



## Witham Valley Access Project

### Cherry Willingham, Cherry Fields, Fiskerton return

6.8km or 4.25 miles

#### Start: The Parade, Cherry Willingham

Red letters denote photo at this point

Exit the car park at the South West corner, passing the circular seating area to the Junction of Rudgard Avenue and Croft Lane. Continue along Croft Lane and take the first left down Church Lane.

Just before the bottom, turn right by the Triangle, signed Fiskerton Road. Walk West on Fiskerton Road until you get to no. 22. There is a finger post on the opposite side marked "Woodland Walk". Cross the road **carefully** and follow this winding path to the corner by a small seasonal pond, where it turns right then left over a small bridge.

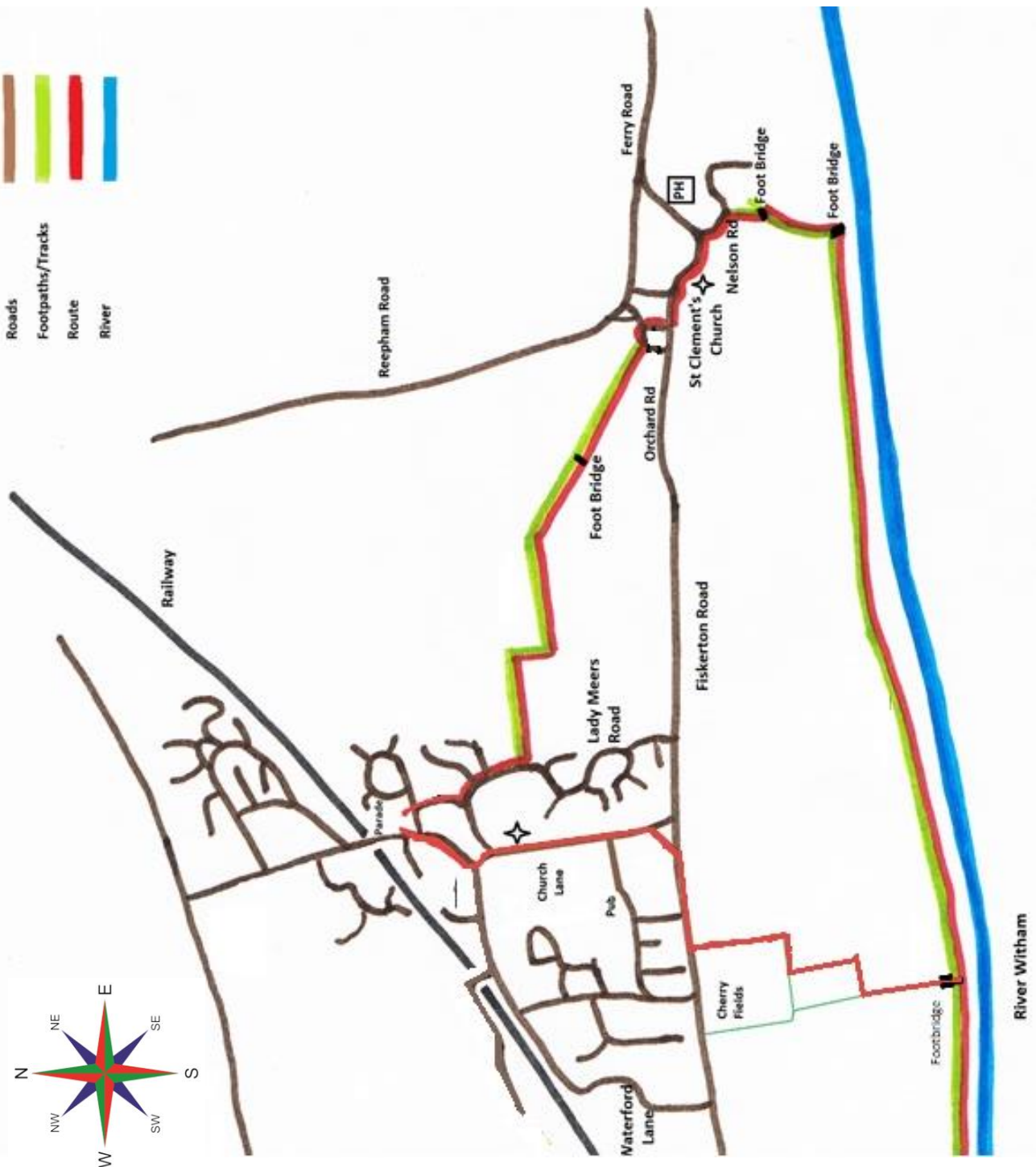
Continue south past an off road cycle circuit and the path bears right to join the track from the car park. Cross the culvert bridge and turn left to follow the path south again to the locally made oak Lych gate and the bridge over the North Delph. Pause to listen for the distinctive calls of warblers in the reed beds.

Climb the banking and turn left as you reach the top. Continue on the wide grass track at the top, with the Cathedral behind you, for approximately 2 km. You will pass through two gates and on your left you will see the new marina taking shape. When level with the Church at Fiskerton there is a bridge down the banking to your left. **A** Climb down the path to this bridge and follow the path towards Fiskerton between field hedging and a barbed wire fence. After a block of hedging there is a footbridge on your left. **B** Cross this and follow it between houses and gardens to emerge onto a road (Nelson Road). Turn left toward towards a road junction. Here you will see the Carpenters pub to your right but turn left towards the Church.

When it is safe to do so, cross to the pavement on the north side. When you see the electricity substation on your left, turn right on Orchard Road, which is a very quiet road. At the end turn left then cross to the paving. Follow the road for 30 metres until you see a path sign on a lamp post, next to a red waste bin. **C** Turn right here to the rear of some houses and then steps to another finger post at the start of a field path. Follow this well-worn path in a diagonal direction to a footbridge **D** and continue in the same direction to the corner of a second field. Go through the gap in the hedge to your left, with another hedge now on your right. In the next corner bear right and continue in the same direction with hedge now on your left. The path turns right in the field corner. Look for a finger post by a gap on your left, **E**. Turn left and follow the path to the field corner, then between bungalows to emerge on Lady Meers Road. Turn right.

As this road levels out and bears left you will see Dale Avenue on your right. Follow this road and you will see the Parade car park opposite when you get to the end of this road.

-  Roads
-  Footpaths/Tracks
-  Route
-  River



**A**



Footbridge to Fiskerton.

**B**



Turn left over this small footbridge.

**C**



Start of path across the fields.

**D**



Footbridge at end of first field.

**E**



Turn left here towards Lady Meers Road