

# Reeth to Healaugh

**Distance:** 4.5km (3 miles)

**Time:** a minimum of 1½ hours

**Accessibility:** there are several stiles along this walk. The riverside path can get muddy and slippery in wet weather.

**Parking:** Reeth Village Centre, on the cobbles (SD 03825 99254)

**Other transport:**

- bus 30 from Richmond

**Toilets:** Reeth

**Refreshments:** shops, pubs and cafés in Reeth

**Closest National Park Centre:** Reeth National Park Centre in Hudson House DL11 6SZ (call 01748 884059)

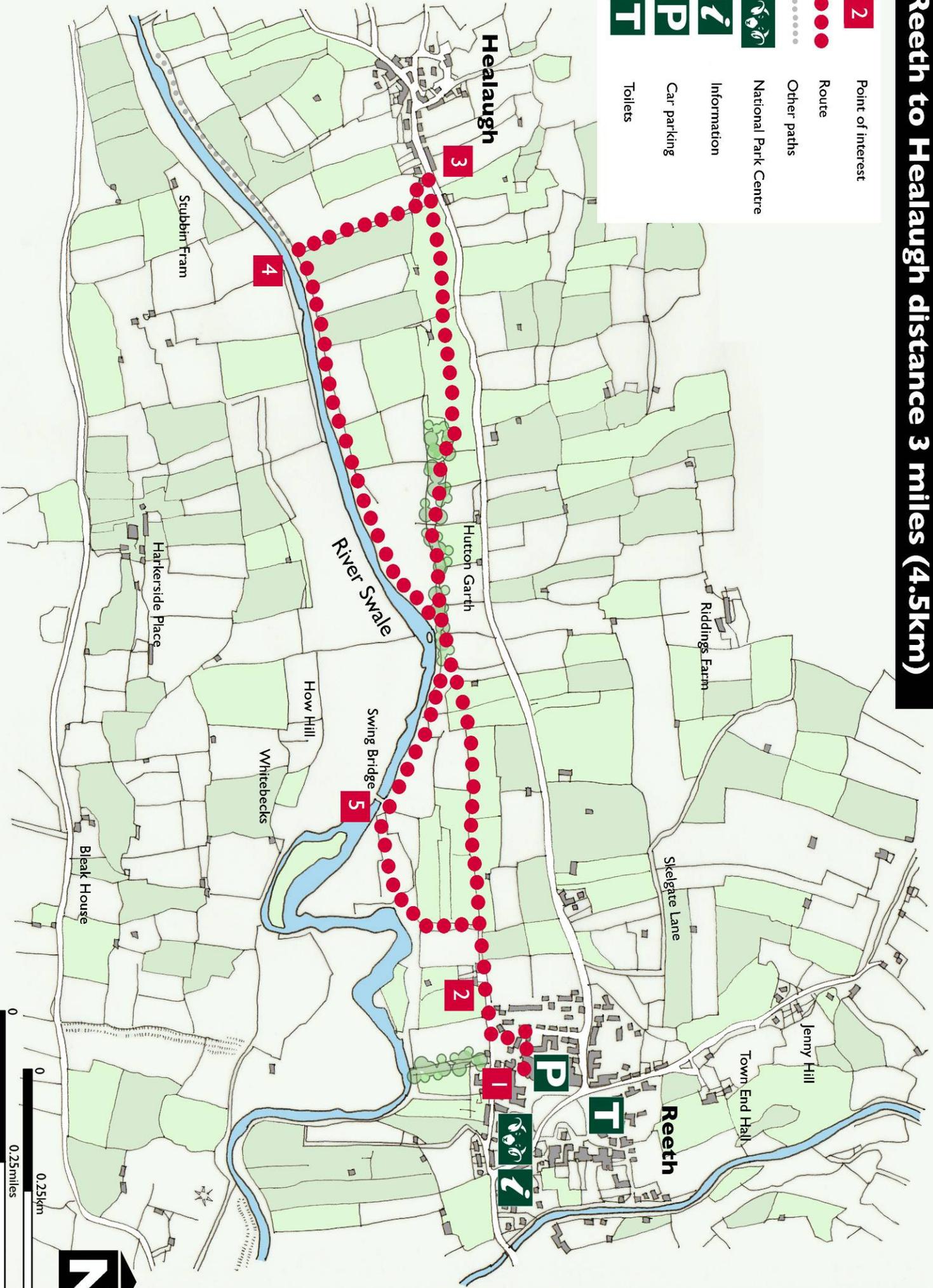
## Route description

1. Starting from the village green, leave the top of the village via the narrow ginnel (passageway) next to Hudson House Information Centre, signposted to 'the river'. After a short distance turn left and then right along narrow tarmac roads past the doctors' surgery.
2. Continue forward through to a track which has a raised footpath known as the Quaker Flags. These lead to the old Quaker School at the end of the lane; the building was originally a Quaker Foundation, built in 1780. Carry on across the valley bottom meadows, through a series of stiles and gates to the village of Healaugh, a Saxon name meaning a high level forest clearing.
3. When you reach the village green, take a quick look at the well-equipped telephone box in the centre and then retrace your steps to take the footpath along the wallside that leads down to the River Swale.
4. On reaching the river turn left and head downstream, over a series of stiles to follow the pleasant riverbank to the suspension bridge, known locally as the Swing Bridge.
5. Do not cross the bridge but bear left to take the path up to a barn and walled lane. Turn right at the top of the lane to retrace your steps along the narrow tarmac road and back into the village centre.



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