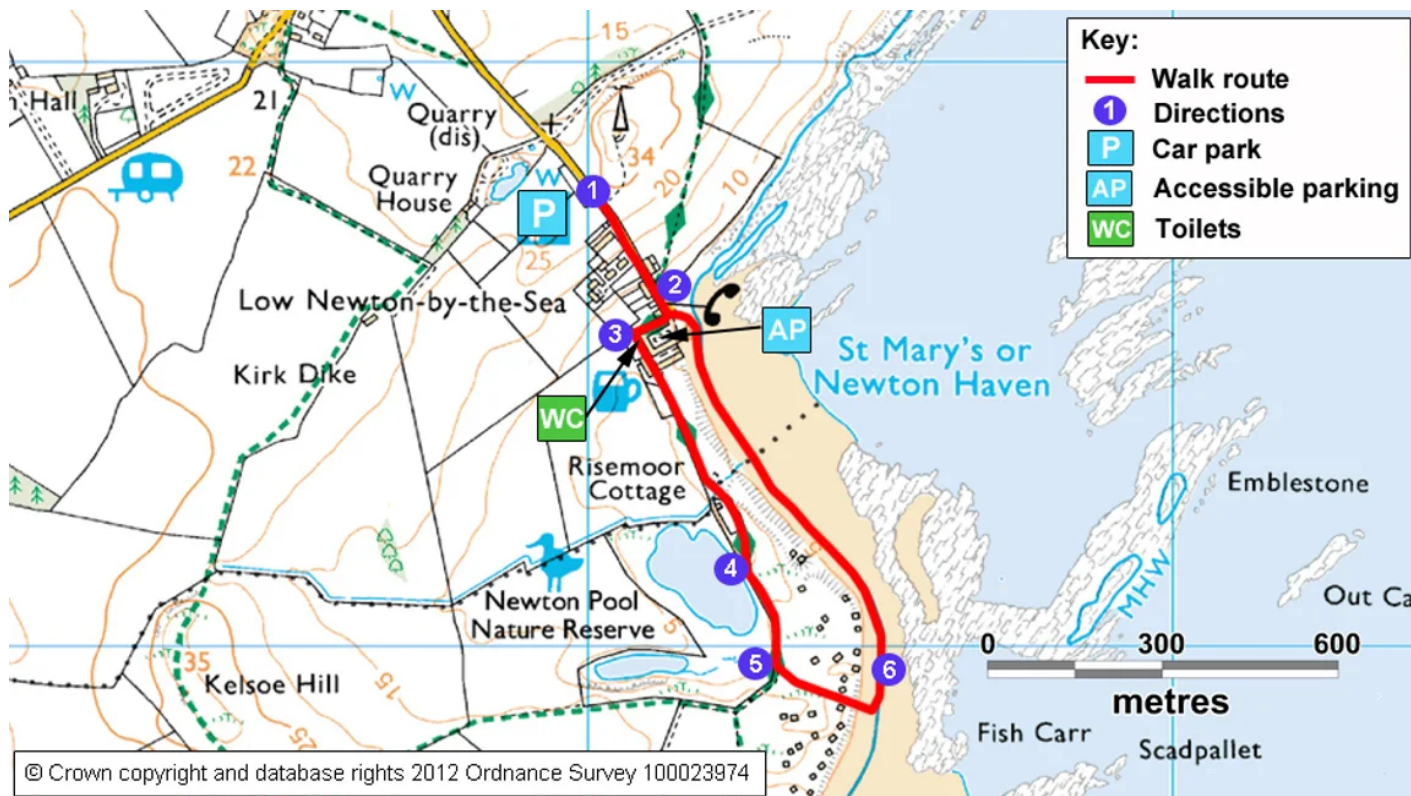


NORTH EAST

Newton Pool coastal walk

Enjoy a gentle walk alongside the Northumberland coast with plenty of wildlife-spotting opportunities along the way. The first part of the walk (steps 1 to 4) takes you along an all-ability trail. Remember to bring your binoculars as there are great views and lots of birds to look out for from the beach and wildlife hides.



Information

Address: Low Newton car park, Northumberland. grid ref: NU239248

OS map: Landranger 75; Explorer 340

Activity: Walking

Easy: Pavements and tracks into uneven grassy paths, one steep hill, some steps. For further information visit the section marked Terrain.

Dog friendly: Responsible dog owners are welcome. Please keep dogs on leads near to the bird hide at Newton Pool at point 4.

Full trail: Miles: 1 (km: 1.6)

Access: Challenging

Duration: 30 mins - 40 mins

Terrain

Well-made pavements and tracks from steps 1 to 4, then an uneven grassy path. One steep hill at step 1 and steps leading down to the beach at step 5.

Total steps: 6

Start point: Low Newton car park, grid ref: NU239248

1. Start at the public car park above Low Newton. Head down the hill to the village square (the road is quite steep). Low Newton is an 18th-century fishing hamlet, with white-washed cottages and a historic pub set around a pretty village green.
2. As you arrive at the square in the village take the right-hand turn, following the road behind the square by the National Trust information board. The first 0.3 miles (0.5km) to Newton Pool hides has a surfaced track suitable for wheelchairs.
3. Turn left behind the Ship Inn and follow the road south past the back of the cottages, parallel with the seashore. Continue past the Boat Park, checking the field to your right for visiting wetland and coastal birds.
4. Continue on the track past Risemoor Cottage, a former fisherman's pub, through a small woodland path until you see the two wildlife hides on your right facing into the waters at Newton Pool. You can now retrace your route back to Low Newton or continue on to step 5.
5. Continue southward from the bird hide and after about 33yd (30m) the path forks. Take the left track past some beach bungalows in the dunes. Head for the centre of the green space where a waymark shows the path through bracken leading to wooden steps to the beach.
6. Take in the views of Dunstanburgh Castle across Embleton Bay before turning left on the beach and heading back towards the village. As you arrive back in the village square of Low Newton by the Sea, take time to relax on the beach, picnic on the village green or explore the shoreline and rockpools.

End point: Low Newton car park, grid ref: NU239248