# **S5**

## Coast Path Stretch 2 Section 5 (of 7) Caister-on-Sea to North Denes





### Along the way

Starting from the line of a disused railway on top of the sea wall, this walk soon descends to the beach. The embryo dunes here, spreading seaward, are a reminder of this coastline's dynamism, the natural cycle of change that ensures every visit is a little different from the last. At the southern end of Caister-on-Sea, the route passes Caister lifeboat station. To see either of the station's lifeboats launch is quite a spectacle, especially the larger of the two, which is one of the fastest lifeboats in Britain. The old lifeboat shed, just metres from the coast path, has been converted into a museum where visitors can learn about the station's proud heritage, and the meaning of the motto 'never turn back,' now emblazoned above the door of this lovingly restored boat shed.

Beyond the lifeboat station is the beginning of the low-lying dunes of the Great Yarmouth North Denes SSSI. These accreting sand dunes are most important for their little tern colonies, which support almost ten percent of Great Britain's breeding population.

For further information please visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/trails





#### **Walk summary**

A delightful sandy outing for nature-lovers.

#### **Getting started**

The walk starts from Second Avenue, Caister-on-Sea.

#### **Getting there**

The 8 bus service from Great Yarmouth stops on Second Avenue, Caister and the 3 Bus service stops on North Drive, North Denes, Great Yarmouth. Car parking is available at Second Avenue, Caister (charges apply). There is a limited amount of free parking at various points on North Drive.

National Rail enquiries: 08457 484950.

www.nationalrail.co.uk/

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#### Maps and guides

Ordnance Survey Explorer Map OL40, The Broads, available from Ordnance Survey shop www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/oswebsite

#### What to expect

Concrete sea-wall and firm grassy paths, with a few sections of beach and dune walking.

#### **Facilities**

Caister offers a wealth of cafes and pubs, camping and caravan accommodation and bed and breakfast accommodation as well as a number of self-catering options. North Denes is only a short distance from Great Yarmouth, which offers amenities to cater for all tastes and budgets. There are public toilets at the route's start point, and a short distance south along North Drive following the end point.