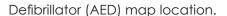
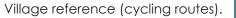
## NELSON LOOP

Business open times may vary. Please check with venue if you look to use their facilities & services.











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- Deepdale Cafe •
- The White Horse Inn
- BURNHAM MARKET 2
  - - Number 29
- The Burnhams Tea Room and Cafe
  - The Nelson Inn
  - NORTH CREAKE 3
- Creake Abbey Cafe and Food Hall
  - The Jolly Farmers
    - STANHOE 4
    - Duck Inn •

The longest of these cycle routes is something to be savoured. With plentiful options for refreshment at both ends of the route, it's easy to make a day of it as you explore the rolling landscapes that Nelson himself once knew. Much has changed since the Lord Admiral's day, but it is easy to see why he gloried in being a Norfolk man.

West Norfolk proudly celebrates its connection to the naval hero Admiral Lord Nelson. After many famous victories he died at the Battle of Trafalgar in 1805. His father, Edmund Nelson, was rector of All Saints' Church at Burnham Thorpe when his son was born at the parsonage on 29 September 1758. Today, many objects displayed inside the church celebrate Nelson's life and career.

Nearby Burnham Market incorporates the formerly separate villages of Burnham Ulph, Sutton and Westgate. The amalgamation of their boundaries resulted in the sites of five churches being located in one parish. While nothing remains of two of these churches today, the ruins of St. Ethelbert's at Burnham Sutton are visible and both St. Mary's at Burnham Westgate, and All Saints' at Burnham Ulph still stand and are used regularly.

An Iron Age fort at Bloodgate Hill in South Creake has been identified by archaeologists as one of only six such sites in Norfolk. A local legend, that a battle between Danes and Angles was waged on the hill, is depicted on the village sign.

The village of Stanhoe was the site of a Wellington bomber crash during World War Two. It went down near Stanhoe Hall in 1943. The villages of Great and Little Barwick provide a peaceful contrast to these stories of military land, sea and air campaigns. Both places are thought to be smaller now than they were during the medieval period.

Beautiful Creake Abbey once dominated the parish of North Creake. Starting as an Augustinian house in 1206 it became an abbey in 1225. Following the death of the last abbot in 1506 the buildings fell into ruin.

The Nelson Loop passes the site of Lord Nelson's birthplace, which is marked by a plaque. It visits the churches at Burnham Thorpe and Burnham Market, and the ruins at Burnham Sutton. It then heads north to the coast before returning south through Stanhoe and Great and Little Barwick before heading to South and North Creake.

## **Getting Started**

This cycle route has two starting points:

Deepdale Backpackers & Camping (TF803442).

Creake Abbey (TF856394).

## **Parking**

Museums

For Deepdale Backpackers & Camping start point, park on-site if using cycle hire facilities. Alternative parking at Brancaster Beach Car Park, Broad Lane, PE31 8AX. Car parking fees may apply. Please check Brancaster tide times: high tides can flood the road leading to the car park.

For Creake Abbey starting point car parking is available on-site subject to opening times.

## FEEDBACK FORM

Male [ ] Under 18 [ ] 18-35 [ ] 36-60 [ ] Over 60 [ ] Female [ ] Under 18 [ ] 18-35 [ ] 36-60 [ ] Over 60 [ ]
Are you: Walking [ ] Dog Walking [ ] Cycling [ ] Other
Which ONE of the following BEST describes your visit to this Trail?  SHORT visit (less than 1 hour) [ ] PART-day visit (1-4 hours) [ ]  FULL-day visit (5 or more hours) [ ] LONG DISTANCE trip (more than 1 day) [ ]
Where is your permanent residence? (This is just to help us monitor where visitors come from)
Did you use a website to find out information about the route before your visit to this Trail? YES $[\ ]$ NO $[\ ]$ if YES which website?
During your visit to this Trail, approximately how much have you spent on the following, per person, per day and where? Please write in £
Is this your first visit to this Trail? YES [ ] NO [ ]

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