

Application for a Modification Order

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

The Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way for the County of Lancashire

To: The County Secretary and Solicitor, Lancashire County Council.
Of: PO Box 78, County Hall, Fishergate, Preston, Lancashire, PR1 8XJ

X/ We: (Name of applicant) **CLITHEROE RAMBLERS**

Of: (address of applicant) **40 IAN NICOL 52a LOWERGATE
CLITHEROE LANCASHIRE BB7 1AD**

Hereby apply for an order under section 53(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981
modifying the Definitive Map and statements for the area by:

1. Deleting the [footpath] [bridleway] [restricted byway] [byway open to all traffic]
FROM:

TO:

2. Adding the [footpath] [bridleway] [restricted byway] [byway open to all traffic]
FROM: **SAWLEY ROAD, UP LANE BY FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE**

TO: **START OF FOOTPATHS 3, 5 & 44 at GREENEND COTTAGE**

3. [Upgrading] [downgrading] to a [footpath] [bridleway] [restricted byway] [byway
open to all traffic] the [footpath] [bridleway] [restricted byway] [byway open to all
traffic]

FROM:

TO:

4. [Varying] [adding to] the particulars relating to the [footpath] [bridleway] [restricted
byway] [byway open to all traffic]

FROM:

TO:

BY PROVIDING THAT: **THE PATH HAS BEEN WALKED, UNIMPEDED,
BY THE PUBLIC FOR A PERIOD OF OVER 20 YEARS**

AND SHOWN ON THE MAP ACCOMPANYING THE APPLICATION

Certificate of Service of Notice of an Application for a Modification Order

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Hereby certify that the requirements of paragraph 2 of Schedule 14 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 have been complied with.

DATED:

SIGNED:



Additional information

NOTE: You are required to notify all owners and occupiers of any land to which the application relates and a failure to do so will invalidate your application.

Details of Modification ADDITION OF A PUBLIC RIGHT OFWAY FROM
SAWLEY ROAD, ALONG LANE TO START OF PUBLIC
FOOTPATHS NO 3, 5 & 44 AT GREENEND COTTAGE
MODIFICATION TO THE DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT

List of Landowners Notified MR DAVID WEBB, LANDOWNER OF GREENEND + LANE
MR & MRS J HARGREAVES OF GREENEND COTTAGE
MR MATTHEW TAYLOR (OCCUPIER) FRIENDS COTTAGE
MRS WENDY HAMPTON (LOCAL AGENT) FRIENDS MEETING HOUS
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Method of Service of Notice MR ASHWORTH LANDOWNER THE CROFT.

DELIVERY BY HAND TO MR WEBB
MR & MRS HARGREAVES
MR MATTHEW TAYLOR
MRS WENDY HAMPTON
MR & MRS ASHWORTH

BY RECORDED DELIVERY TO FRIEND TRUST LTH AND MONTHLY MEETING TRUSTS

Private
No public right of way



Evidence forms

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|---------------------------|--|
| 1. Ian Wardle | Long Distance Walker |
| 2. Eddie Ross | Long Distance Walker |
| 3. Gordon Woodward | Scout Leader |
| 4. Roger Dewhurst | Fell Runner/Walker |
| 5. Pat Parrott | Footpath Secretary/Walk Leader |
| 6. Ben Brown | Footpath Secretary/Walk Leader |
| 7. Roger Brickell | Walker |
| 8. Norman Thorpe | Footpath Secretary/Walk Leader |
| 9. Michael Richardson | Walk Leader |
| 10. Sue Baxendale | Walk Leader |
| 11. Frank Walker | Walker |
| 12. Mr & Mrs B. Walker | Walking Group |
| 13. Walter Berry | Walker |
| 14. Trevor Whittaker | Walk Leader |
| 15. Brian Davies | Walker |
| 16. Clitheroe 60K Walk | Devised 1992 |
| 17. Cicerone Guide | Forest of Bowland Walks |
| 18. Cicerone Guide | Walks in Ribble Country |
| 19. Rural Life | Country Trails |
| 20. Friends Meeting House | Public Services, Weddings, Burial Ground |

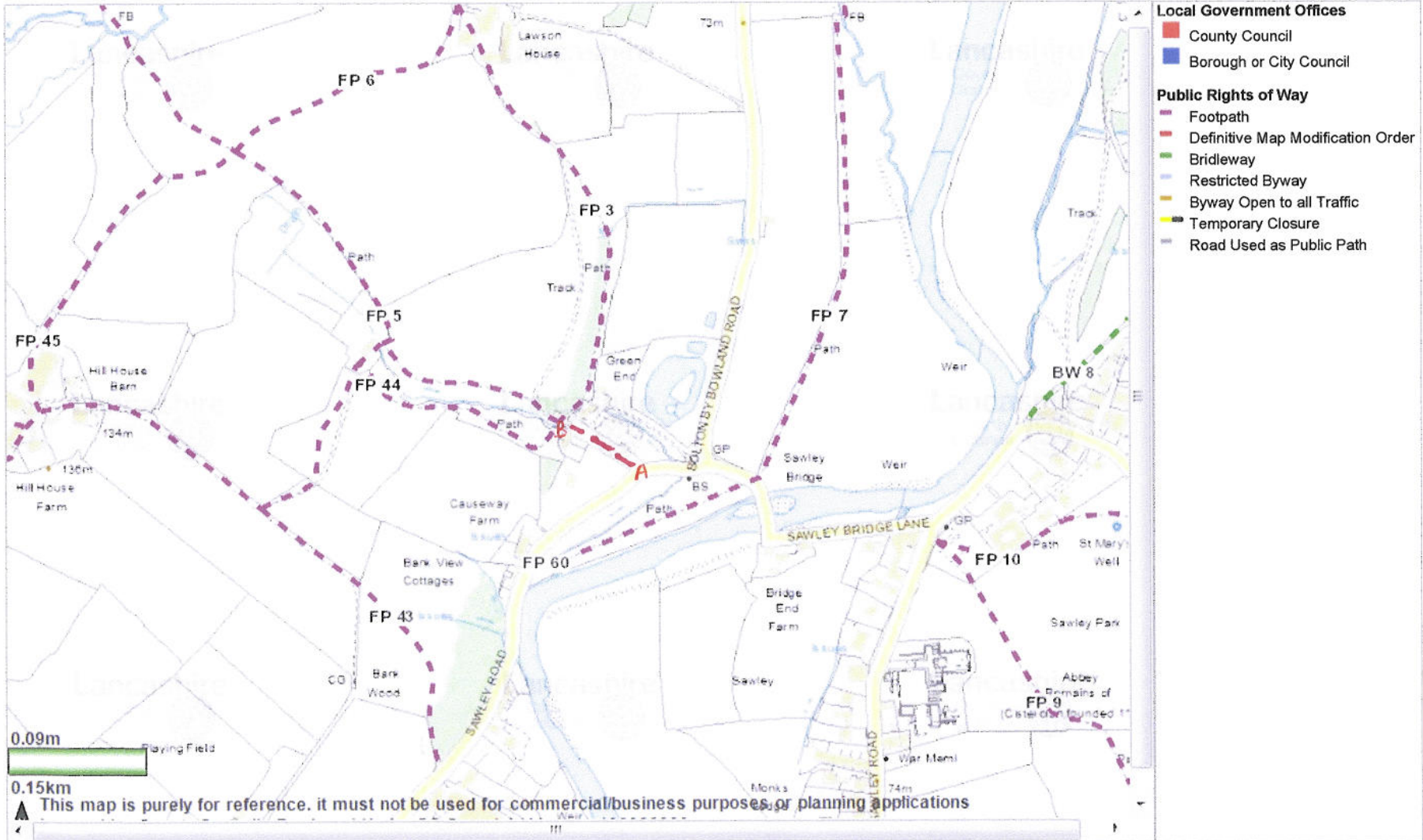
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Green End Sawley

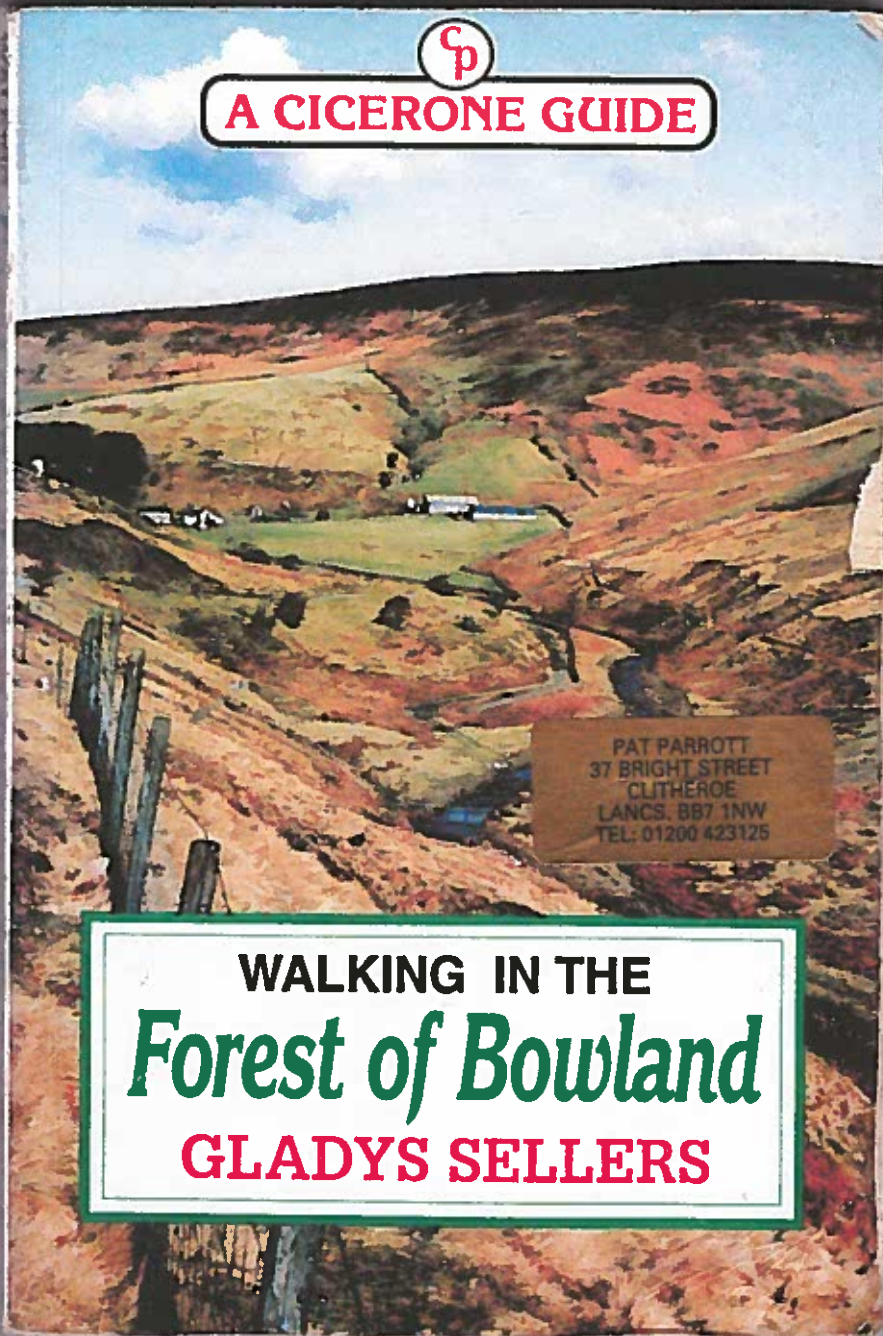


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Grindleton Parish Boundary





- Guide devised around 1990 published in 1994
- Acknowledgements thank Miss Pilkington for check walking routes around 1990 prior to publication
- Chapter 5 illustration map shows footpath to Scriddles Farm past Friends Meeting House
- Page 151 'Sawley to Scriddles Farm describes route out of Sawley past Friends Meeting House and through gate (by Green End Cottage).

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The Yorkshire Dales
The South Pennines
The Douglas Valley Way
The Ribble Way

Front cover: Dunsop Bridge to Middle Knott with High Laithe
Farm. Photo: Richard Lowe

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Advice to Readers

Readers are advised that whilst every effort is taken by the author to ensure the accuracy of this guidebook, changes can occur which may affect the contents. It is advisable to check locally on transport, accommodation, shops etc but even rights of way can be altered and, more especially overseas, paths can be eradicated by landslip, forest fires or changes of ownership.
The publisher would welcome notes of any such changes.

Chapter 5

WALKS AROUND THE SOUTHERN FRINGE

Starting at Sawley

- 5.1 Sawley to Bolton-by-Bowland, Category B
- 5.2 The Ribble Way from Sawley, Category B
- 5.3 Easington Fell from Sawley, Category A or B+

Starting at Hurst Green

- 5.4 Longridge Fell and the Hodder, Category B+ or B

STARTING AT SAWLEY

SAWLEY TO BOLTON-BY-BOWLAND

Walk 5.1

The stile beyond the river bridge at Sawley somehow invites exploration of the countryside beyond, and this walk to Bolton-by-Bowland does just that. It is hardly a riverside walk but a walk through highly scenic parkland. After a stroll through the village the walk returns by a different route but involves fording Skirden Beck, not easy except in dry weather, though there is an acceptable alternative.

Category: B

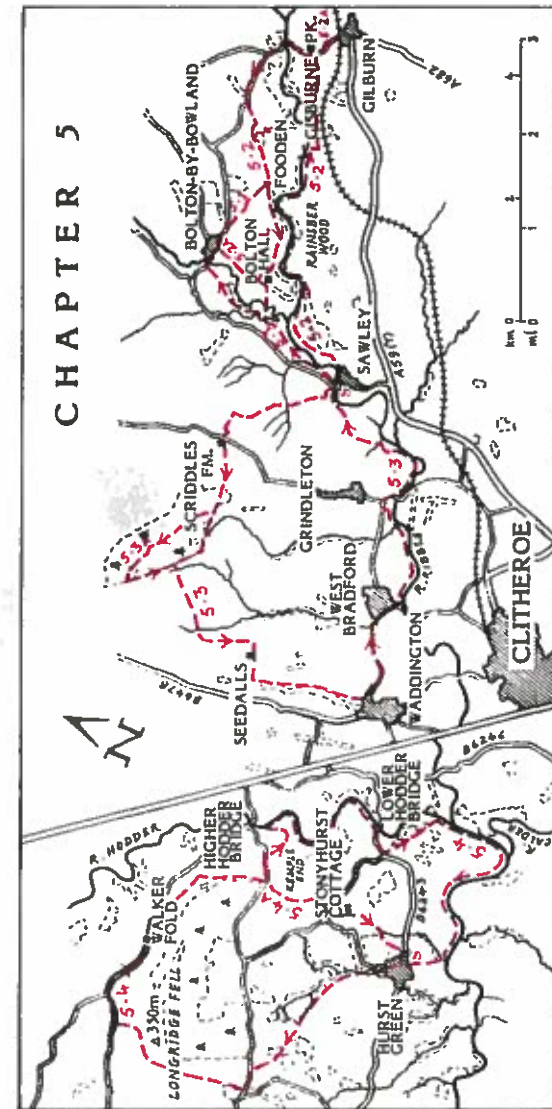
Time: about 2½ hours plus time spent in the village

Distance: 6 miles, 7½ if you divert from the ford

Map: Pathfinder Series No.669 Chipping and Clitheroe (SD64/74)

Start at: Sawley. There is room to park three or four cars off the road on the north side of the Ribble bridge. Alternatively roadside parking is possible near the Spread Eagle and the Abbey ruins.

Go past the hotel and over the river bridge where you will find a little gate into the field on the right - and a notice instructing you to keep away from the river banks and follow the hedge. A later one instructs you to follow the white stones. It gives the feeling that you are not



right-hand corner to find the stile, then continue down the field to a short length of wall near the right-hand corner to find the next stile, and then follow the line of trees to the corner to find the stile onto the road. Turn left and follow the road right through the village to the bridge over Skirden Beck. Turn to Walk 5.1 to read something about this tranquil and attractive village.

As soon as you have crossed the bridge turn left onto a farm access road. Keep straight ahead in the corner where the road swings left and follow the fence to find the next stile then slant across the top of the wood and follow that steeply down to a stile where you turn right to find a good footbridge over Holden Beck. Turn left and after the first stile cross a long field to its right-hand corner and shortly reach the banks of the Ribble, if briefly. Now you follow a line of white splashed stones then trees to reach the stile by the road bridge.

Sawley Abbey

Whilst you are at Sawley you may care to have a look at the ruins of Sawley Abbey, sometimes known as Salley Abbey. At first sight there is little left above ground through extensive foundations have been excavated. The abbey was never wealthy like its parent house, for its lands were poor, and the climate harsh. This is reflected in the quality of the stonework, for there is very little ashlar masonry and large parts are simply built of rough stone blocks, some of it of the easily weathered Worston Shales, the cause of the gaunt appearance of the remains. It is still worth a look, however. It is maintained by English Heritage.

For the record, Sawley Abbey was founded in 1147, a daughter house of Fountains Abbey, not the nearby Whalley Abbey (which was founded in 1216, having been at Stanlow, Cheshire, before that date). Like other monastic houses it was dissolved in 1536 by Henry VIII and much of the better stone carted away to be used again, common practice in those days.

EASINGTON FELL FROM SAWLEY

Walk 5.3

The top of Easington Fell, 396m, can't be seen from Sawley, so it may never occur to you to climb it from there, yet it makes a better walk from Sawley than from Slaidburn. There is a good route through the fields, and right of way tracks take you to the last stile, within $\frac{1}{4}$ mile of the summit cairn. Surely nobody is going to crib at that small

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distance to reach such a fine view point, arguably the best in the Bowlands? The return is via Waddington and the Ribble though it can be shortened by 2 miles by descending direct to West Bradford.

Category: Just A if you use the right of way paths through the forest, B+ if you use the forest instead

Distance: 12 miles

Time: 5½-6½ hours

Map: Pathfinder Series No.669 Chipping and Clitheroe (SD64/74)

Start at: Sawley. See Walk 5.1 for parking.

Sawley to Scriddles Farm

Assuming you are parked on the north side of the bridge walk along the road to Grindleton for about 150 yards and turn right into the first lane on the right. It is signed the Friends Meeting House. At its end go through the gate and follow the little stream until you are just below the garden of Acreland, then cross it by a good footbridge and continue on the other side. Already there are pleasing views up the Ribble Valley. You will find whitewash splashes on the trees to keep you on the straight and narrow, but take care to go diagonally left from the first hedge corner to pick up the next splash and avoid the NO PATH sign staring you in the face if you do not. (The Sawley Estates at work again!) At least route finding is now easy. Simply follow these white splashes through three fields climbing quite steeply in parts and in the fourth one cut diagonally across to Till House. That's now the end of them. Pass to the left of the farm and go behind it to join their access road where you turn left and follow it through the buildings ahead. When you've passed a sharp left-hand corner by the next farm, look out for the stile in a wobbly fence opposite the last part of the house and continue straight up the field to the road at Scriddles Farm.

Now the view ahead and to the left is opening out. Pendle blocks all distant views to the south but westwards the lower Ribble Valley punctuated by the chimney of the Chalburn cement works opens out very pleasantly.

Scriddles Farm to the Summit

Turn left and in a few yards turn right into a short lane signed, "Footpath to Moor Lane". A well used tractor route left of the farmyard gets you started then head left for the gate and beyond it,

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BEACON HILL 6½ MILES

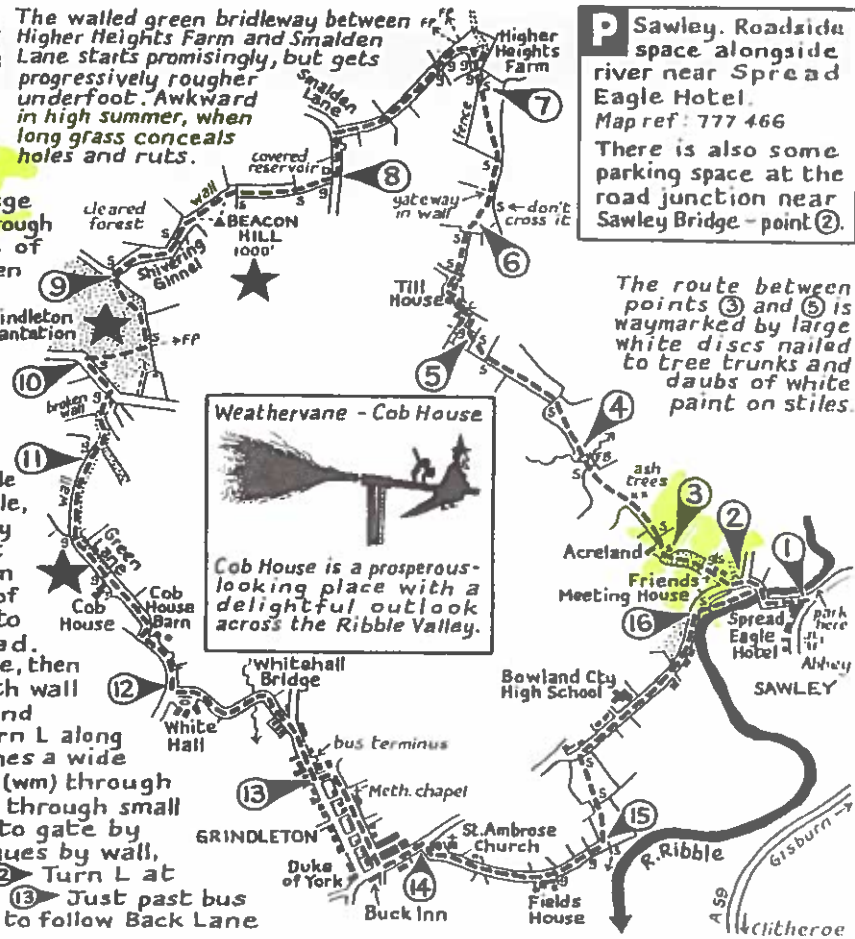
ROUTE DIRECTIONS

Walk along Bolton by Bowland road and over Sawley Bridge. ② At fork go L along Grindleton road. Turn R up to Friends' Meeting House and keep straight on, passing to immediate L of garage (looks private) to gate/stile. Straight on up through small plantation. ③ Make for stile well to R of house. Go forward with hedge on L, and when it turns away keep straight on past LH of two ash trees to descend to stile and footbridge. ④ Climb field to stile (wm), continue up LH side of fields, then bear R to house. ⑤ Take gate/stile to stone path through front garden. Cross stile into yard, then over cattle-grid to follow farm road through Till House Farm. At last farm building take stile (wm) up on R, then forward alongside fence to stile (wm). ⑥ Cross field to fence-stile, but don't use it. Turn L through wall-gateway and forward to stile. Bear slightly L in next field and head for farm. ⑦ Just before farm cross fence-stile. Through gates to pass L of farm. Follow wall on L, turning L with it into walled green lane. At its end turn L up road. ⑧ Take gate (FP sign) on R. Forward to stile, then up LH side of fenced gully. Keep on up with wall on R (detour L to visit O.S. column), then descend track between walls to plantation. ⑨ Turn L along path between trees and wall. It soon becomes a wide forest track. At wm turn R to follow path (wm) through forest to stile. ⑩ Turn L up road, then R through small gate (BW sign) and along clear green track to gate by narrow strip of woodland. ⑪ Track continues by wall, eventually developing into a farm road. ⑫ Turn L at T-junction to follow lane into Grindleton. ⑬ Just past bus terminus turn L (FP sign) up track, then R to follow Back Lane

The walled green brideway between Higher Heights Farm and Smalden Lane starts promisingly, but gets progressively rougher underfoot. Awkward in high summer, when long grass conceals holes and ruts.

P Sawley. Roadside space alongside river near Spread Eagle Hotel. Mapref: 777 466
There is also some parking space at the road junction near Sawley Bridge - point ②.

The route between points ③ and ⑤ is waymarked by large white discs nailed to tree trunks and daubs of white paint on stiles.



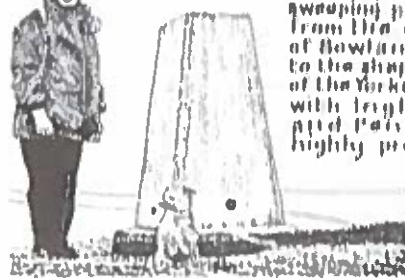
Moderately strenuous. Over 800' of uphill work, but with plenty of waymarks. Forest tracks less than on Beacon Hill is one of the fine

down to main road. Turn L between hedges. ⑫ At end of ⑫ Go R over stile (FP sign) a



Above the valley no south of the main ridge through the sky a road to be paid a wildcat locality

BEACON HILL is of modest but the view from its O.S. column is quite remarkable. To the SW deep smiles or frowns (depending on the at us across the Ribble. The northern aspect provides a sweeping view from the top of Bowland to the gap of the Yorks with high hills high



FROM "WALKS IN RIBBLE COUNTRY" BY JACK KEIGHLEY
A CICERO'S GUIDE PUBLISHED 1999

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

This Route Card is designed for use in conjunction with the following maps:

Pathfinder 669 (SD64/74) Clitheroe and Chipping
Pathfinder 680 (SD63/73) Longridge and Great Harwood
Pathfinder 660 (SD65/75) Slaidburn & The Forest of Bowland
and
Pathfinder 670 (SD84/94) Barnoldswick and Earby

A general direction of travel is given for each target, which can be reached by the use of Public Footpath, Permissive Path, Bridleway and short stretches of road.

The route may be completed in its entirety on one day or spread over as many days as suit individual walkers. A Certificate of Achievement is available from Clitheroe Information Centre upon completion of the route.

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Detail of Pendle Big End to Wellsprings Public House:

From Big End walk due west for approximately 800 metres (about 10 minutes) to wall and visible path. Turn left at wall and walk SW then SSW, keeping Ogden Clough on your left for 2.3 km (about 30 minutes). When you reach obvious path, turn WSW over side of Black Hill (GR 787 398). Continue on good track SW to first footpath junction on map. Turn right to Well Springs Public House. (Pathfinder 670).

- Devised by Eddie Ross in 1990
- Inaugurated by Ribbles Valley Mayor in 1995 to celebrate Ramblers 60th Anniversary
- Route as over shows Till House to Sawley Bridge

RAMBLERS JUBILEE COMMEMORATIVE WALK

CLITHEROE

60K

ROUTE CARD

Devised by Eddie Ross of Clitheroe Group this is a Long-Distance Circular Walk over Longridge Fell, to Newton, skirting Grindleton Fell, traversing Pendle Hill and includes nearly 5000 ft of ascent. The 'CLITHEROE 60K' was officially opened by the Mayor of the Ribbles Valley, Councillor Kate Hodkinson on the 15th April, 1995.

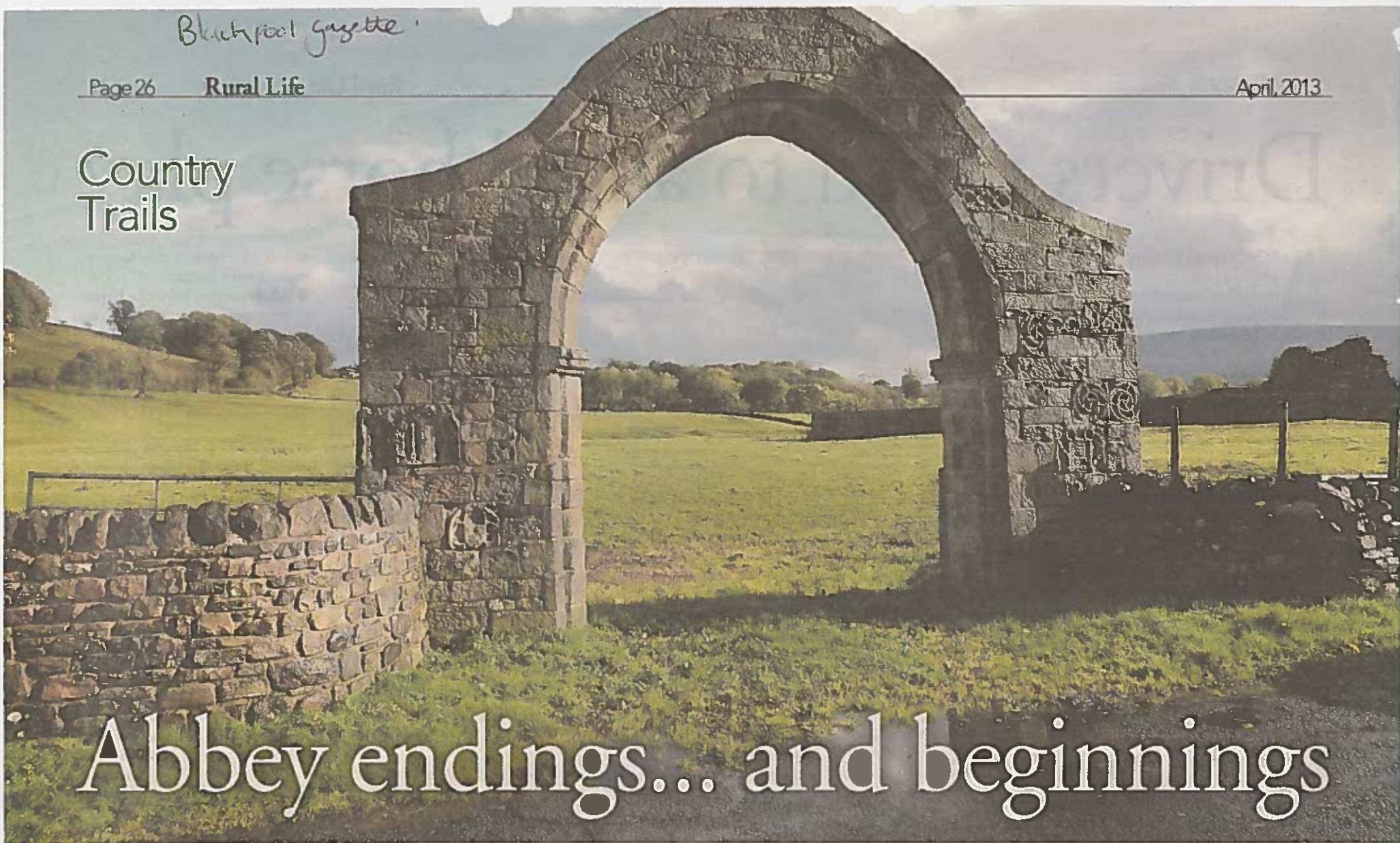
Please Note:
Directions for use
are given on the
back cover.



Target	Direction	Distance Km	Total Distance
Commencing Pathfinder 669 (GR 742 419)			
Clitheroe Railway Station	-	-	-
Weir on River Ribble	NW	0.9	0.9
Via Low Moor Footbridge to Edisford Rd (GR 726 415)	SW	1.4	2.3
Start of Footpath left off Bashall Rd (GR 721 416)	W	.5	2.8
Through Withgill Farm to road (GR 706 406)	SW	2.2	5.0
Inn near Higher Hodder Bridge	NW	1.0	6.0
First Footpath on left over bridge	W	.2	6.2
Ryddings Farm	SSE	0.8	7.0
Birdy Brow	WNW	0.7	7.7
Via Kemple End to Stockbridge Rd (Pathfinder 680)	SSW	1.9	9.5
Right on road to Stock Bridge	NW	0.3	9.9
Left to Higher Deer House	SW	0.9	10.8
Greengore	SSW	0.4	11.2
Low Hill Wood (GR 657 395)	WNW	2.1	13.3
Plantation and Lennox Farms (Pathfinder 669)			
and Spire Hill Trig Point	N	1.5	14.8
Bradley Hall	NW	1.7	16.5
Carr Side Farm	NW	1.1	17.6
Bailey Hippings	N	0.6	18.2
Right turn at river to Loud Mytham Bridge	NE	0.8	19.0
Townley House	NW	1.7	20.7
Via Leagram Mill to Knot Barn	NNE	0.9	21.6
Via Lower Greystoneley to Higher Greystoneley	NNE	1.2	22.8
Fair Oak	NE	0.6	23.4
Via New Laund Hill to Reed Bar Cottage	NNE	1.8	25.2
Burholme Bridge	NE	0.9	26.1
Burholme Farm	NNE	0.7	26.8
Via Hodder Bank Fell to Giddy Bridge	NE	2.3	29.1
Farrowfield	ESE	1.2	30.3
Newton Bridge (Pathfinder 660)	NE	1.1	31.4
Footpath to Dunnaw along Hodder	NE	1.0	32.4
Cross Hodder to Manor House	SE	0.7	33.1
Broadhead Farm	NE	1.2	34.3
Harrop Hall	E	1.4	35.7
Harrop Lodge	ESE	1.1	36.8
(Pathfinder 669) Harrop Fold	S	0.8	37.6
Swan Barn	S	0.7	38.3
Footpath Junction (GR 747 480)	S	1.0	39.3
Via Beacon Hill Trig to road	E & NE	1.1	40.4
Scridbles Farm	S	0.3	40.7
* Till House	ESE	0.5	41.2
* Sawley Bridge	SE	1.8	43.0
Over Sawley Bridge to Sawley (GR 466 777)	SE	0.3	43.3
To A 59, then footbridge over Smithies Brook	SE	1.5	44.8
Downham Post Office	S	1.4	46.2
Clay House	SE	1.5	47.7
To Pendle Road, then left along it	SW & SE	0.6	48.3
At GR 798 432 take permissive path on right			
to Pendle Big End Trig (Pathfinder 670)	SSE	2.5	50.8
Well Springs PH (Further details on back cover)	SW	4.0	54.8
(Pathfinder 670) Howcroft Barn	N	0.9	55.7
(Pathfinder 669) Mearley Hall	NNW	0.9	56.6
A 59 (Clitheroe Bypass)	NW	1.2	57.8
High Moor	NW	0.3	58.1
Pendle Road (GR 747 416)	W	1.0	59.1
Through Clitheroe back to Railway Station	NW	0.8	59.9

C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S !

Country Trails



Abbey endings... and beginnings

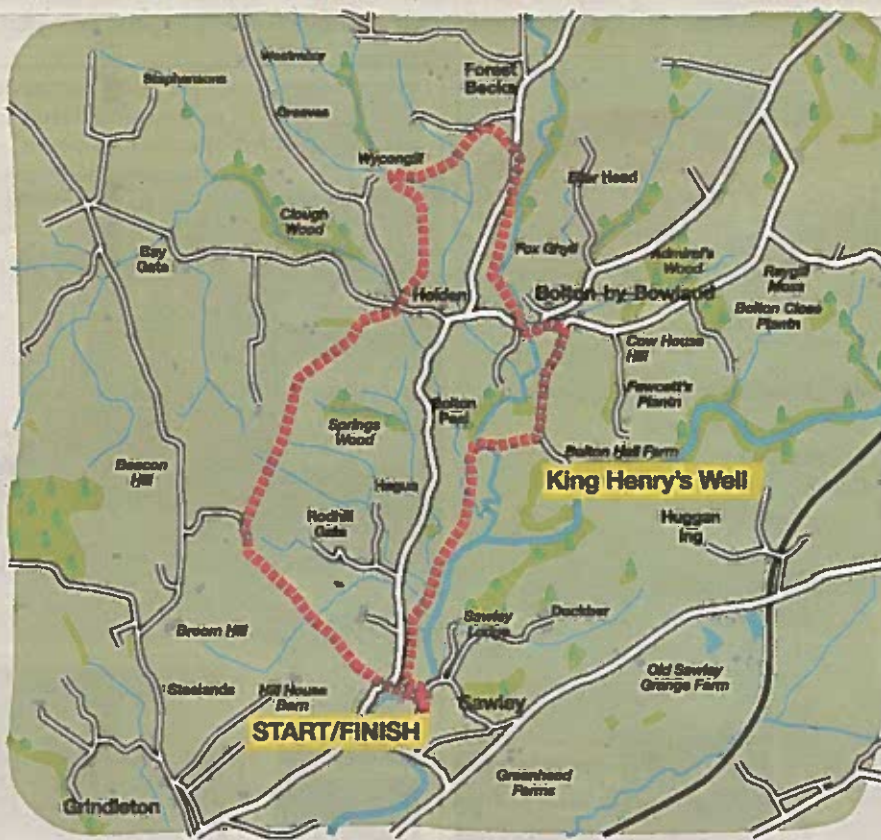
THIS is a walk through history, both medieval and modern, on a route that encompasses some of the loveliest scenes in Lancashire.

Directions: From the abbey entrance, walk past the Spread Eagle pub and turn left to cross the River Ribble. At the junction turn left, but almost immediately turn right on to the drive of the Friends Meeting House.

Keep ahead to reach the forecourt of a garage next to a wooden gate. Edge along the left side of the forecourt to reach a footpath on the left. This soon enters woodland, steadily climbing. After a stile, the path continues across pasture to drop to a footbridge across a stream before re-commencing the steady climb to Till House. Just before Till House, cross a stile into its garden, cross the lawn to the far side of the house and follow waymark signs to its drive, which leads past a farmhouse and then swings left between buildings. When the drive swings left again, keep ahead to a stile on top of a wall.

Keep ahead with a fence on the right. After the next stile, cross a depression in rough pasture to a stile on the skyline. Over this, and you commence the long descent to Holden. Initially, it crosses a field to pass between two gateposts, and then continues north-east, passing through two metal gates to enter a large pasture. On the far side, aim for an isolated barn. Just beyond the barn, go through a small gate and continue a gentle descent to Holden.

When you reach the lane turn right and then at the junction left. After 50m, turn right to climb through a narrow gap in the high wall. With the hedge on the



Start/finish: Sawley, close to the remains of the Cistercian Abbey.
Distance: 11.5km (7 miles)
Time: 3 – 4 hours
Summary: Moderate
Maps: OS OL 41 The Forest of Bowland.

left, pass through a gate on the left and continue with the hedge on the right. After the next stile the path enters water meadows – water that has to be crossed.

After the stream continue up a low rise to make a surprising discovery – the site of a nuclear war civil defence bunker. The way continues to a metal gate,

giving out onto a farm track. Turn left and follow the track as it passes to the left of a large farmhouse called Hungrill. Keep on the track as it passes behind Hungrill, and then 50m before it reaches pasture, go through a metal gate on the left. Broadly following the fence on the right, continue over an isolated stile to swing round to the farmstead of Green Ford. The footpath is well signed here, leading through the yard to a metal gate. Go through this and cross the next field to a lane. Turn right. After 300m, turn left through the yard of a defunct garden centre, and after crossing a stile join a riverside path to Bolton by Bowland. As you reach the road, turn left and continue past the green and church to a drive on the right. Passing between two impressive gateposts keep on the drive for 700m, before taking a track on the right. However, a short diversion is recommended here. Continue to King's House, where over a gate on the right King Henry's Well may be seen. After losing the battle of Hexham in 1464, Henry VI found refuge here. The well is linked in some way to that event. Back to the track (now on your left) follow it to a footbridge across Skirden Beck. The path then turns right, skirts a patch of woodland, and then bears left across meadows to reach a second footbridge. Go over this and bear left to cross two large fields, bringing you to the banks of the Ribble. Turn right and, after passing through a plantation of young trees, follow the river back to Sawley.

● Route devised by Edward Walton of the Burnley Contingent and described by John Griffiths and Bob Clare. For an illustrated version of this walk go to www.lancashirewalks.com.

Friends Meeting House

Meeting for worship every Sunday at 10:30

Where is the Meeting House: Friends Meeting House, Sawley Road, Sawley, CLITHEROE BB7 4RS

History: Original building built in 1742, Green End built in 1777



Picture from: <http://www.churches-uk-ireland.org/lancs.html>

OS: SD778466

- Meeting House has regular services open to the public
- Meeting House has burial ground open to the public
- Meeting House has Wedding Licence meaning it is a public place

Access to the Meeting House is along the Lane from Sawley Road or footpaths from Lawson House, Till House and Hill House.