

## Walk 1

### Osballdwick Village.

**Distance:** 2 1/2 miles

**Time:** 1 hour.

**Stiles:** 10

**Gates:** 1

**Parking:** Osballdwick Village.

**Public Transport:** Bus No.6/6A

Osballdwick lies to the east of York and although part of the urban expanse of the city, it retains much of its village character. Like many of the villages in the Vale of York, Osballdwick is thought to have been first settled by Anglo – Saxons in the 6th and 7th Centuries. Osballdwick is listed in the Domesday Book of 1086 as 'Osbaldeuic' derived from Osbald, an earl of the royal clan of Northumbria who had authority in this, the southern most part of the 8th Century kingdom. Today the historical centre of the village consists of rows of houses facing each other across the village green with Osballdwick Beck running between them. Many of the houses retain the traditional Tofts and Crofts in the form of long narrow gardens behind them.

Bad Bargain Lane was formerly known as Osballdwick Back Lane. It was named after a small holding at the corner of Piker Thorn Lane in the nearby parish of Holtby. This was regarded as a 'bad bargain' by a disgruntled owner as the enclosure allotment contained two thirds of an acre of swampy pond.

## Useful contacts

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Streszczenie tych informacji może być zapewnione w Twoim języku ojczystym. (Polish)

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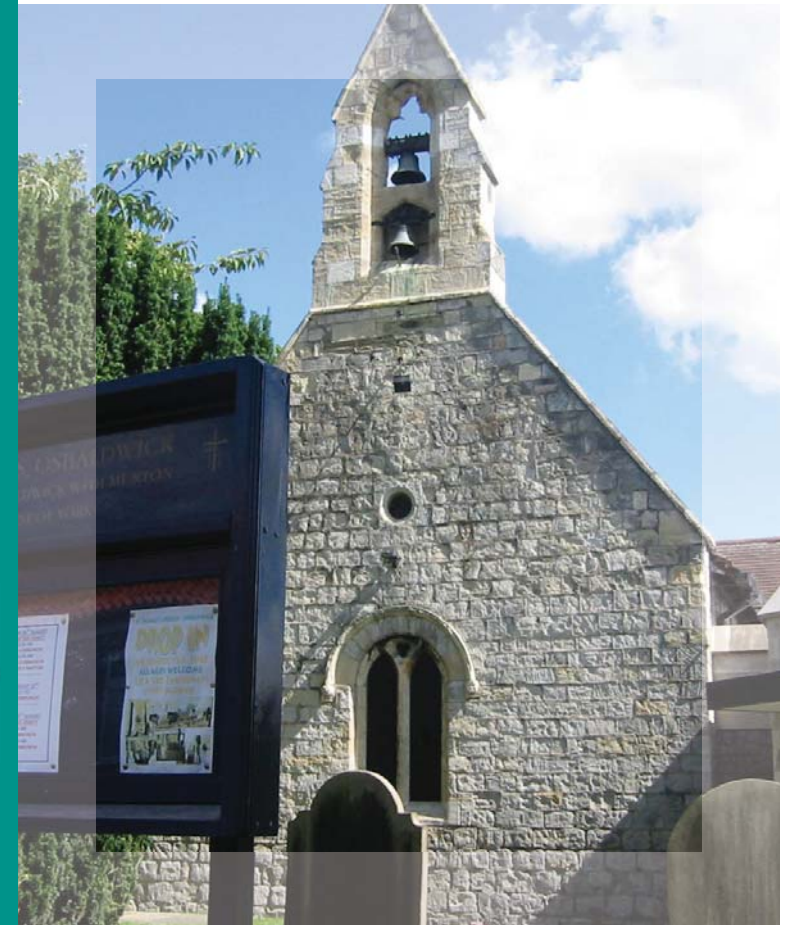
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**1** Follow the footway of Osbaldwick Village Main Street with Osbaldwick beck on your right. As you approach St. Thomas's Church, just before a stone bridge over the beck on the right, turn left down Galligap Lane, a wooden finger post points the way and the sign for Galligap Lane is on your right. After passing to the rear of the houses, head towards the wooden field gate and cross the stile next to it.

**2** Turn right, passing between out-buildings, over a second stile and into the next field. Keeping the ditch on your right, cross this field to another stile (aim for the pylon) Cross the next field diagonally to the left to another stile by a metal gate. Keep on this line and look for the stile in a hedge gap that gives access to a narrow section to the rear of the industrial units. Following this enclosed path to the left, turn right and emerge by a metal footpath sign.

(From here, you can turn right and walk along Outgang Lane, which will bring you out on Murton Way and then back into Osbaldwick - Total Distance 1¼ miles Time: 30mins.)

**3** Turn left across the line of an old railway to cross another stile by a metal finger post. The path now follows the field edge on your right through open fields.

**4** In the top corner of the second field, look for a stile and footbridge in a gap in the hedges. After crossing the footbridge, turn immediately left and cross a second bridge and a stile to enter a field. Follow the left hand edge of this field. Cross a stile on your left into a short enclosed section to another stile. Follow the fencing of the next field on your left to where it turns right. Continue along the edge of the field to another 2 stiles either side of an enclosed section of path with a paddock on the right. Follow the next field round and pass between trees on the left and a telegraph pole. Turn right between the trees and look for a waymarked stile in the top corner of the field.

**5** Turn left as directed by the waymarks on the stile out onto the drive of Cottage Farm Stables. Follow the driveway out onto Bad Bargain Lane turning left at the end. Continue along the surfaced road past a farm on your right and then after about 400 metres, turn left down the road called Meadlands. Continue to the bottom of Meadlands and turn left between No.s 40 and 42. At the end, look for a gap in the hedge.

**6** Follow the wooden finger post into an enclosed path and pass through a metal kissing gate. Here the path turns right. Follow the path, which soon becomes a road back to the Osbaldwick Village Street turning left at the end to return you to the start of the walk.

