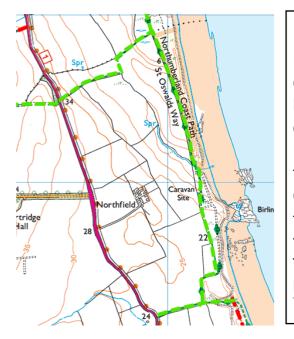
# The Warkworth Parish Rights of Way Survey 2020/2023



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# Right of Way 137/001 - Bridleway

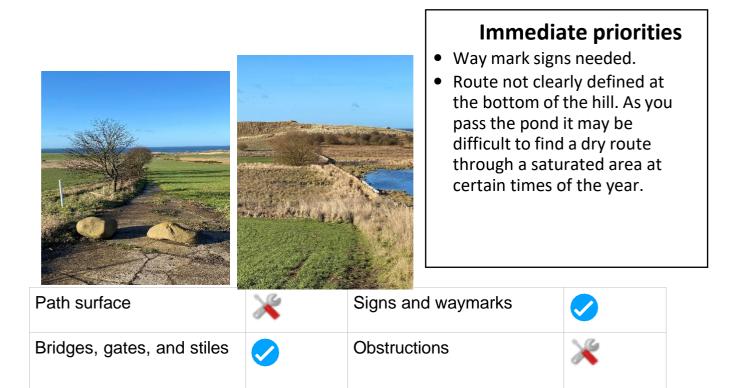


### Route

From the A1068 at the Ghost Plantation, walk down a good track towards Buston Links. At the bottom of the hill the unmarked track goes directly north across the field to the low wall. Follow the wall through a marshy area east to turn right (south) onto the coastal path, St Oswald's Way. Continue on this path through the caravan site and along a good track across the golf course to join footpath 137/002. There is a new link path taking you down to the beach and the edge of the golf course.

# **Current condition**

Wooden signposts west and east of A1068. Good track down towards Buston Links. Difficult to find a dry track around the pond. Broken gate onto Saint Oswald's Way. **Rating - 2** 



### Right of Way 137/002 - Bridleway



#### Route

From the bend on the A1068 turn onto the track towards Birling Carrs, locally known as Killiecrankie and walk in an easterly direction to the beach. At the end of the track, you cross the golf course heading under a footbridge towards the dunes. This path joins the 137/01 and the 137/042.

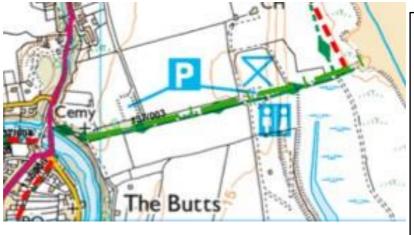
#### **Current condition**

The track is metalled as far as the golf course and in good condition. The field is rough and can get boggy. Ring the bell under the footbridge if golfers are playing.

Rating - 3



# Right of Way 137/003 - Bridleway

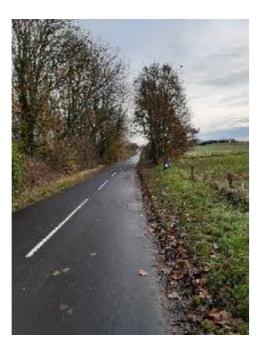


#### Route

From the new bridge in Warkworth on the A1068, walk up Cemetery Bank and along a metalled road in an easterly direction towards Warkworth Beach car park. The path continues along the edge of the field. Then walk down to the beach to join 137/042.

# **Current condition**

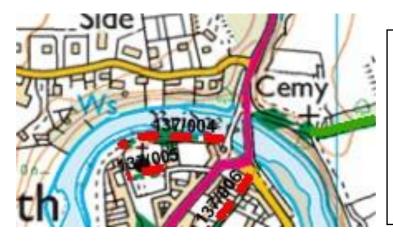
The metalled road is in good condition and easy to walk. **Rating - 3** 



Immediate priorities			
None			

Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates, and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/004 - Footpath



Route

Known as Monks Walk. From the south side of the old bridge in Warkworth walk west along the river to The Stanners.

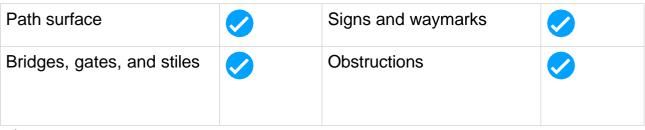
#### **Current condition**

Good condition. Metalled path. Rating - 3

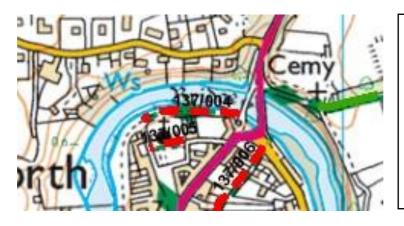




Immediate priorities		
None		



# Right of Way 137/005 - Footpath



#### Route

From the tithe barn on St Lawrence's Terrace walk west in front of the church through the churchyard.

#### **Current condition**

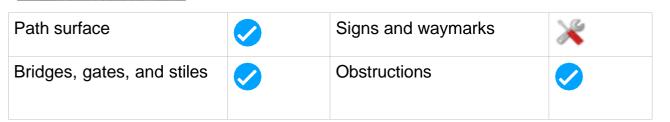
A well maintained and well used footpath. No footpath signs at either end, although the route is obvious. **Rating - 3** 





### **Immediate priorities**

• No signposts but the route is obvious. Possibly put waymark signs at each entrance.



# Right of Way 137/006 - Footpath



#### Route

From the Millennium Garden at the south side of the bridges, walk south to The Sun Hotel. To the east of the path, known as Ember, lie medieval burgage plots.

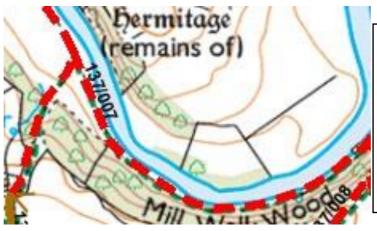
# **Current condition**

Path in good condition so easy to walk. Rating - 3



Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates, and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/007 - Footpath



#### Route

From The Stanners walk along the side of the river in a westerly direction to The Hermitage Cave boat landing.

Then turn left uphill to Howlet Hall.

### **Current condition**

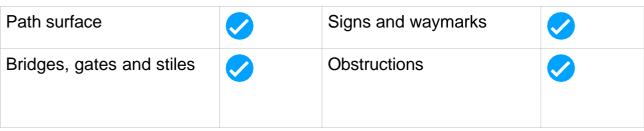
Mainly metalled or path in good condition.

### Path rating - 3

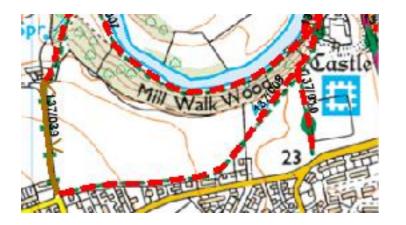


# **Immediate priorities**

None



# Right of Way 137/008 - Footpath

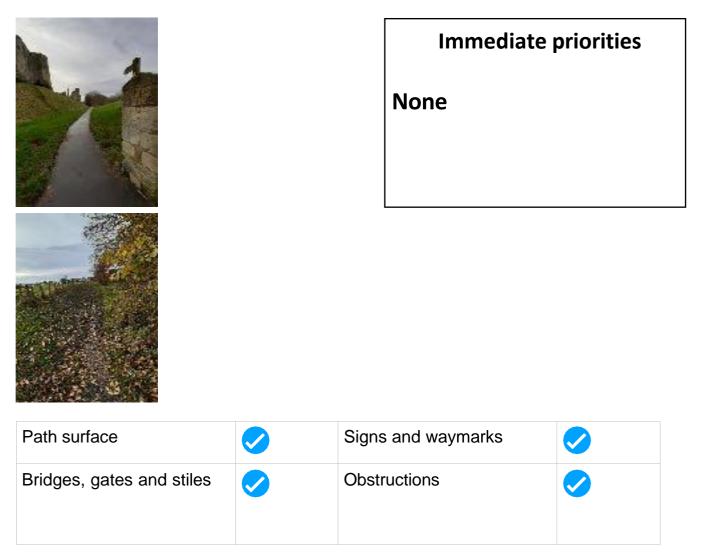


### Route

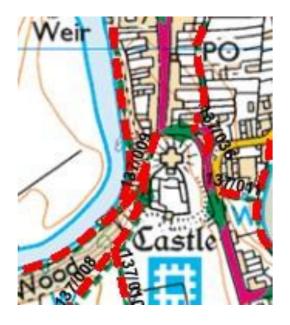
From the top of Castle Street walk around the base of the castle in a south westerly direction and across the playing field. Then walk along the edge of the field to join Watershaugh Road.

# **Current condition**

Part metalled, narrow in places, and part field which gets very boggy in wet weather. Signposted at the top of Castle Street and at Watershaugh Road. Rating - 3



# Right of Way 137/009 - Footpath



#### Route

From the top of Castle Street walk down the steep path to the boat landing on the river to join the 137/007.

### **Current condition**

Good condition. Metalled but steep path. Signposted. **Rating - 3** 

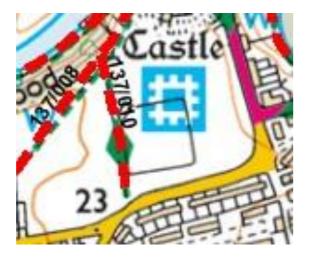


### Immediate priorities

None



# Right of Way 137/010 - Footpath



#### Route

From Morwick Road past the cricket pitch to join path 137/008 adjoining the north side of the castle.

# **Current condition**

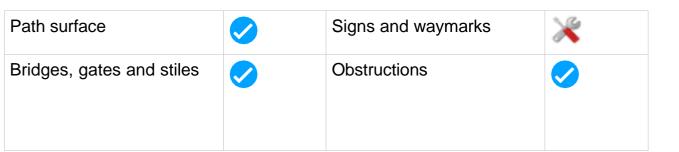
Partly paved. Signposted from Morwick Road. **Path rating - 3** 



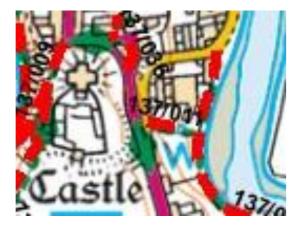


### **Immediate priorities**

 A waymark sign at the junction of paths 137/008 and 137/010 would be helpful.



# Right of Way 137/011 - Footpath



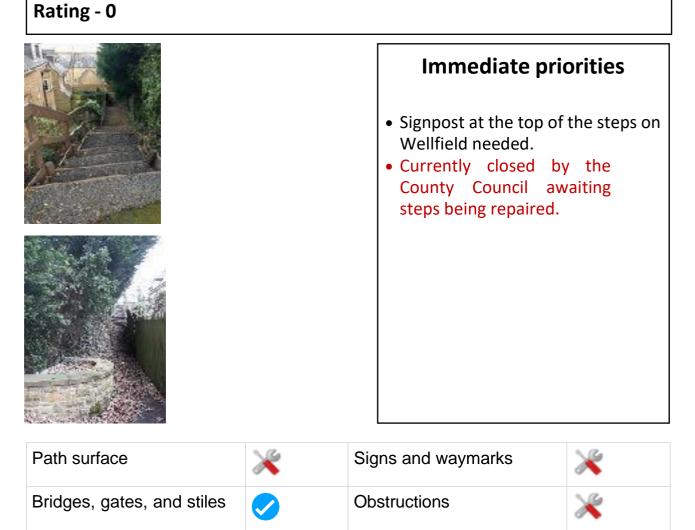
#### Route

From Wellfield, below the castle, walk down steep steps to the well.

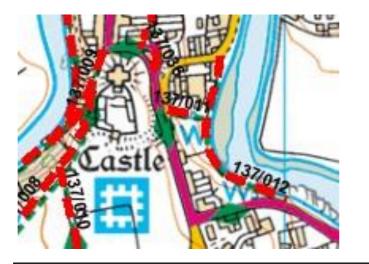
### **Current condition**

There is a handrail down steep steps to the well, although the lower steps are not well maintained.

No signpost.



# Right of Way 137/012 - Footpath



#### Route

From the south end of The Butts walk in a southerly direction along the river bank and up the steep bank to join Beal Bank.

# **Current condition**

This footpath has disappeared completely from the landscape. No physical trace of this footpath could be found. Due to the steep bank and proximity to the river it is possibly unsuitable to be reinstated, except the section upstream where it is joined by right of way 137/011.

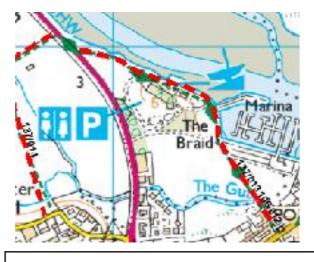
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Path surface	$\bigotimes$	Signs and waymarks	$\bigotimes$
Bridges, gates and stiles	$\bigotimes$	Obstructions	$\bigotimes$

# Right of Way 137/013 - Footpath



### Route

From where the A1068 Warkworth to Amble road deviates away from the river the path follows the river past the two boat clubs and Amble Marina, then across the Braid towards Queen Street, joining path 106/012 at the parish boundary.

### **Current condition**

The path is well used and fully functional, although it does get a little muddy in wet weather. Signposted.

Rating - 3



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None



Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/014 - Footpath



# Route

Walking down Rotary Way on the Warkworth to Amble A1068 turn right and walk across fields in a south westerly and then southerly direction to the top of Gloster Hill.

# **Current condition**

There is no way-sign and it appears as though the path should start through an open metal farm gate. At the other end of the footpath at the top of Gloster Hill, there is no way-sign and no real evidence of where the path might be sited. The location is just opposite the old barn buildings about 100 yards from Gloster Hill cottages. The path drops down hill diagonally east and crosses the little stream over the flat wooden bridge heading in the direction of the red roofed barn in the distance. 137/014 goes to the left of the red roofed barn along the hedge and then turns east along the hedge to the Amble/Warkworth road.

#### Path rating - 0





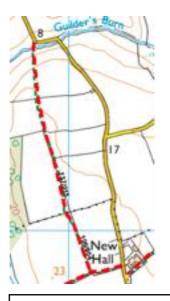


# Immediate priorities

- No way mark/footpath signs
- Locked gates
- Path route unclear

Path surface	$\bigotimes$	Signs and waymarks	$\bigotimes$
Bridges, gates and stiles	$\bigotimes$	Obstructions	$\bigotimes$

# Right of Way 137/015 - Footpath



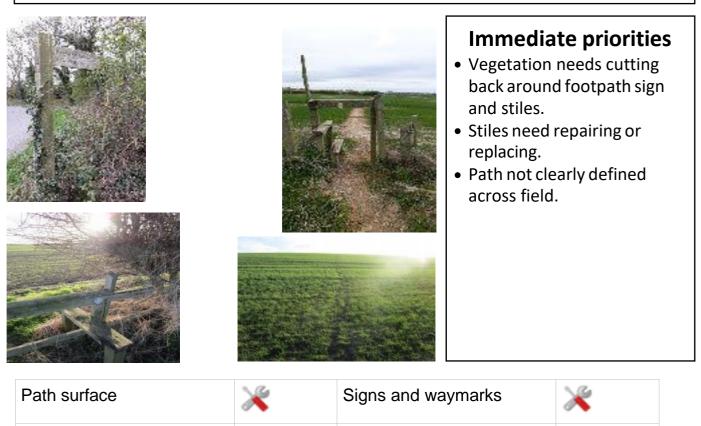
# Route

From Guilders Burn south of Warkworth on Guilden Road walk south across fields until you join footpath 106/004 on the parish boundary.

### **Current condition**

Signposted. Overgrown path with ivy and brambles. Wooden bridge crossing Guilders Burn in good condition. Path crosses ploughed/planted field but is not clearly defined at certain times of the year. Stiles are all in a poor state of repair.

#### Rating - 2



Obstructions

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Bridges, gates and stiles

# Right of Way 137/016 - Bridleway



#### Route

From the west end of Warkworth Avenue In a southerly direction through New Barns farm to become 106/013 at Parish boundary which meets 137/017 before continuing towards Togston. Forms part of St Oswald's Way.

# **Current condition**

Metalled track in good condition. Signs at Warkworth Avenue and at junction with 137/017. Gate towards south end of track.

Rating - 3

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	Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
	Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	



### Route

On the Warkworth to Acklington road, 100 metres south of Morwick Farm walk in an easterly direction until the bridleway joins the 106/013 heading north and south.This forms part of St Oswald's Way.

# **Current condition**

The track is in good condition, but can become rutted in wet weather. **Path rating - 3** 



Path surface	Signs and waymarks	×
Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/018 - Footpath



### Route

From the Warkworth to Acklington road enter Morwick Farm. Walk all the way through the farm buildings, continuing along the wide track. After half a mile the road descends with the wood on the left. As the road rises with some farm buildings ahead, climb the bank on your left, take the stile and cross the grass field diagonally to another stile by the railway line. Three quarters of a mile from Morwick Road to this point. Cross the line and take the stile at the other side. Follow the quad bike tyre marks diagonally over the planted field to the far fence. On joining the wellestablished path with the river below, turn left which becomes Acklington's footpath 101/012. One mile to this point.

# **Current condition**

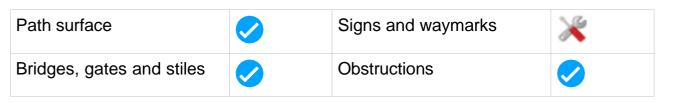
Decent car track most of the way. Cross a rough grass field. Railway line has a board walk. Planted field is marked by quad bike tyre tracks. Some way mark signs needed along the route.

#### Path rating - 3



#### **Immediate priorities**

- Check path across field is clearly defined at all times of the year.
- Waymark signs needed en route.



# Right of Way 137/019 - Footpath

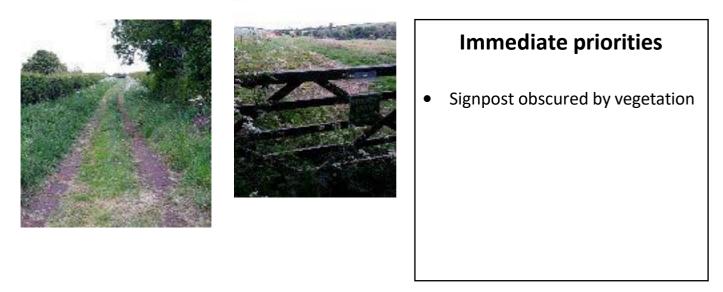


### Route

150 metres south of Black Bridge ford, walk south up the road slightly, then west to join 137/020 through the edge of the woods to Morwick ford.

### **Current condition**

The track is well signposted where it joins Coquet Moor road and there are way marks on the gate half way along the track and where it joins 137/020. The track is clear and easy to walk, although it can be overgrown with light vegetation in summer and autumn. **Path rating - 3** 



Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/020 - Bridleway



### Route

From the copse on Coquet Moor Road walk south along the edge of the wood down to cross the ford at Morwick to join the 137/041.The ford is in poor condition and only wadeable when the river is low.

### **Current condition**

The lonnen is just passable in winter, but has fallen trees and is usually overgrown with brambles and vegetation. This will be more of an issue in the summer months. There is a broken 5 bar gate at the north end which needs repairing and the footpath sign is not visible.

# Path rating - 1





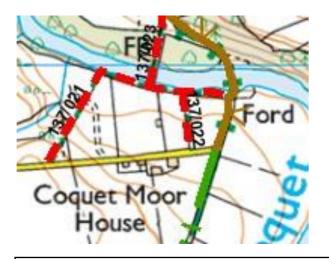


#### **Immediate priorities**

- Signpost needed at both ends
- Gate needs repairing
- Vegetation needs severely cutting back with loppers and secateurs
- Fallen trees and large shrubs need to be removed to allow access through the entire bridleway.

Path surface	×	Signs and waymarks	×
Bridges, gates and stiles	×	Obstructions	×

# Right of Way 137/021 - Footpath



### Route

From the south end of the ford on byway 137/038 West along the north bank of the river and then southwest through the caravan park to join the Coquet Moor road.

# **Current condition**

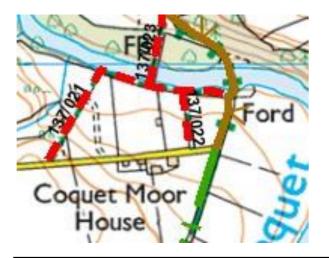
The path is poor due to slippage close to the junction with 137/022 and for the first 20m W of the Black Bridge. Remainder of riverside path is slightly overgrown. Sign at south end of path but none at north end. Good stile at entrance to caravan park. Path undefined through caravan park, but good grassy surface. Final section south to Coquet Moor road runs alongside a hedge and is less than 1 metre wide. Will be overgrown in summer.

Rating - 1





# Right of Way 137/022 - Footpath



#### Route

From footpath 137/021 approximately 25m east of the south end of the Black Bridge in a southerly direction through a field to join the Coquet Moor road.

# **Current condition**

Path surface on grass and road. The path starts at the north end at a gap in the fence where there is a broken way mark sign. No obvious start point at the south end. You need to walk through the caravan site, but there is no direct route.

Path rating - 2

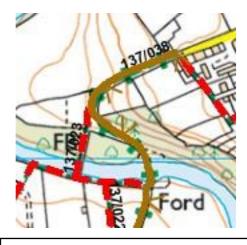


### **Immediate priorities**

- Footpath signs at each end of the path
- Waymark signs would be helpful through the caravan site



# Right of Way 137/023 - Footpath



#### Route

From byway 137/038 cross Black Bridge in a southerly direction to join 137/021

# **Current condition**

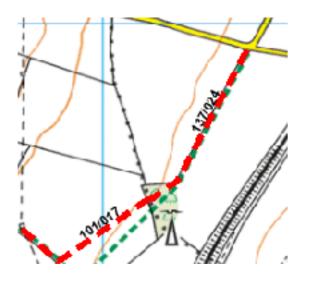
Good footbridge with narrow paved path to it. Vegetation may need cutting back in the summer months.

#### Path rating - 2



Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/024 - Footpath



#### Route

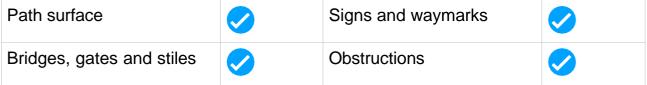
From Coquet Moor road west of the railway line walk in a southerly direction to join footpath 101/017 at the parish boundary. Then walk west to East House Farm.

### **Current condition**

Good path runs along the field edge and is at least 1 metre wide. Sign posted at start of the path.

### Path rating - 3





# Right of Way 137/025 - Footpath



### Route

From the Warkworth to Shilbottle road past Eastfield Cottages the path goes over a broken stile into a field. Walk south across fields to meet footpath 101/014 at the parish boundary.

# **Current condition**

Footpath along the edge of the first field is easy to walk. Some boggy areas in wet weather. No signs to show where the path turns left across a field and then right up the edge of a different field.

Rating - 2



# Right of Way 137/026 - Footpath



#### Route

From Southside walk across the field in a north easterly direction. Go through a gate, across a footbridge and join footpath 137/025 (Eastfield to Guyzance).

# **Current condition**

The sign has disappeared at the gate next to the cottages at Southside and there is no clearly defined path across the field. Difficult to locate the gate at the top end of the field . There is a small gate part way down the metalled road and possibly the footpath has been rerouted to walk east along the side of the field rather than walking across the middle of the field to join 137/040.

Path rating - 2



# **Immediate priorities**

- Signpost and waymark signs needed.
- Ascertain from the landowner if the footpath has been rerouted and thus easier to walk.
- Path route across the field is unclear and the way out of the field is difficult to find.



# Right of Way 137/027 - Footpath

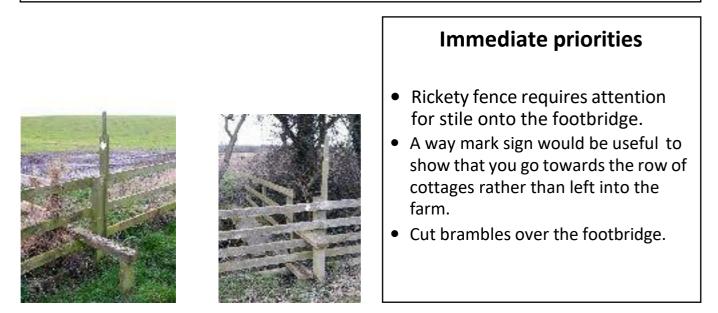


#### Route

From Sturton Grange walk north up a track across two cattle grids towards a row of cottages. Go over the stile on the left into the field and walk up the edge of the field to join footpath 132/016.

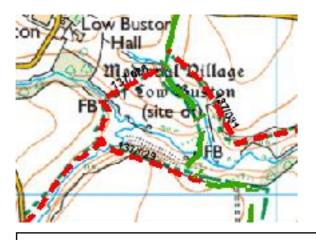
### **Current condition**

A clearly defined path across the field. The second stile (bottom photo) is over a rickety fence and some overgrown brambles need cutting back. Clear footpath signs. **Path rating - 2** 



Path surface		Signs and waymarks	×
Bridges, gates and stiles	×	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/028 - Footpath



#### Route

From the Warkworth to Shilbottle road, north of Eastfield Cottages, walk in a northeasterly direction down steep paths, across footbridges and across land to meet the 137/030 and thence to the Low Buston road, east of Low Buston Hall.

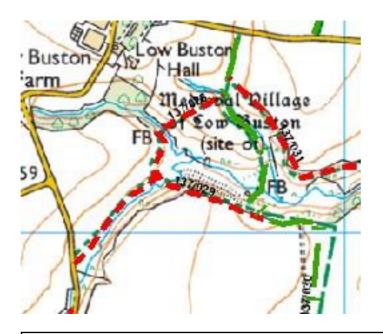
### **Current condition**

A signpost indicates the path down a steep muddy section into the field edge. This leads to a delightful glade with footbridge and streams. The path now follows the edge of the field below the medieval settlement. Footpath and way mark signs evident, but the steep path is overgrown and difficult to walk in the summer months and muddy in winter. **Path rating - 1** *Work underway to clear areas, but uneven ground to negotiate.* 



Path surface	×	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles	×	Obstructions	×

# Right of Way 137/029 - Footpath



#### Route

From Bridleway 137/030, north of Eastfield Cottages, walk along the edge of a field boundary to join Footpath 137/028.

#### **Current condition**

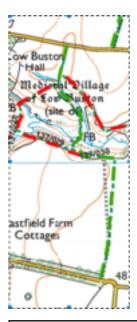
Walk along the edge of the planted field. The wide edge has been cleared, although uneven with stubble underfoot.

Path rating - 3

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Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/030 - Bridleway



### Route

From the road 450 metres south-east of Eastfield Farm in a north-easterly direction along a field access track, then in a westerly direction and following alongside a northern field boundary, before turning in a north-westerly and north-easterly direction, crossing the Tyelaw Burn by the footbridge and continuing in a north-westerly and northerly direction to join the road east of Low Buston.

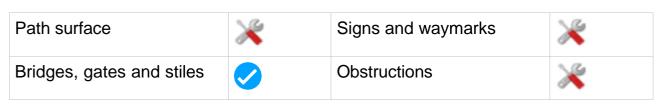
### **Current condition**

There is a signpost indicating a clear track across the field. Work is underway to replace gates, new tracks, and trees and vegetation cleared. Some sections are rather muddy during ongoing work and a mound of earth currently makes the path difficult to walk. **Path rating - 2** 



# Immediate priorities

- Landowner currently working on the site, replacing gates, and moving earth to reduce the gradient of the path downhill. Trees cleared to make the path more accessible.
- Replace way mark signs and signpost where gate has replaced the rickety wooden footpath gate.



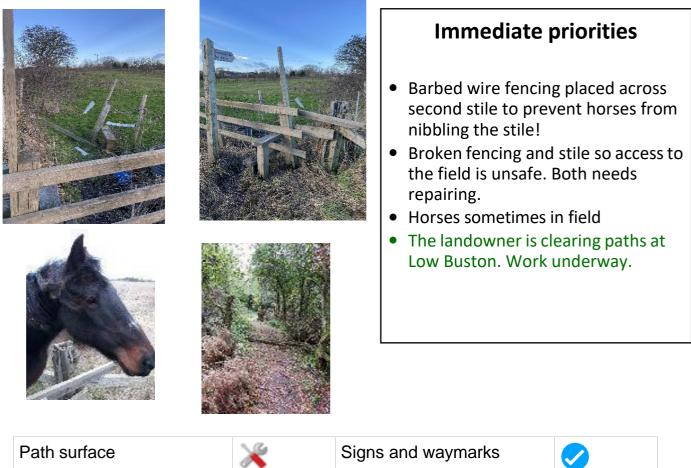


# Route

From Station Road north-east of Houndean Mill, cross a stile to walk across fields a north-westerly direction. Walk under the railway line and along the edge of a stream towards Low Buston Hall.

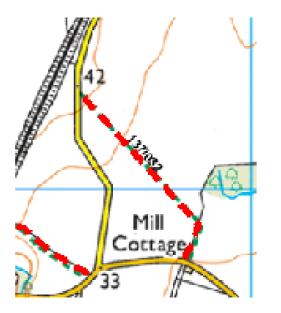
# **Current condition**

Due to broken stile and fence, barbed wire, and horses, it is difficult to enter the field at Houndean Mill safely. From Low Buston, the landowner is in the process of clearing the track and paths. Rather muddy and obstacles from roots and branches underfoot. **Path rating - 1** 



Path surface	×	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates, and stiles	×	Obstructions	×

### Right of Way 137/032 - Footpath



#### Route

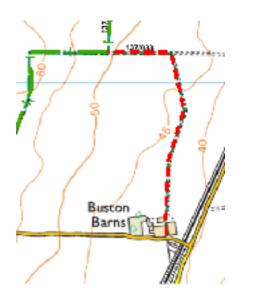
From Mill Cottage on Station Road north west of Warkworth, walk north, then bear north-west across the field to join the road leading to Shortridge Hall.

#### **Current condition**

A stile over the fence through the hedge is in position, but the entrance into the field is overgrown. The path across the field is covered in some winter crop with no evidence of any kind of track. At the other end of the path on the road to Buston Barns, the way sign is in place, but there is no evidence of any track across the field. **Path rating - 1** 



# Right of Way 137/033 - Footpath



#### Route

From Buston Barns walk north across the middle of a planted field to join 137/043.

### Current condition Clear and well defined track. Signposted. Path rating - 3



Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/034 - Footpath



#### Route

From Low Buston Farm, with the farm building on your left, walk across the field to join the Shilbottle Road.

# **Current condition**

Wooden signposts at both ends show a clear path across the field. **Path rating - 3** 

Immediate priorities
None

Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/035 - Footpath



#### Route

From the Bank House to Hartlaw road 700m SE of Hartlaw this short 20m footpath links to the 127/012 to Hazon.

#### **Current condition**

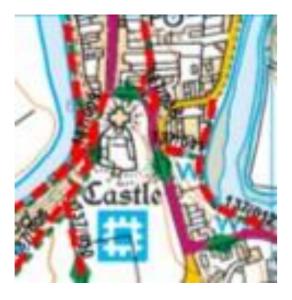
Current condition is good and well signposted. **Path rating - 3** 



Immediate priorities				
None				

Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/036 - Footpath



#### Route

From the south end of The Ember footpath walk south in front of the Sun Hotel to the top of the steps.

# **Current condition**

Metalled road
Path rating - 3



### Immediate priorities

None

Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates, and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/037 - Footpath



### Route

On Morwick Road at the west end of Warkworth, walk along a path in a south westerly and then north westerly direction through Heatherleazes to join Watershaugh Road.

### **Current condition**

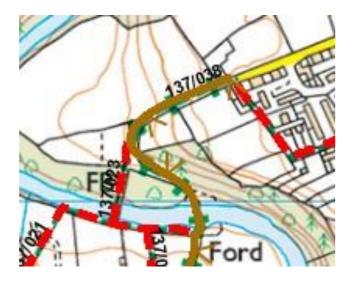
The footpath is signposted from Morwick Road. A narrow, wet, and muddy path. Waymark signs on the gate. Path rating - 2

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Path surface	×	Signs and waymarks	×
Bridges, gates and stiles		Obstructions	

### Right of Way 137/038 - Byway



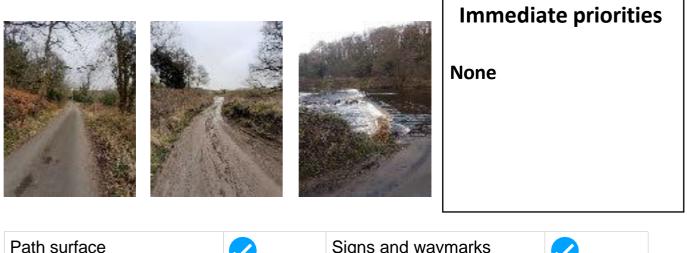
### Route

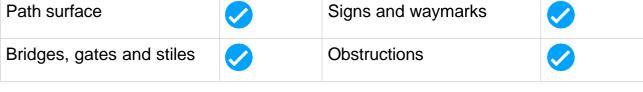
Walk down from the bottom of Watershaugh Road in a westerly direction then south to the ford over the river Coquet. After the ford it becomes bridleway 137/019.

### **Current condition**

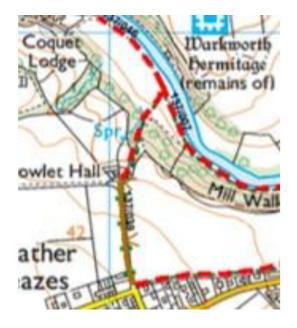
A clear path and well signposted. If the ford is impassable, you may cross the river over the Black Bridge.

#### Path rating - 3





### Right of Way 137/039 - Byway



### Route

From the junction with Watershough Road, walk down the road towards the Waterworks. This joins 137/007 at Howlet Hall. Bear right and walk downhill towards the river.

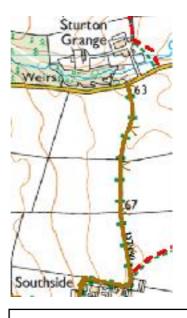
#### **Current condition**

Metalled track as far as Howlet Hall. Path rating - 3



Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates, and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/040 - Byway



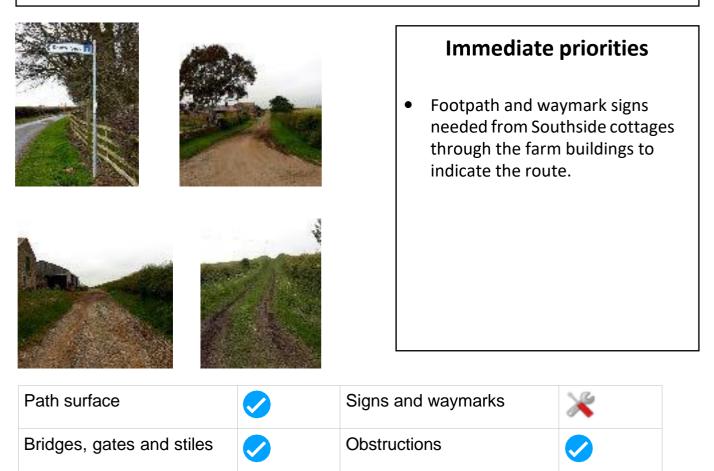
#### Route

From Sturton Grange walk south on a metalled road to Southside. Bear sharp right at the cottages keeping all the farm buildings on your left. (There are no footpath/waymark signs at all so the route is not clear). Walk west, then south in a zig zag along a farm track until you meet the Hartlaw to Warkworth Moor Road.

# **Current condition**

Signposted from Sturton Grange. Metalled road to Southside then at the farm it becomes a farm track. A little muddy in places but generally easy to walk. No signposts to guide you through the farm buildings.

### Path rating - 3





# Route

From the Warkworth to Acklington road near the entrance to Morwick Hall, take the road heading westwards, marked Morwick Mill. Then head north to the river.

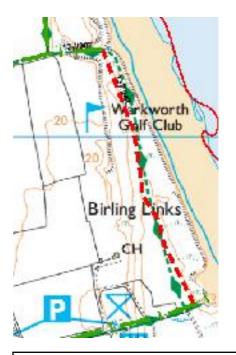
### **Current condition**

Tarmac road in decent condition, leading downhill for about half a mile towards the river. As the road comes to a sign that says Private, there is a way sign on the right pointing north, Warkworth 1 ¼ miles, (via ford). This is bridleway 137/020 which goes to the river and across the ford.

Path rating - 3



# Right of Way 137/042 - Footpath



#### Route

Walk from Old Waters, just before Warkworth Beach (137/003), north along the back of the dunes to Birling Carrs, locally known as Killiecrankie. This is part of St Oswald's Way.

### **Current condition**

A grass path running 400metres alongside the golf course, then through the dunes to meet the 137/002 at Birling Carrs. Signposted at both ends of the path. **Path rating - 3** 



Path surface	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles	Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/043 - Bridleway



#### Route

From the road between Buston Barns and Low Buston in a northerly and then easterly direction to join the 103/017 and the 103/018 at the parish boundary towards High Buston.

### **Current condition**

A clear track across the field. Signposted. **Path rating - 3** 

		Immediat	Immediate priorities	
	12 m	None		
Path surface		Signs and waymarks		
Bridges, gates and stiles		Obstructions		

# Right of Way 137/044 - Bridleway



# Route

Start at the Rake Lane way sign, 500 yards south of Morwick Farm on the Acklington Road. Head west. Continue on the defined trackway, past Cavil Head Farm in the distance on your left, for one mile until reaching the underpass railway bridge. Just past the railway bridge, the path becomes 101/011 and continues to meet the Acklington to Guyzance Road . Forms part of St

# **Current condition**

Signpost at beginning of footpath - Rake Lane. With all the heavy rain during February, the path has several waterlogged sections that are difficult to negotiate. It is rutted with two vehicle tracks that define the route. Overhanging brambles and tree branches affect certain parts of the path but not in a restrictive way. In summer, the path is likely to be dry.

Path rating - 2



# Immediate priorities

- May need overhanging brambles/branches cutting back in summer.
- Very wet and muddy in winter.

Path surface	×	Signs and waymarks	
Bridges, gates and stiles		Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/045 - Bridleway



### Route

From Shortridge Avenue walk north along the side of the railway line and then turn east to join the A1068 coast road following the boundary. The path joins the 137/001 bridleway.

### **Current condition**

The signpost is next to the railway line near Shortridge Hall, and the bridleway follows a clear track along the side of the field. The path then turns due east across the field towards the A1068 road. The small, wooded copse should be on your left.

#### Path rating - 3



### **Immediate priorities**

 Waymark sign to indicate where to cross the field would be helpful.

Path surface	$\checkmark$	Signs and waymarks	$\gg$
Bridges, gates, and stiles		Obstructions	

# Right of Way 137/046 - Footpath



#### Route

From the Hermitage boat landing walk in a north-westerly direction towards Coquet Lodge, along the river. This comes to a dead end.

### **Current condition**

Although the path was reinstated in 2019, the middle section is uneven, with a significant dip. Gorse grows prolifically on both sides of the path, overhanging in places. **Rating - 2** 



### **Immediate priorities**

- Path surface is uneven.
- Gorse needs cutting back.

