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1. Park up in Millington Wood Car Park, which also has picnic tables and bins for maybe a picnic at the end, and head back to the road, turning left, and almost immediately left again off the road, up a steepish bridleway to a gate at the top. **DO NOT** go through the gate but turn right before it. You might have to fight your way through some long grass for this section or follow someone else's efforts as you walk along the top edge of Millington Dale until you get to Allison Nab.



- 2. Keep to the fence line on your left as much as you can, (it'll go up and down a bit) and follow it around until you meet a fence running from the top where you are down into the dale bottom. This is the start of Scoar Dale. When we walked this section there were lots of game birds here that Bill disturbed and 'crackers' going off to scare crows in the fields (which you could mistake for gun-fire!). Walk down to the valley bottom.
- 3. At the bottom of the Dale don't be tempted to turn right and walk all the way along this back to the road where you are heading, as there is a locked gate the other end. Instead go up the other side of the Dale, find a pathway which runs right from here and walk back along the top as much as you can. At the end of this stretch, when the road comes into sight, you can head down via a pathway and back onto the road.
- 4. Turn left at the road (which is very quiet but I would suggest keeping dogs on leads). At the first corner you will see a Yorkshire Wolds Way signpost on your right. Follow the path off the road and up to the first gate. (past a strange round agricultural thing see photo)
- 5. Turn right **BEFORE** the gate into Nettle Dale, and follow the wide and fairly steep stony path up to the right.





Just before the top of the path (before you come to a gate with no public right of way) you will see a small path heading up to a gate on your left. Take the path and go through the gate. Turn right here following the Yorkshire Wolds Way / Chalkland Way/ Minster Way all the way along this stretch. If you fancy a quick rest there is a wooden bench half way along from where you can enjoy the views over the Vale of York.

Along this part of the walk are some more of the ancient earthworks seen

around Horse Dale on the various
Secret Poetry Bench walks described
here.

6. You will emerge eventually in Sylvan Dale and the path winds downwards towards the valley bottom. Follow the path down to the bottom and turn right heading back toward the road, crossing a footbridge over a small stream just before you get there. Turn left at the road and head back to the car park.

