

A short walk around Grassholme Reservoir

On 23rd March 17 of us set off across the dam towards the north shore of Grassholme Reservoir with a chilly breeze in our face.

Having completed the recce on a warm sunny spring day the previous week, we met one week later to do the walk and were back in our thermals, hats, and gloves. A stark reminder to never cast a clout til May is out!

The route follows a well maintained circular path that gently winds around the reservoir's edge, providing consistently impressive views of open water and surrounding moorland. The reservoir itself was calm, reflecting the expansive sky and reminding us to pause and take in the scenery.



Along the route the company and conversation helped us to forget the chilly weather, and we soon reach the bridge at the West end of the water where we pause to discuss current water provision topical issues.



We are soon on our way again, returning along the South side of the reservoir where the terrain is relatively flat and there's a more tranquil atmosphere with less wind and less effort and a sense of calm envelops us.

Before we know it we are back at the car park and happy to be on our way home again after a very manageable rewarding short walk.

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