## **Visiting Hilbre**

## (1) Walking to Hilbre

The walk to Hilbre is told in pictures below.

It can only be done when the tide is out. Always ask for advice on safe times to do the walk.

There are videos on YouTube that show the walk and will help you decide if you would like to go.

This is the walking route from above.

Allow one hour to walk the 2.5 miles from West Kirby to the main (largest) island.

A slower walk or stops will add to the time.



The walk across starts at West Kirby.





The first part of the walk to Little Eye is sand with lots of puddles.





When you reach Little Eye you turn right and walk toward Middle Eye.

There are rocks and rock pools.

The ground is uneven.





At Middle Eye there are rock steps up and a path through grass and bracken across to the other side.





You can then see the last part of the walk to Hilbre.

It is an uneven mix of rocks, sand, shells and pools.





When you reach Hilbre look for path to your left.





The path takes you to the centre of the Island and places to explore.

If you have a dog, you must use a lead. There are nesting birds on the Island.





## (2) On the Island

We want visitors of all abilities to enjoy the wildness, nature and history of Hilbre.

We welcome feedback and ideas, which can be emailed to infohilbreisland@gmail.com

The next part is about the facilities on the Island.

There is a small shelter with benches and information boards.





On Open Days refreshments are served from the Day Room and the Telegraph Station is open to visitors.

Other buildings (not pictured) may be open and Seal Watch will help you spot the seals!





If you walk to the end of the Island you will find the old Lifeboat Station.

The path to it is rocky and uneven.





This is the old Lifeboat Station and the slipway to the sea.





## Are there toilets?

There is no running water on Hilbre but there are two composting toilets with antibacterial gel to clean your hands.



