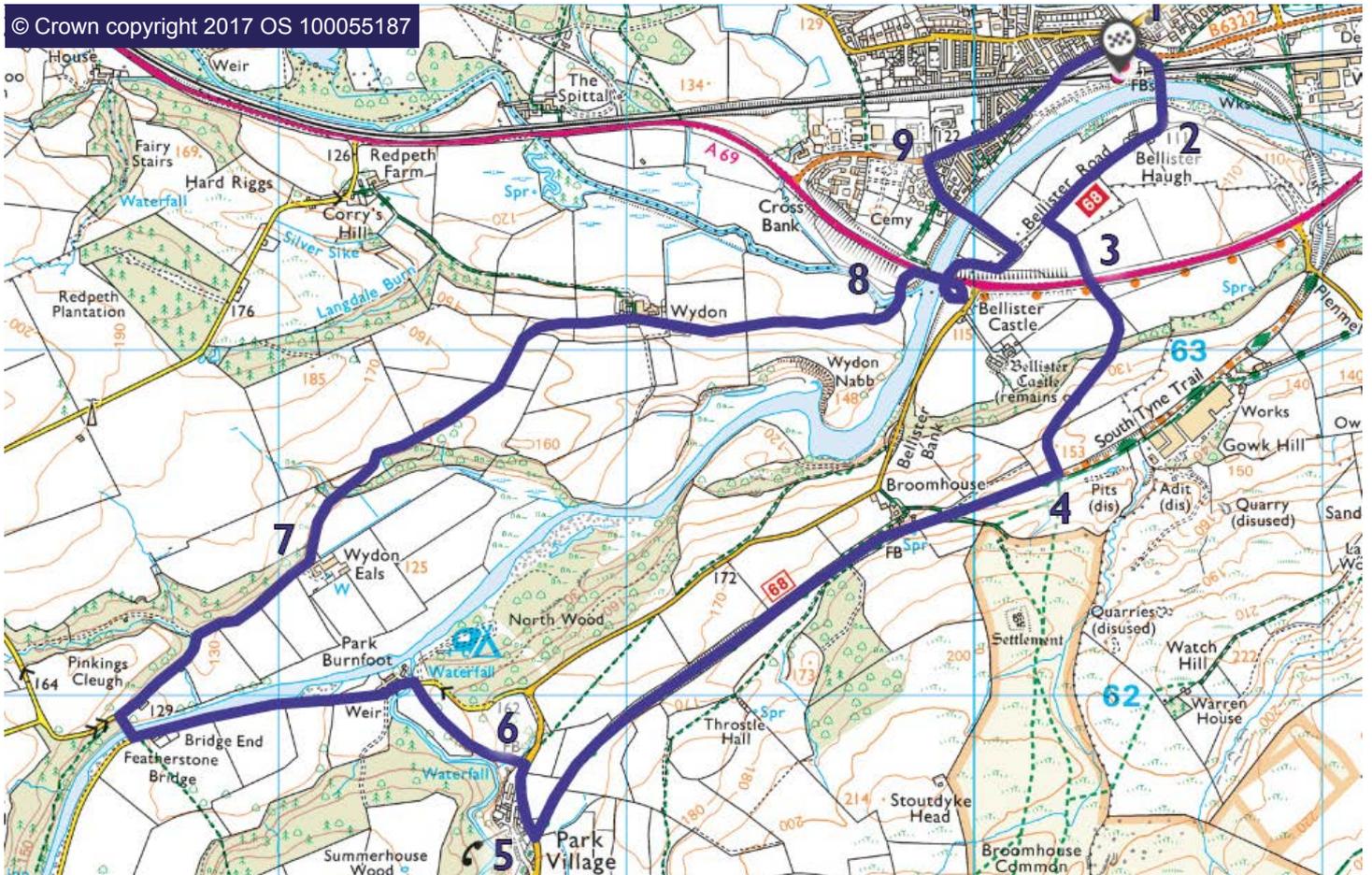




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## Haltwhistle walk

- 1) From Haltwhistle station, walk down Station Court and turn right on the B6322 West Road. After the zebra crossing, turn right and walk underneath the railway. Head over the lovely bridge across the River South Tyne and turn right to join Plenmeller Road – which is Sustrans route 68.
- 2) Take care along this road as although it isn't very busy, the footpath doesn't last for long and you'll be walking on the road. Stay on the right side of the road, so any traffic is coming towards you and can see you better. It's not long before a wooden footpath sign on the left points into a field. Cross the road, climb the stile and follow the hedgerow towards the A69.

### Route details

- Distance** – 6 miles / 9.5 km
- Minimum time** – 2 ½ hours
- Grade** – **Medium** – easy walking but some navigation required
- Map** – OS Landranger 87 / Explorer OL43
- Dog Friendliness** – Can be off lead along the South Tyne Trail - but watch for cyclists
- Nearest station** – Haltwhistle

- 3) Crossing the A69 can be tricky, so be careful. Climb the stile at the far side of the road and head towards the left of the trees in the middle of the field. Walk towards the big row of trees straight ahead. Once through the trees, look for a gap in the boundary and walk down to the path below, turning right onto the path.

**4)** This is the South Tyne Trail – a 23 mile route open to walkers and cyclists. It follows the route of the River South Tyne along the old railway which closed in 1976. Follow this easy path until it is crossed by a road.

**5)** Turn right here and walk past the small hamlet called Park Village. Again, the road doesn't have a pavement here, so take care. Soon, on the left just before the crash barrier is an opening for a footpath. Cross over the road and onto this path through the trees.

**6)** The footpath crosses a stream and heads over a field before reaching a road. Here, turn left and walk past Park Burnfoot Farm on the right, following the road until you reach the impressive Featherstone Bridge. Turn right, and cross the bridge – with the River South Tyne underneath, and turn right following the footpath sign when the road goes to the left.

**7)** At Tindale Farm, the path turns left and heads through the trees. Walk in a straight line towards the gap to the right of the boundary with the next field. Once here, look left for the corner of the hedge across the field, and head for that. Now, you'll see a well-made track, which you walk on, past Wydon Farm all the way to the A69 bypass.

**8)** Here, the quiet road crosses the River South Tyne on a bridge next to the big A69 one. Walk across the bridge and follow the path as it snakes to the right to go underneath both bridges. This is Plenmeller Road again, and at the next junction, turn left and cross over the River South Tyne for the last time.

**9)** At the junction, turn right down on the B6322 West Road to walk into Haltwhistle. The road eventually crosses over the railway, and at the junction with West Road and Station Court, turn right to return to the station.

