

Anglesey Prayer Walk, June 22<sup>nd</sup> 2013  
Section 1. Holyhead to Porth Swtan (Church Bay)  
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We will meet at Holyhead Baptist Church at 9am for prayer before setting off at 9.15am.

The walk is approximately 14 miles and has plenty of variety, starting with a flattish walk around Holyhead and the Alaw estuary, then through agricultural land dropping down to rocky shores and beaches. Complete walk should take about 7 hours.

It is in two main sections.

1. Holyhead to the new Alaw Footbridge (Llanfachraeth), 6½ miles approx
2. Alaw Bridge to Porth Swtan, 7½ miles approx.

A detailed description and map can be found here:

<https://sites.google.com/site/friendsofangleseycoastalpath/path-maps>

### **Description**

**Section One.** From the Baptist Church we will head down to St Cybi's Church, then over the bridge, through the Port Terminal (Toilets), then turning left down Turkey Shore Road eventually after a right turn coming out on a playing field which leads to Traeth Penrhos. Then through Penrhos Coastal Park (Toilets/ Coffee Break ) to the Stanley Embankment. At the end of the Embankment turn left and walk along the Beach and after 1½ miles join the new path along the Alaw Estuary until reaching the new bridge. There is one stile in this section. This part of the walk will take about 3 hours with a stop and we aim to reach the bridge about 12.15pm. People could leave the walk or start Section Two here.

**Section Two.** This starts by walking along the estuary of the Alaw river, then across heathland, looking over towards Holyhead Port, until the beach just before Penial Dowyn farmhouse. (some parking here). Lunch stop here 1 -1.30pm. From there to Penrhyn and through the Caravan Parks (there is a shop in the second park) until Porth Tywyn Mawr (where there is parking for a few cars). Then to Porth Trefadog where there is some parking part way along the beach. Next to Porth Trwyn Bay where again there is a small parking area. The path then follows the coast to Porth Crugmor and eventually to Porth Swtan, (there is a car park , toilets and a café here). Also Bwthyn Swtan a restored example of a 17<sup>th</sup> Century Welsh Cottage.

Shorter walks would be possible along this section using some of the car parks.

Bus Service 61 might be of some use but it is an infrequent service.

<http://www.anglesey.gov.uk/Journals/2013/03/22/o/x/r/61gwanhaf130313.pdf>

Phone coverage seemed OK along most of the walk but none (Vodafone) at Porth Swtan.

As you can see there is a long distance with no toilets.

Strong footwear should be worn as the paths are uneven in places and could be muddy if wet.

Please bring your own lunch and plenty of drinks.