Begin the walk in the car park directly opposite St. Mary's Church.



Walk along the main street past the Post Office until you reach the old road bridge. Access to the Memorial Gardens is through the gate to the left of the road sign.



Cross the river Aln via the old road bridge. Notice that the bridge arches differ in design from each other.



The old mill wall comes into view.



Cross the main road to reach the kissing gate, finger post and map.



Take time to look at this map which shows clearly marked permissive footpaths including the old Alnmouth to Alnwick railway line.



Climb the hill and perhaps rest at the top, sitting on the bench to look back at Lesbury Village, before going down the other side of the hill.



Cross the small stream using the planks of wood and go straight ahead up the hill. Do not take the path to the right as this has collapsed into the river near the dam.



At the top of the hill you will get your first view of the "18 arches" railway viaduct. To your left, you can see the Alnmouth Station signal box.

Continue along the clear path beside the river towards the viaduct which carries the main East Coast railway line.





Along the riverbank, there are several larch benches bought and installed by Lesbury Parish Council.

We hope that you will enjoy sitting on them.



After passing under the viaduct and following the large bend in the river, Bilton Mill Farm will come into view. This is a working farm so please take extra care as you follow the Right of Way near to it.



Leave the farm by the farm access road with the river on your right. Old Hawkhill can be seen on the other side of the river.



Follow the road and eventually take a sharp left hand turn. The old ford crossing the river can be seen behind you. The river is now very deep at this place.



Walk up the steep incline until you reach the road bridge over the old Alnmouth to Alnwick railway line.



Pause and look back. The view is splendid with Old Hawkhill in the foreground.



Continue following the road to get good views of Lesbury and the sea on a clear day. Again you will pass near a working farm (Bilton Farm) so take extra care.



After the farm, turn left down the lane behind Bilton Cottages then join the footpath beside the main road and walk down to the road bridge over the main East Coast line.



Turn left to walk down Curly Lane.



At the bottom of the hill, turn left again, along the "High Path", and at the bottom of the hill, cross the road to the old road bridge

This will enable you to complete the circular walk.

