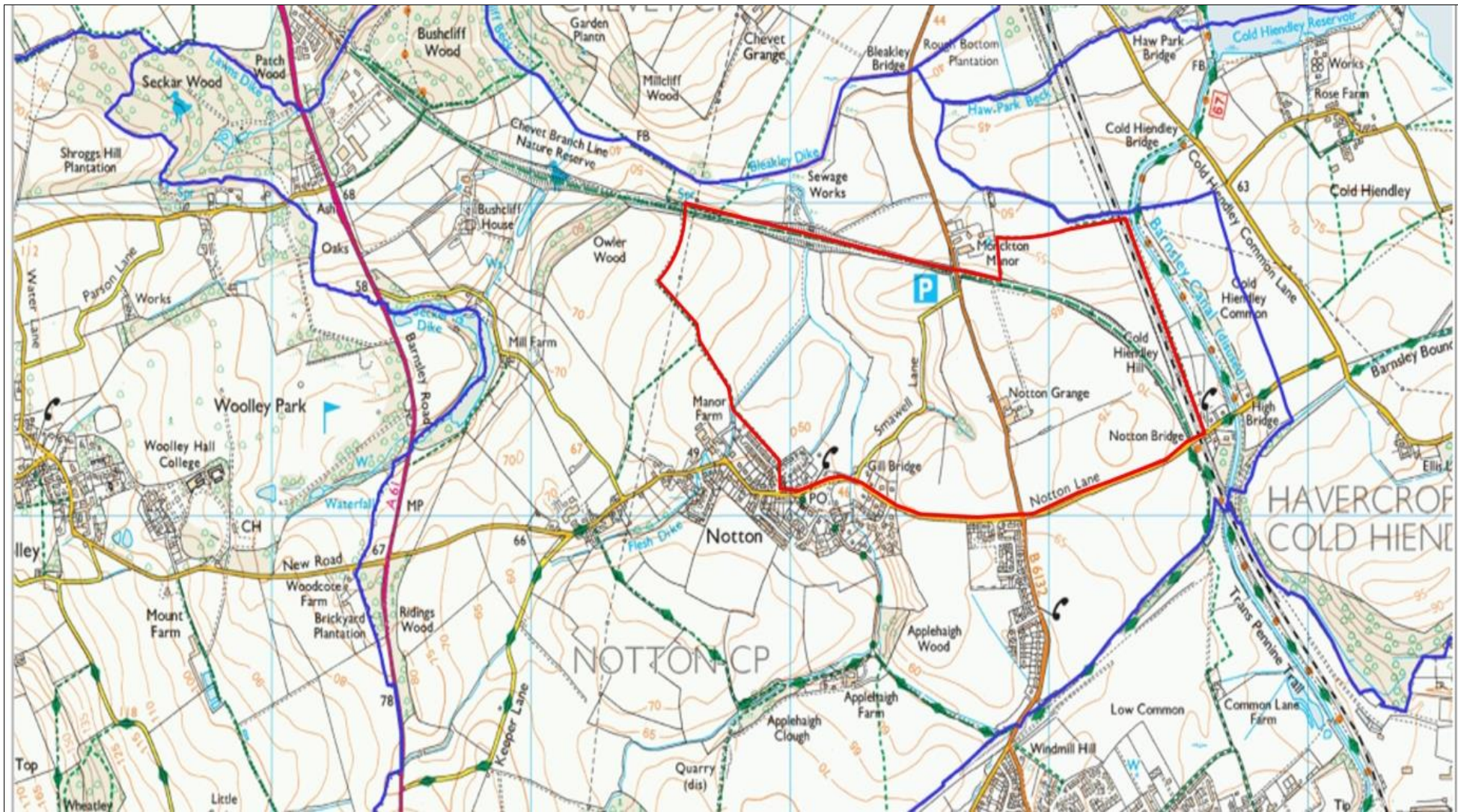


Walk 3 (3.4 miles)



Circular Walk _____ Parish Boundary _____

Directions: From Post Office, head towards George Lane and turn left. Cross road and turn right down Ingswell Drive. After passing 3 houses bear right into Ingswell Avenue. Turn L at FP sign onto footpath at the back of the houses, over bridge and half right up hill, sharp turn R at top, then along and over old railway. Turn R down slope to join railway path, continue E for about 1km under next railway bridge. Just after go up slope, then after about 100 metres, at footpath sign, turn L across field behind buildings and plant yard then R over stile. Follow footpath heading E towards electricity pylon, directly in front of you, in corner of field. Keep ditch on your right and bear slightly right to stile.

Go over stile to cross railway at crossing point with care, over stile, then turn R along hedge line parallel to railway. Keep the fence close on your right through, pass through several gates and past stables on left 800 metres, onto Navy Lane. Turn R over railway bridge then on footway along Notton Lane, crossing Chevet Lane and down Grimpit Hill to village.

Historical Notes: The track up the fields is very old, and was known as Handswell Lane.

The disused railway line is now owned by the District Council and is a permissive path for walkers, horses and cycles. The railway was opened in 1905, by the Midland Railway Co, as part of their proposed London - Carlisle route, although the whole route was never completed. The line is the same one that passes over the huge blue brick viaducts over Denby Dale Road at Calder Grove and over the Huddersfield Road at Horbury Bridge. It closed in 1968.

The buildings that you pass when you have left the old railway were part of No 5 pit sunk in 1928 to improve access for men and materials to Monkton Colliery. No 5 closed in the late 1960s, was then used as a joinery works and is now a private house and a yard for earthmoving plant.

The railway line that you cross and walk at the side of is still open as a supply route to the glassworks, but it used to be a busy line, opened in 1866, again by the Midland Railway Co.

N, E, S, W etc - compass directions. R, L - right, left. FP - footpath sign.

Circular Walks around Notton

Walk No. 3 3.4 miles

Navy lane and Grimpit Hill



