



**BAILDON**  
Walkers *are* Welcome



## **LOCKDOWN WALK ROUTE NUMBER 4: Revised January 2021**

### **MEANDERING AROUND THE MOOR**

A circular, very local walk of just over 3 miles, or 6 kms with 466 feet or 142 metres of ascent. There are no stiles, no ginnels, and plenty of wide-open space. You should be able to easily stand aside and avoid close contact with other walkers throughout this walk. Remember to take care and stay at least two metres apart. Baildon Moor is covered by a multiplicity of paths and tracks – so although we have described a route below, we would encourage you to wander on to any paths that take your fancy. The described route takes a fairly gentle ascent and then circumnavigates the Moor, just below the top – with an option to go right up to the trig point on the top if you wish. Either way you will enjoy lovely views throughout the walk.

#### **ROUTE DESCRIPTION.**

Cross Hall Cliffe towards the Angel pub (following the finger post to THE MOOR and Toilets). Cross Northgate on the pedestrian crossing and continue up the Lefthand side of the road, passing the public toilets. Cross the junction with Pennithorne Avenue, and just before the cattle grid, take the diagonal track to the Left through a rough car park, passing round the front of the Golf Club building (the Old Waterworks) and through the gate (*photo 1*) onto the moorland at the edge of the Golf Course. Take the track bearing Right and continue over a cross-track. Where the track you are on bears Right, leave it to go ahead on grass at the edge of the fairway and adjacent to rough ground and a gully, towards a tall white post, (*with the wall-corner of the former reservoirs beyond*). Squiggle to the Left to cross on a path over a gully, and then immediately Right to walk again between a fairway to your Right and rough ground to your Left, following a series of short white posts (*photo 2*).



1. Gate on to the Moor by Baildon Golf Club

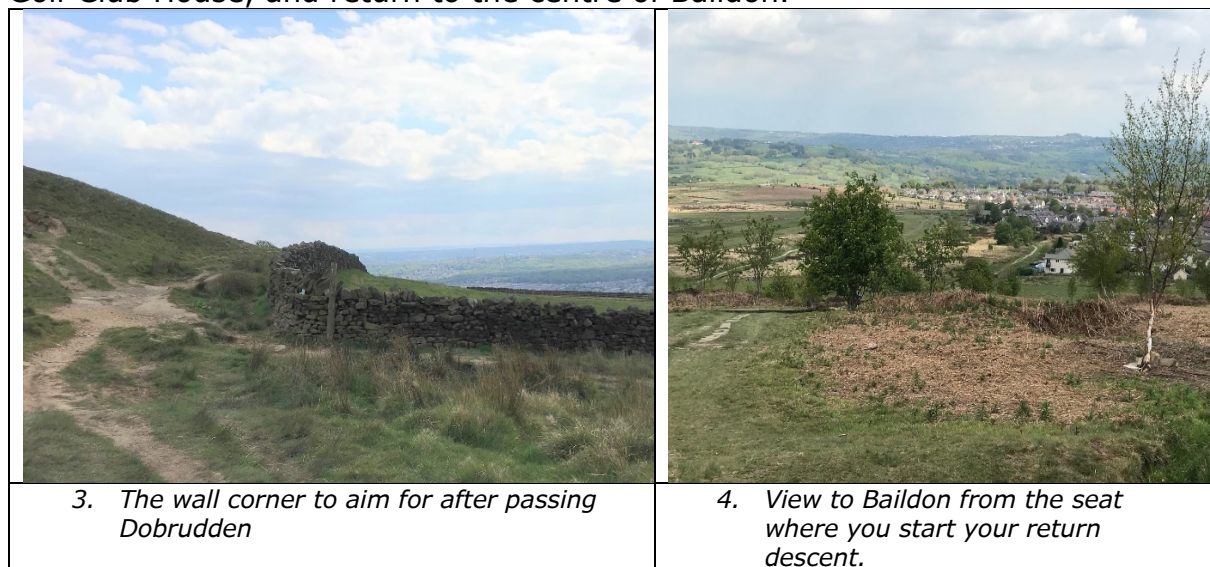


2. Follow series of short white posts alongside the fairway

At the end of this fairway, bear slightly Right to the middle of the end of the fairway to pick up a rising grassy path which veers a diagonally to the Right into the rough pasture beyond. This path is initially narrow but soon widens out as it rises gently up the slope of the moor-side. Continue rising (choice of paths near the top) until you emerge on to a wide, rough vehicle track (which goes to Dobrudden Caravan Park – so beware of possible occasional cars). Turn Left on to this track and follow it as it veers Right just below the trig point, seat and diorama on the top of the Moor (*clearly visible up to your Left*). If you want to visit the summit, just choose any path to ascend and then return by another to the vehicle track.

Continue on the vehicle track until you are close to the entrance to Dobrudden Caravan Park. Turn sharp Left on a grassy track signed as Millenium Way Circular Walk 16. Head on this track towards the corner of a long wall (*photo 3*) and continue on the track as it bears Right to follow round the far side of the wall. Soon ignore a path going down to a gate on the Right (which would take you down towards Hope Lane) and continue on the track which contours around the hill. Where the wall on your Right starts to drop away down to the Right, do not take a path following the wall, but continue ahead, more or less at the same, level line around the hill until you come to a seat at a junction with a clear descending track at 90 degrees, towards Baildon. (*Excellent views down to Baildon and beyond / photo 4*).

After a rest on the seat, descend down the stony track towards Baildon. Continue as the track levels out with housing to your Right and the Golf Course to your Left. At the end of the track, pass off the Moor through the gate by the Golf Club House, and return to the centre of Baildon.



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