



North West Coastal Access Monthly Update: July 2016



This update provides local and regional representatives and other interested stakeholders with a brief summary on progress for each of the coastal stretches we are working on in the North West. If you have colleagues who should be included on the distribution list or you do not wish to receive this update please let me know.

Latest News	North West Coastal Access map
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gretna to Allonby report publication due 25th July 2016. • Walney Island proposals nearing completion with publication due late summer 2016. <p> follow NE Cumbria on twitter</p> <p>Email us at northwest.coastalaccess@naturalengland.org.uk</p>	 <p>Stretch Names</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ③ Gretna to Allonby ① Allonby to Whitehaven ② Whitehaven to Silcroft ⑤ Silcroft to Silverdale ④ Walney Island ⑥ Silverdale to Cleveleys ⑦ Cleveleys to Pier Head, Liverpool ⑧ Birkenhead to Welsh Border <p>Stretch Status</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — New coast path and associated access rights now open — Approved but not yet open — Work in progress — Est. start 2016-2017 <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> County & Unitary Boundaries <p>Map Details: The map shows the coastline from Gretna in the north to Chester in the south. Stretches are color-coded: green (1), blue (2), orange (3, 4, 5, 6), and red (7, 8). Major towns like Whitehaven, Silcroft, Liverpool, and Manchester are marked. A scale bar indicates distances up to 30 km.</p>

Stretch 1: Allonby to Whitehaven (36 km) - OPEN

- See www.nationaltrail.co.uk/england-coast-path/about for updates

Stretch 2: Whitehaven to Silecroft (55 km) – STAGE 5: ‘OPEN’	
Current Activity	Next Milestone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cumbria County Council are now taking on the establishment works, which will take some time to complete. Ongoing discussions with Nugen regarding impact of proposed new development at Moorside on approved line of the trail. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Likely completion date is now Q1 2017 / 2018.

Stretch 3: Gretna to Allonby (approx. 100km) – STAGE 2: ‘DEVELOP’	
Current Activity	Next Milestone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposals now agreed and report with printers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 25th July 2016: Stage 3 ‘Propose’ begins with Report published and consultation window opening Stage 4 ‘Determine’ begins to collate any objections / representations.

Stretch 4: Walney Island (approx. 35km) – STAGE2: ‘DEVELOP’	
Current Activity	Next Milestone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drafting of report and other communication materials now underway. All data being confirmed and maps being prepared. Access and Sensitive Features Appraisal nearing completion. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Late summer 2016: Stage 3 ‘Propose’ - publish report.

Stretch 5: Silecroft to Silverdale (approx. 101km) – STAGE 1: ‘PREPARE’	
Current Activity	Next Milestone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial information gathering and meetings with key stakeholders and interested parties well underway on pivotal locations for route. First ASFA meeting held to familiarise team with local nature conservation sensitivities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer 2016 Stage 2 ‘Develop’ – route alignment and meeting with landowners

Stretch 6: Silverdale to Cleveleys (approx. 82km) – STAGE 1: ‘PREPARE’	
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