



Stage 6 - DURHAM CATHEDRAL to CONSETT

Distance - 23.5km / 14.3 miles

Explorer maps - Durham & Sunderland 308, Consett & Derwent Reservoir 307

Time - 6 - 6.5 hours average time based on Naismith's rule

Total ascent - 253m

Total descent - 78m

Description - This is an easy stage that heads over Framwellgate Bridge and briefly through the residential streets of Durham to the Lanchester Valley Railway Path / Cycle route 14. Pass through Langdon Beck and Lanchester to Consett and the end of the stage

1 - With the Cathedral main door behind you turn left down the narrow alley, direction Archeology and then right direction Framwellgate Bridge. At the road junction turn left and cross the bridge to continue ahead along North Street with the railway viaduct ahead.

2 - At the roundabout continue straight across under the viaduct and then take the first left to the junction. Continue straight across along Flass Street which becomes Redhill Lane. At the top bear left and then left, St Monica's Grove to the T-junction.

3 - Turn left on the A167 to cross the road at the pedestrian crossing then turn right. Take the next left, Tollhouse Lane and then left at Baxter Wood Farm campsite to Baxter Wood farm. Pass round the farm to the old railway line.

4 - Turn right, direction Consett, Lanchester Valley Railway Path / Cycle route 14. Pass Langdon Beck and continue to Lanchester.

5 - At Lanchester reach a road, there is an option to visit the local shops by turning right and at the time of the writing the route there was an Austrian / German coffee shop.

6 - If not visiting the local shops continue across the road and along Lanchester Valley Railway Path / Cycle route 14 to the A692. Cross over the road to continue on Cycle route 14 and the Derwent Walk.

7 - Pass by what used to be the Consett steel works, now a modern housing estate to the A691 in Blackhills and the end of the stage



