

Cystic Fibrosis

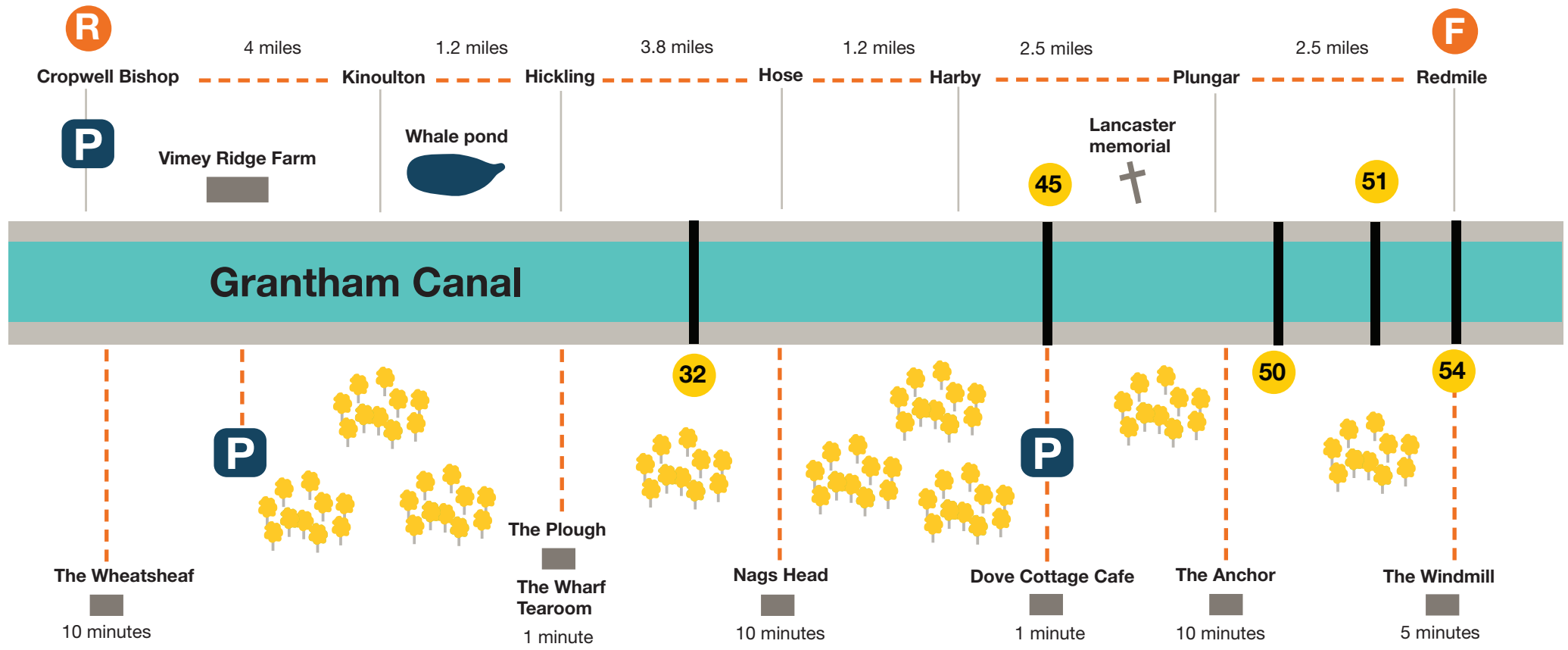
why we're walking

Grantham Canal Walk
Nottingham
Sunday 7 April 2019, 10am–3pm

For any emergencies on the day please call 07887 594654.

Total walk distance – 15.2 miles

Minutes shown represent walking time from tow path to pub or tea rooms in case you want to stop for refreshments on the way!



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R Registration/start

P Car park

■ Pub/Tearoom

18 Bridge

F Finish

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Points of interest

The canal was built in the late 18th century to carry coal, coke and lime to Grantham and agricultural goods to Nottingham. It was abandoned in 1936 but still remains for leisure use. The total length of the Canal is about 35 miles although we are only using a 15 mile section.

The majority of the walk is through the Vale of Belvoir with beautiful views. There are swans, ducks and moorhens on the water and many other birds to see in the hedgerows on either side of the canal.

At Kinoulton there is a living war memorial to the men of the Sherwood Foresters who were wounded and lost their lives at Vimy Ridge in WWI. The canal crosses the lane to Vimy Ridge Farm which had poplar trees planted to resemble a French farm and there is an information board giving more information.

At Hickling, the Basin has many ducks and swans on it and at the side there is a late 18th Century or early 19th Century canal Warehouse which is now a tea room. Legend also has it that on a full moon a whale comes up the canal from the sea and turns around at Hickling before going back to the sea.

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On the footpath between Harby and Plungar there is a memorial to the crew of Lancaster ED549 who lost their lives in 1943 when their plane crashed as they returned from a mission.

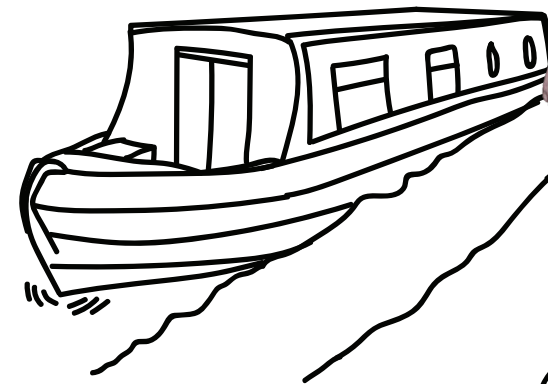
The section of the canal from the Harby Rectory Bridge to the Redmile No 54 Bridge is a Site of Special Scientific Interest for its exceptional range of aquatic and marginal plants which have adapted for slow moving water.

The majority of the locks on the canal have fallen into disrepair although a few have been replaced. Many of the original bridges have been replaced but there are still some original brick built bridges to see.

You do not have to start at Cropwell Bishop. Why not preregister and start at Plungar or Harby and walk to Redmile (2.5 or 5 miles). Many consider this is the best part of the Canal. Or walk from Hickling to Hose (3.8 miles). Beautiful countryside.

List of bridges along the walk route:

- 32 Clarke's Bridge
- 45 Stathern Lodge Bridge
- 50 Barkestone Bridge
- 51 Jericho Lodge Bridge
- 51 Bridge 54, Redmile



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