

What to expect

Starting and Finish point:
Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre

Distance: 54.2 km / 33.7 miles

According to legend, Grimsby was founded by a Danish fisherman called Grim. In Old Norse, 'by' means village. The story of Grim and Havelok is written about in a poem thought to have been composed around 1280-1310, but Grimsby's recorded history dates back to 866AD when thousands of Norse invaders passed through the town on their way to inland cities.

Grimsby has been associated in more recent years with fantastic fish – with record catches in the historic docks over many years.

The town of Grimsby itself is served by a central railway station, with easy access to boutique and high street stores, two fresh produce markets and plenty of places to eat and drink for all budgets.

Since the 19th century, and the advent of the railways, Cleethorpes has been a mecca for UK-based seaside holidays. It's your choice in Cleethorpes whether to just sit in the sun, or paddle in the waters off the coast, visit the arcades or do something much more active and go stand-up paddleboarding or kite surfing.

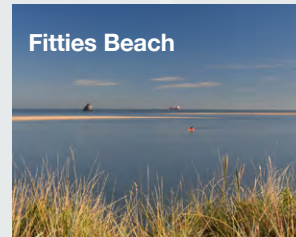
Cleethorpes itself is spread over a long stretch of beautiful coastline, with the town stretched between the railway station and the Boating Lake. With two promenades and a pier to visit at the seafront, it makes for a wonderful bike ride.

While you're here, don't forget to have some of our world-famous Grimsby fish and chips – there's plenty to offer in the town! But if that's not your thing, there's lots of restaurants and cafes to cater for all tastes.

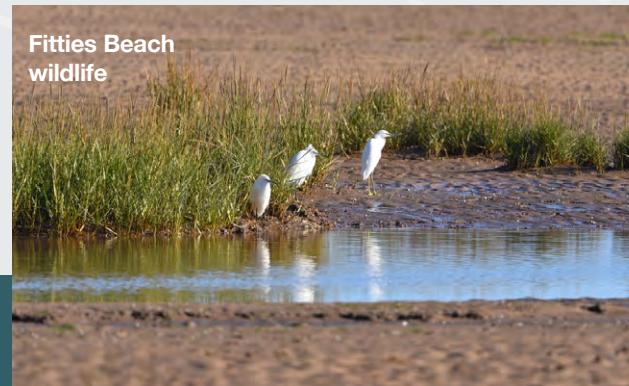
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Getting there

The starting point of this route is Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre, Alexandra Dock, Grimsby (pictured right) with parking, a café and toilets, making this the ideal place to start and finish your ride.



Fitties Beach



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wildlife

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Focal points & attractions

Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre

When the early railways connected Great Grimsby to London's famous fish markets in 1848, the town began an astonishing development into the World's Premier Fishing Port! Fresh fish was now available nationwide and a national dish of Fish and Chips became possible.

The Centre is a multi-award-winning attraction which will transport you back in time to the 1950's heyday of this famous port.

Carefully crafted sets and original preserved trawler interiors capture the atmosphere and essence of a remarkable way of life in one of the most dangerous occupations in living memory.

Town Hall

Grimsby Town Hall was built more than 150 years ago in 1863 and is used as a base for the Mayor of North East Lincolnshire and most

Council meetings. Members of the public are entitled to attend such meetings to see and hear their elected representatives discuss more important issues.

Grimsby Minster

Grimsby Minster is the church at the heart of our borough of North East Lincolnshire and is a church for everyone. It is the place to which the town turns at moments of great joy and of great sadness, and hosts civic services, the annual Service of Remembrance, as well as baptisms, weddings and funerals.

River Freshney

The river is 14 miles long, rising from at least four springs on the edge of the Lincolnshire Wolds, although local folklore and oral tradition has it springing from Welbeck Hill. Originally it entered the tidal Humber Estuary at Pyewipe, north west of Grimsby, but now flows into the Grimsby Docks.



Grimsby Minster

Dock Tower

Grimsby Dock Tower was built in 1851 as part of the New Dock, later renamed Royal Dock following the Queen's visit in 1854, and was built to improve on the earlier Haven Dock.

The Grade I listed, 309ft building, which still dominates the view, was designed by James William Wild and follows the style of the Palazzo Pubblico in Siena, Italy. The iconic landmark stands tall and proud at the entrance to the docks. Its intricately designed exterior conceals a gigantic water tank within its walls.

Greenwich Meridian Line

The Greenwich Meridian Line is located along the coastal path close to the Meridian Showground.

The line has been marked in Cleethorpes since the 1930s when Hadfields of Sheffield presented a plate to be laid in the path to test their new non-corroding steel.

Walkers can enjoy the Greenwich Meridian Trail, a long-distance walk of approximately 273 miles that follows the line of the Prime Meridian starting from the Prime Meridian obelisk at Peacehaven in East Sussex and ending on the coast of Sand le Mere in East Yorkshire.

Narrow Gauge Railway

The Cleethorpes Coast Light Railway is one of Britain's oldest seaside miniature railways, and has been delighting young and old for more than 70 years.

Not only does the two mile return journey offer a relaxing way to enjoy beautiful views

along the picturesque Humber coastline, but the railway line also doubles as a transport link connecting Cleethorpes Promenade with the main station Lakeside (near Cleethorpes Premier Inn).

Cleethorpes Pier

Opened in 1873 on August Bank Holiday Cleethorpes Pier was 370 metres long and supported by cast iron cylindrical columns. The deck constructed of pitch pine had a 800-capacity concert hall at the end.

In 1903 the pier head concert hall was destroyed by fire. A pavilion was built near the shore in 1905 and a café and shops on the site of the original building. During the war a hole was blasted in the decking to prevent the structure being accessed by Germans who may arrive by boat. The remains of the pier were finally taken down years later.

In the late 1960s it was modernised to include a 600-seat concert hall, café and bar and 20 years later it was transformed again and turned into a nightclub named Pier 39.

In 2013 the pier began major renovation works of £4.7 million, the transformation included a large stained glass window which became the centre-piece of the pier's façade. It was named Pier of the Year in 2016 by the National Piers Society.

Corporation Bridge

The Corporation Road Bridge at Alexandra Dock is a Grade II listed and relatively rare Scherzer rolling lift bascule bridge. It was built in 1928 to replace an existing swing span bridge to allow shipping traffic access to the former fishing dock from inland waters.



Grimsby Town Hall



Corporation Bridge

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Directions

1 Starting from the Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre, head south towards the town centre, over the trawler featured bridge. Join traffic left towards the traffic lights, move into the right-hand lane, turning right before the traffic lights, onto Victoria Street South.

2 Heading down and following the one-way system past the bus stops, in front of you is the town hall, turn right heading down Bethlehem Street, until you see Grimsby Minister on the right.

3 Take the cycle route through St James Square to the underpass towards Cartergate.

4 Turn right, and continue straight ahead onto Lord Street round a left 90 degree bend you will take the first right down Anderson Street. At the end, you will reach the River Freshney.

5 Keeping the River Freshney on your right, travel until you reach the main road, Boulevard Avenue. Turn right, crossing the River Freshney into Newhaven Terrace.

6 Following this road as it turns right into Cleveland St. Take the next left on to Gilbey Road, as the road ramps up onto the bridge

over the railway, keeping right on the descent. At the bottom re-join Gilbey Road by turning right. Down towards the mini roundabout take the third exit Moody Lane, travel past Anglian Water building, towards the right-hand bend in the road on the left there is gateway, you will see a yellow gate. The track next to this is a public right of way to the a track onto the north wall.

7 Once on the north wall if you look behind you to the right you will see the dock tower. Travel along the north wall towards Immingham. After 2.5 miles you will see the power station (big blue chimney structures) on the left and a factory on the right. Take the unadopted lane in the middle with gate, (public right of way) take this lane, you are now on South Marsh Road. At the (staggered) junction at the end, turn right then left following South Marsh Road. At the end of this road continue left this will carry on South Marsh Road over the bridge of the A180 and into Stallingborough, over the railway lines until you get to Healing Road. Take a left here and follow the back road towards the B1210. Use the cycle track on the left-hand side all the way into Healing. When

you reach the new housing estate proceed on the road. Once you get to the school after the right-hand bend, there is a cycle track on the left hand side which then crosses the road onto the right, follow this to the mini roundabout where we will turn right down Aylesby Road. Follow this road all the way down to the small village of Aylesby. On the approach you will see the symmetrical house on the right. At the mini roundabout take the first exit onto Butt Lane.

8 Follow this road into Laceby, take the first exit on the roundabout and the third exit on the next roundabout which will lead into Laceby, here you will go past the church and into the marketplace as you swing round the 90 degree bend to the right, turn left here and head down Grimsby Road this will take you out onto the cycle track next to the A46, proceed all the way down past Morrisons, taking the turn afterwards into Laceby Acres, Broadway.

9 Continue down Broadway and past Laceby Acres Primary School. At the roundabout turn left (first exit) into Nelson Way. Take the first right into Tonnant Way, continue along Tonnant Way which

will lead to Freshney Wildlife Reserve. Follow this track through the reserve following the River Freshney, until you come to Great Coates Road (A1136) Turn right onto Great Coates Road, ahead of you, you will see St Michael's Church, just before the church there is a cycle track to the left. Follow this cycle track along by the river, keeping right this will bring you out onto Yarrow Road. Continue along Yarrow Road until you come to Yarborough Road. At Yarborough Road turn right towards the roundabout where the Trawl pub is situated.

10 Take the first exit down Littlecoates Road to the roundabout. Turn left into Cambridge Road and follow this road to the roundabout. Go straight on into Westward Ho, and pass Ormiston Maritime Academy. Immediately after the school, turn right into Heriford Avenue. At the end of this road, turn left on Laceby Road (A46) and then turn immediately right down First Avenue. There is a small climb up this road to the roundabout. Turn left onto Sutcliffe Avenue until you come to the next round about. Take the second exit towards the traffic lights on Scartho Road (A1243) and turn right. Continue along

Scartho Road, you will come across a cycle track after the hospital traffic lights on the left-hand side.

11 On reaching Scartho fork (roundabout) next to the Methodist Church, take the second exit off the roundabout down Waltham Road. Continue down Waltham Road, leaving Scartho village towards Waltham. At the end of this road, there is a roundabout. Turn left onto Station Road (B1219). Using the cycle track, the route takes you past Tollbar Academy. At the roundabout, go straight across and follow this road until you reach the roundabout junction in the centre of New Waltham. Go straight on onto Humberston Avenue. Enjoy this straight route, passing the Bannatyne Health Club & Spa (on the left) and Humberston Academy. At the end of this road, turn right (onto Tetney Road, A1031). Take the third left onto South Sea Lane.

12 South Sea Lane takes us towards the coast. This is a single lane road with farmland either side. At the end of this road, where the caravans of Thorpe Park start, we take a left and follow this path all the way to St Anthony's Bank Road. At this junction, turn

right and head into Thorpe Park. At the roundabout, go straight on (second exit) and then on the left a junction will emerge leading into a car park. Be careful of moving traffic. Aim towards the right and you will see the cycle path emerging in the corner. Take this cycle path and follow it round. As you arrive at the corner, please be aware there may be a sand build up on the path.

13 Follow the coastal path, past the Meridian line alongside the narrow gauge railway on the boating lake all the way to the leisure centre following the track round. Take care there may be another sand build up here. Turn right on to the Promenade, there is a cycle lane all the way down towards Brighton Slipway. After Brighton Slipway, proceed along the road down the North Prom past the pier, to the roundabout at the end near the whales tale groyne. On the other side of the roundabout there is the entrance towards the north wall. Take this and follow it to the cycleway bridge at Suggitts Lane. Use the bridge to cross the railway line. Cycle the length of Suggitts Lane until you reach the main road, Grimsby Road. Head straight across into Lestrange Street. At the

Directions

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roundabout, take the second exit and carry on Lestrange Street which merges into Queen Mary Avenue. By the allotments, follow this road all the way to Five Ways roundabout.

14 At the five ways junction take the second exit down Durban Road. Pass Grant Thorold Park and then turn right. Continue to the mini roundabout taking the second exit onto Eleanor Street. Take your 2nd right onto Convamore Road. Continue along Convamore Road until you come to Wellington Street, here you'll take a left. Continue along Wellington Street which runs into Railway Street. Continue round the 90 degree right bend following Railway Street towards the big fly over.

Just before the fly over take a right and immediately on your left hand side there is a cycle way which will lead up and into the centre of the fly over bridge on the A180. Travel a short distance on top of the bridge before descending back down and emerging on King Edward Street. Follow King Edward Street down to the roundabout at Tesco, take the third exit towards the traffic lights, straight over and over Corporation Bridge and immediately turn left before Sainsbury's, down the cycle way back to the start at Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre. Please be aware this is a busy junction.

