

# Market Deeping CP

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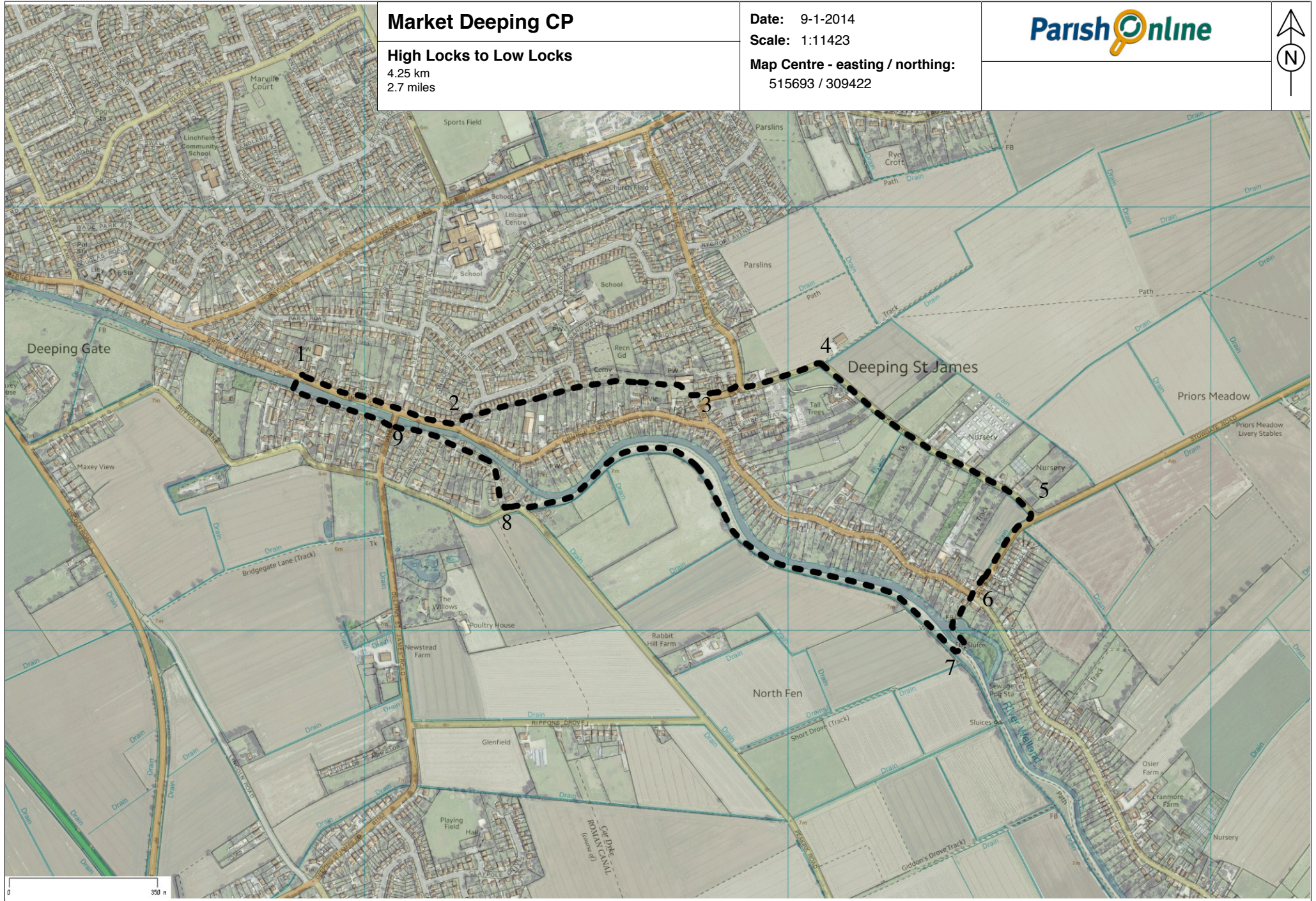
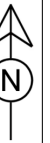
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# Market Deeping Town Council

## Walks in and around The Deepings



Walk 4

### *High Locks to Low Locks*

### *Walk information*



**Walk Location:** Market Deeping is situated 9 miles north of Peterborough on the North bank of the River Welland.

**Starting point:** High Locks, Deeping St James.

**Parking:** Along Bridge Street next to the river.

**Public transport:** For information and times, call the Traveline on 0870 6082608 or visit [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/busrailtravel](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/busrailtravel).

**Walk length:** 4.25 km, 2.7 miles

**Time:** 1.5 hours.

**Type of walk:** This is a level walk, partly paved paths and lanes with some walking on the riverbank. It may be muddy in parts with some stiles so good walking shoes are recommended. Note information boards about the old Stamford canal.

**Ordnance Survey maps for the area:** Explorer 235 and Landranger 142

**Refreshments:** There are pubs, cafés and shops in Market Deeping town centre.

# The Walk

1. (1-2, 372m). Set off down Bridge Street in an easterly direction with the River Welland on your right.
2. (2-3, 621m) Turn left into Hereward way but after only a few metres cross the road and enter the alley that goes down the backs of the houses. Follow the footpath past the graveyards and take the path from the Priory Church door to the main churchyard entrance.

*In 1139, Baldwin Fitz Gilbert established the Benedictine Priory of Saint James as a cell of Thorney Abbey. Baldwin was the Lord of Bourne and Abbott of Ely in Cambridgeshire. The cell was dissolved at the surrender of Thorney Abbey in 1539 to Henry VIII's soldiers. It then became the local church.*

3. (3-4, 285m). Turn left at the church gate and keeping the bungalows to the left, go to the first corner where Broadgate Lane turns sharp left. Do not follow the road but keep straight on at the corner to enter a small lane called Back Lane.
4. (4-5, 629m). Follow the lane bearing right before continuing with the backs of gardens on the right and

fields or smallholdings on the left. Continue to the end of the lane.

5. (5-6, 232m). Turning right onto Stowgate Road walk to the junction with Eastgate, that passes through Deeping St James.
6. (6-7, 181m). Standing on the corner, there is an alley directly across the road. Take this route to the River Welland at Low Locks.
7. (7-8, 1251m). Having crossed the two bridges, one over the river and one over the old canal turn right to walk on the bank of the river until coming to a kissing gate and Peakirk Road.

*This is a beautiful stretch of the walk. Note not only the wildlife but also the lovely gardens on the opposite bank.*

8. (8-9, 411m) Turn right and after a few yards right again onto a small road called Riverside leading back to the side of the river. Follow this past houses on your left with the river on your right. Ignore the footbridge over the river to continue to the main Deeping St James single lane road bridge over the river.

9. (9-1, 312m). Do not go over the bridge but cross the road to follow a pretty, well maintained footpath opposite, with the river on your right. To arrive back to the start, turn right and cross the river using the footbridge at High Locks.

