



Bearpark

1 From the starting post turn left face Bearpark Primary School and then turn right following the road towards the play area and cricket club. Continue as the road bears right and follow it downhill with the wood on your right. Follow the road all the way down to the river and cross over the bridge.

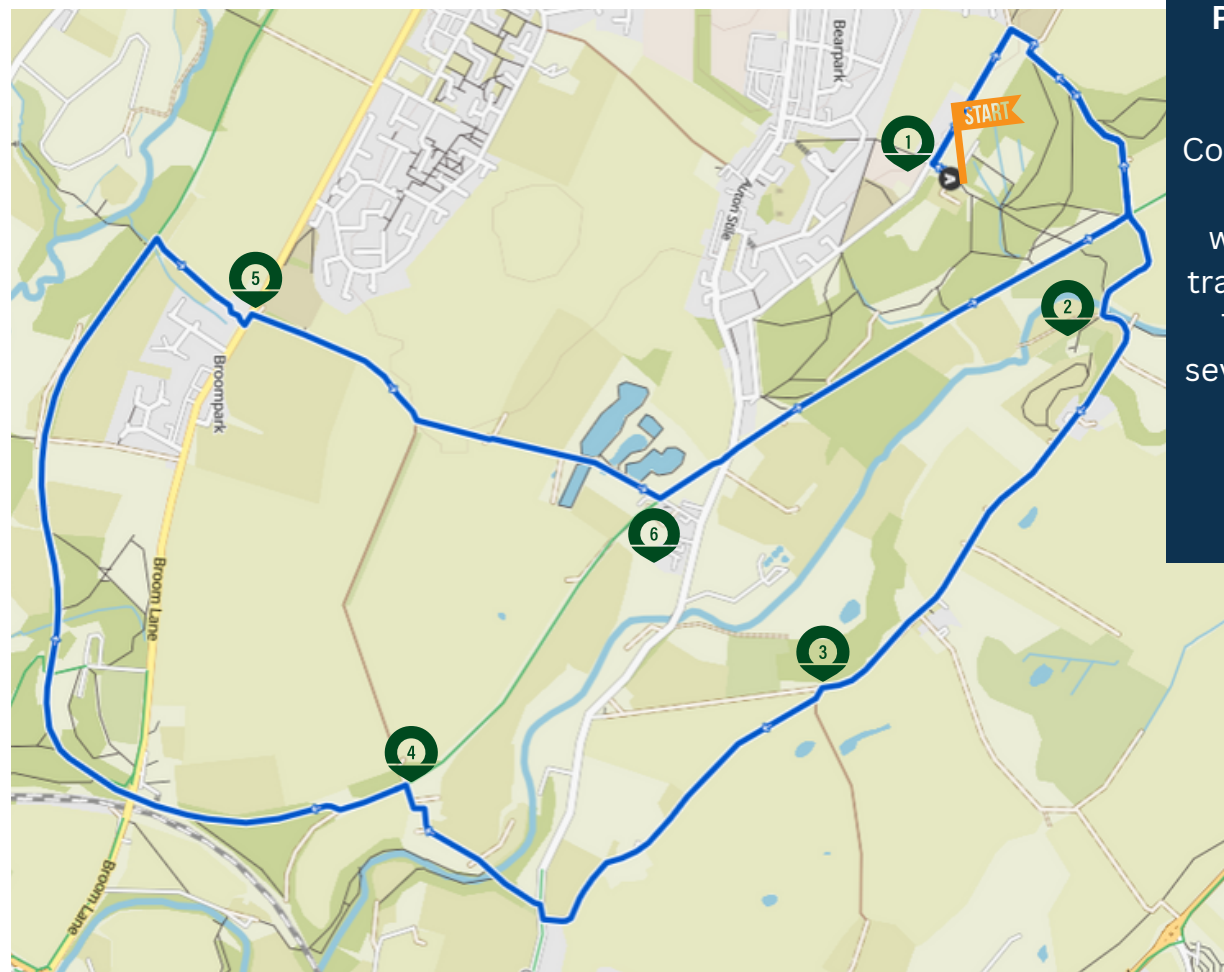
2 Over the bridge, follow the road as it winds its way up the hill passing West Hall Barn on the right and several cottages on the left. Cross a stile and carry on until you reach a second stile with Stotgate Farm on your left. Cross the stile and continue on until you reach a gate on your left.

3 Pass through the gate and where the path forks follow it diagonally right across the fields until you reach a gate. Carry on through the gate and on through Arbour House Farm following the road as it drops down to the main road. Cross the road and take the footpath to the right leading down to the river. Cross the bridge and walk on up through a farmyard, pass through a gate before joining the Lanchester Valley Railway Path.

4 On meeting the Lanchester Valley Railway Path turn left and follow it until you reach Broompark picnic area. Continue straight on as the Lanchester Valley Railway Path becomes the Deerness Valley Railway Path. Continue on the track for a stretch until you reach a public footpath sign on your right. Follow it back up to the main road passing West Broom Farm on your left just before you reach the road.

5 Cross the main road and look left to pick up the bridleyway sign just before the football pitch. Follow the path as it winds to the right. Watch for a stile on your left and cross it before following the path downhill past fishing ponds on your left and a farmyard on your right. Stop where the path meets up with the Lanchester Valley Railway Path.

6 Turn left onto the Lanchester Valley Railway Path and follow it down to the main road. Cross the road and continue along the path until you reach a crossroads. Turn left and follow the road you originally came down as it takes you all the way back to the start/end point.



Distance: 6.2 Miles

Duration: 2 hours

Postcode: DH7 7AU

What to expect:
Countryside walk along grassy paths, woodland, surfaced tracks and open fields. This walk contains several sets of stiles to cross

