#### Weavers' Way Honing to East Ruston



#### **Route Summary**

A 2 mile route along Weavers' Way from the old station car park in Honing to East Ruston through woodland and open countryside

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# Route description

This walk has been audited to support people accessing the countryside and to improve quality of life. The walk audit checked for potential accessibility difficulties along the route. Maps are provided showing point numbers which correspond to photos and descriptions of these areas so that you can decide if this walk is suitable for you.

The walk is a 2 mile section of Weavers' Way from the car park on Station Road on the site of the old railway station in Honing to the car park on Chapel Road in East Ruston. At Honing station car park you can join the Weaver's Way along the short track from the car park. Head east along the trail and you will pass through the old platform area of Honing Station and you will be walking where the track bed once was. You will see St. Peter and St. Paul parish church in the distance and if wanting to take a closer look, it is only a half mile walk from the car park along Station Road. You will soon come to Honing bridge, another hint at the railway heritage of this area. On this walk you will pass through beautiful views of open countryside, woodland and of Honing Common. The route will come to an end as you reach the Weavers' Way car park in East Ruston.

Alternatively, you could begin your route at the car park in East Ruston and make your way to the old Honing station from there. Due to the length of the route and the difficult terrain, it is quite challenging for those with mobility and stamina issues. However, the route can be tailored to any distance that is suitable for you and then head back to your starting point along the route you have taken.

#### Route overview



**Start point:** Weavers' Way car park, Station Road, Honing, NR23 9QX. Grid reference: TG3127

Distance: 2 Miles



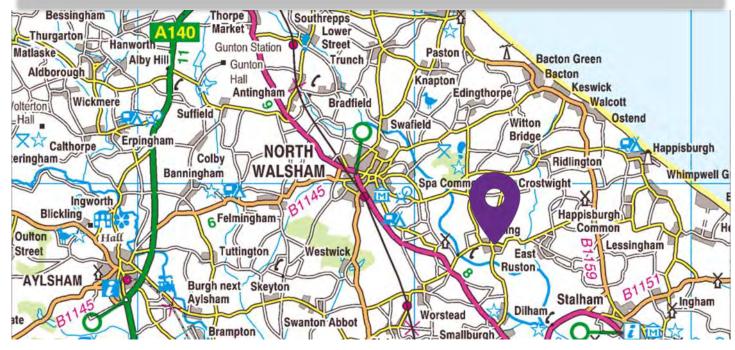
**Accessible facilities**: North Walsham public toilets, New Road, North Walsham NR28 9DF



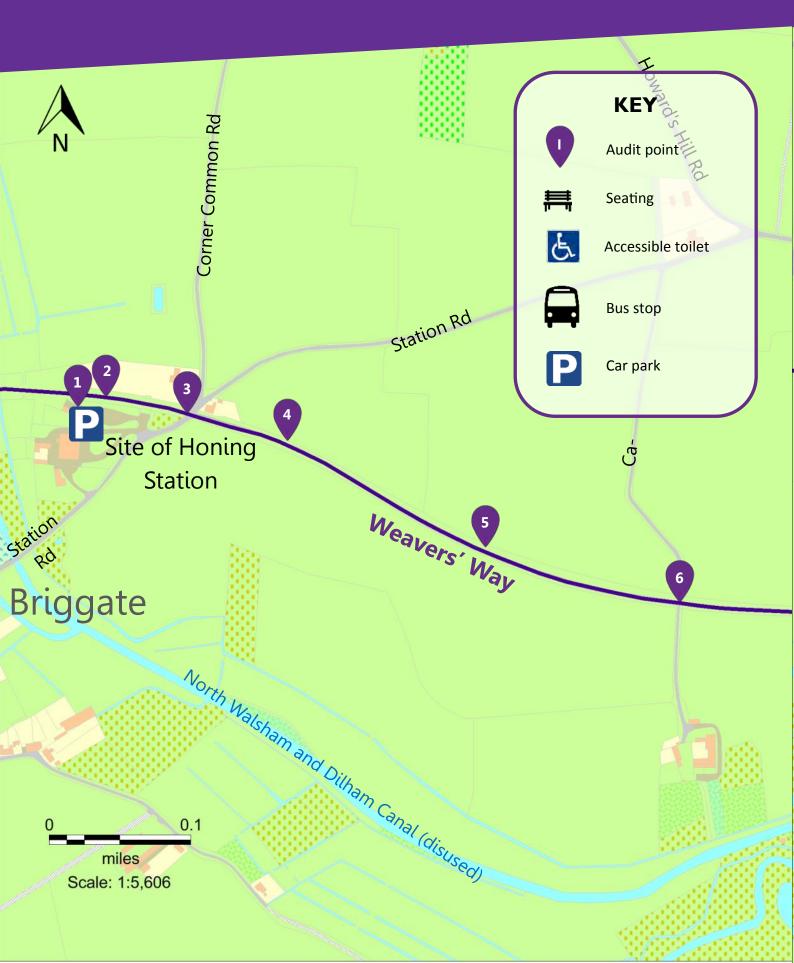
**By car:** Weavers' Way car park, Station Road, Honing, NR23 9QX or Weavers' Way car park, Chapel Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JP



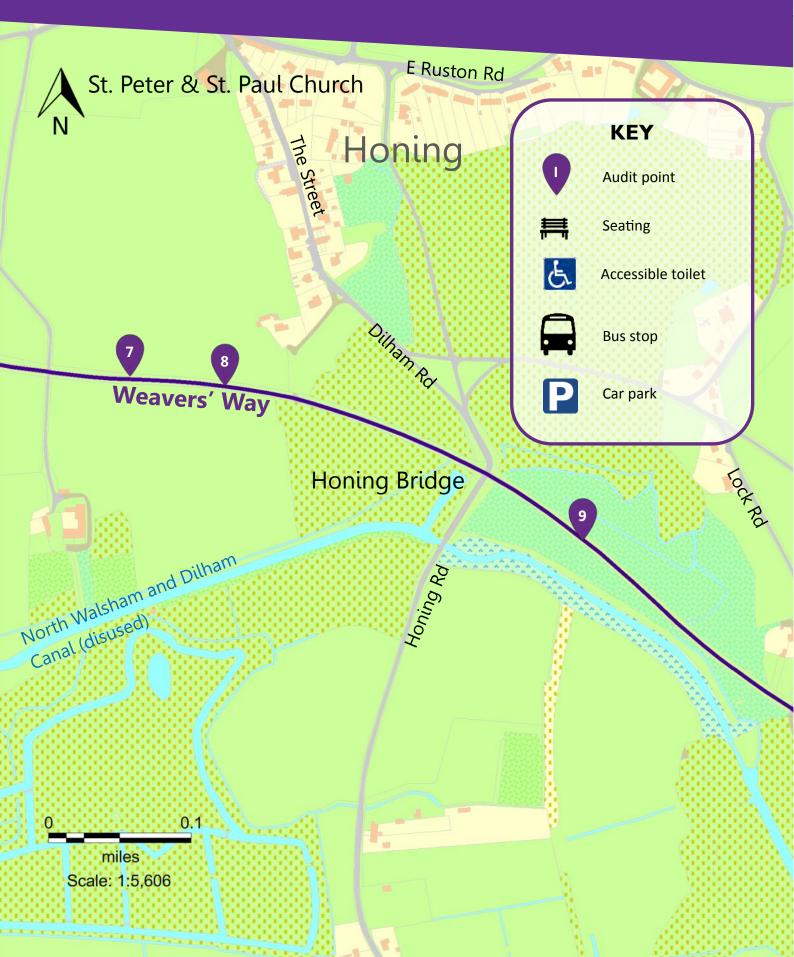
**By bus:** North Walsham Market Place, NR28 9BT or outside Tesco Superstore, Stalham, NR12 9AP <u>travelineeastanglia.co.uk</u>



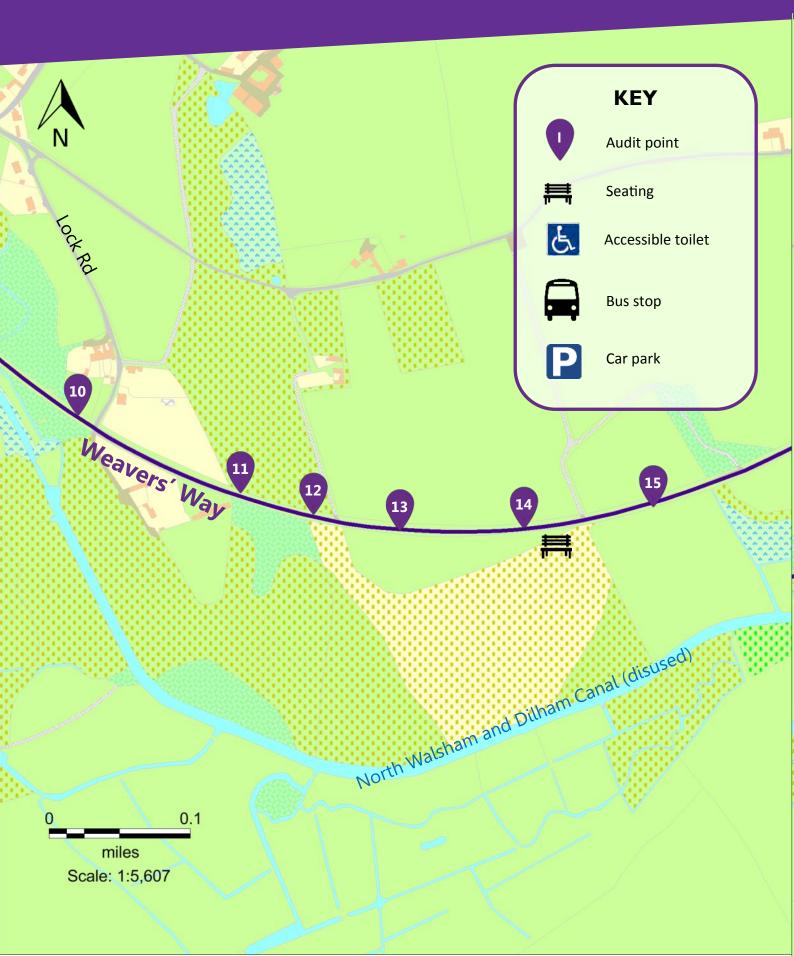




# Map 2



#### Map 3







### Accessibility information



Take the track out of Honing Station car park to join Weavers' Way and follow the trail east through the old platform area. The surface of the car park is compact gravel with some areas of loose sand



The trail is very narrow through the platform at 20cm for 22m due to the encroaching nettles and grass. This section can become muddy during winter periods



There is a stiff pedestrian gate at either side of the level crossing over Station Road and unassisted wheelchair access would be difficult



The trail width narrows to 15cm with stones protruding 1cm for 50m



The trail continues to be very stony with varying sized stones protruding 1.5-2cm for 100m



This section can become very muddy for 25m during winter periods



There is a gradient of 1:7 on the approach to Canal Farm Lane crossing. The surface is very stony and uneven with rutted grass. The trail width continues to be narrow at 20-40cm across due to the encroaching vegetation on either side of the trail



The trail width increases to 50cm across. There are large tree roots and stones protruding 2-3cm from the trail surface for 10m



There is a muddy section for 10m which can be dependent on seasonal weather conditions



This section can become muddy during winter periods



There is a width restriction of 22cm for 50m where the vegetation has encroached onto the trail

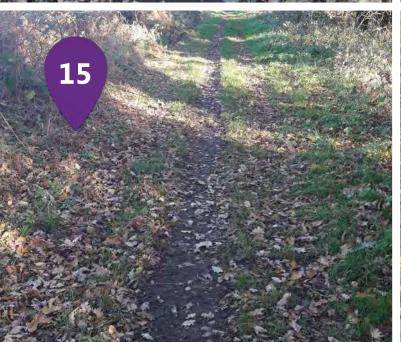
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The trail continues to narrow to a width of 15cm for a further 25m



There are varying sized stones protruding 1.5-3.5cm from the trail surface for 35m



There is a width restriction of 15-30cm for 15m. This section can also become muddy during winter periods



The trail width continues to be narrow at 15cm with small stones protruding 1-2cm for 15m



The surface type changes to compact 20mm gravel for 5m



The trail width narrows through the gate to 65cm. There are stones protruding 1-3cm for 20m



As you reach the Weavers' Way car park at East Ruston on your left, there is a slight incline with a gradient of 1:11 for 3m into the car park



The surface of the car park is compact 20mm gravel and can be muddy in sections. There are a some potholes which makes the surface of the car park uneven



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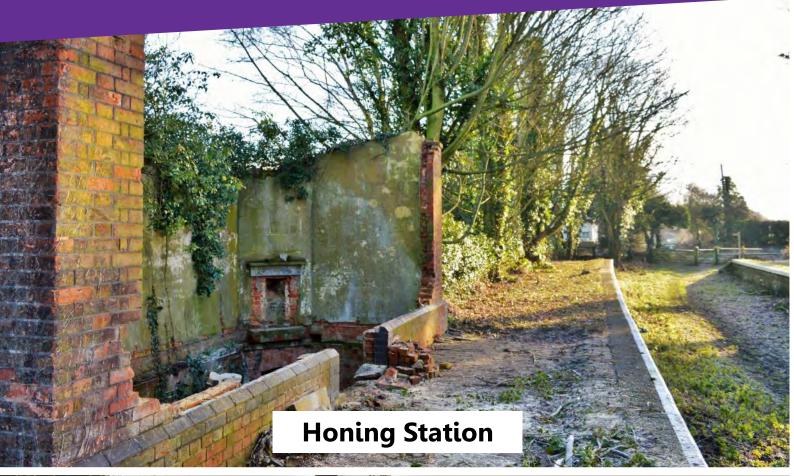
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