

ANGLESEY COASTAL PATH SECTION 8 – Min-y-Don to Llyn Rhos Ddu

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The walk divides into 2 parts:

1. From Min-y-Don to the Anglesey Sea Zoo (c. 1½ hours)
2. From Anglesey Sea Zoo to Llyn Rhos Ddu car park (c. 2 hours)

NB timings are based on a moderately brisk walking pace with short breaks to admire the scenery.

1. Min-y-Don to the Anglesey Sea Zoo

Fairly mixed terrain, ranging from roads (quiet country lanes), through fields and wooded paths to stony beaches. There is an alternative route avoiding the main coastal stretch; this can be used at high tide when the beach is submersed. There are several fields where livestock (including sheep, horses and cows) are likely to be encountered. This section of the walk has some beautiful views of the Menai Straits, as well as a chance (possibly) to spot some peacocks. Sadly, the impressive display of wild garlic along one section of the route will probably be finished by the time of the prayer walk. The first section of the walk finishes at a small car park on the road near Anglesey Sea Zoo, which might be a suitable starting or stopping point for anyone wishing to do only part of the walk.

2. Anglesey Sea Zoo to Llyn Rhos Ddu car park

Again, mixed terrain with roads (mostly quiet lanes; one short section on a fairly busy road, but with a pavement to walk on), fields, and beaches (once again with an alternative route to avoid the beach at high tide, if required). There is one section going alongside a river, and the route crosses the river on stepping stones. These are mostly quite big and flat, and fairly close together, so don't present any serious challenge for able-bodied adults but may be difficult for small children or the less mobile / sure-footed. The terrain could be quite boggy in places (especially near the river), particularly if it has been wet in the lead-up to the walk. There are also several narrow places with nettles around, so long trousers (and long-sleeved tops for children) are advised.

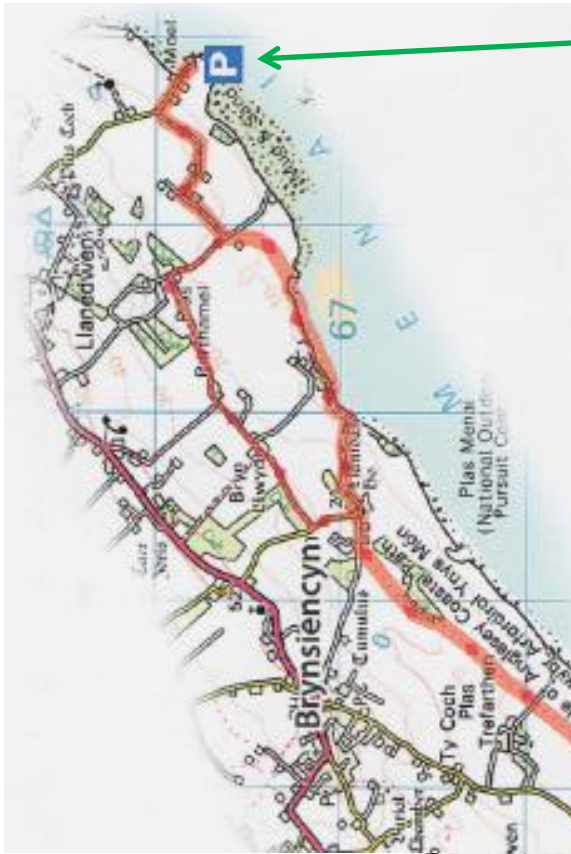
Miscellaneous Information

Toilets: There are no public toilets on the route, but plenty of trees and bushes on many sections of it! A short detour could possibly be made to use toilets at the Sea Zoo or Foel Farm Park, both near the mid-point of the walk. Some of the other car parks around Newborough Forest may have toilets, although there didn't seem to be one at Llyn Rhos Ddu.

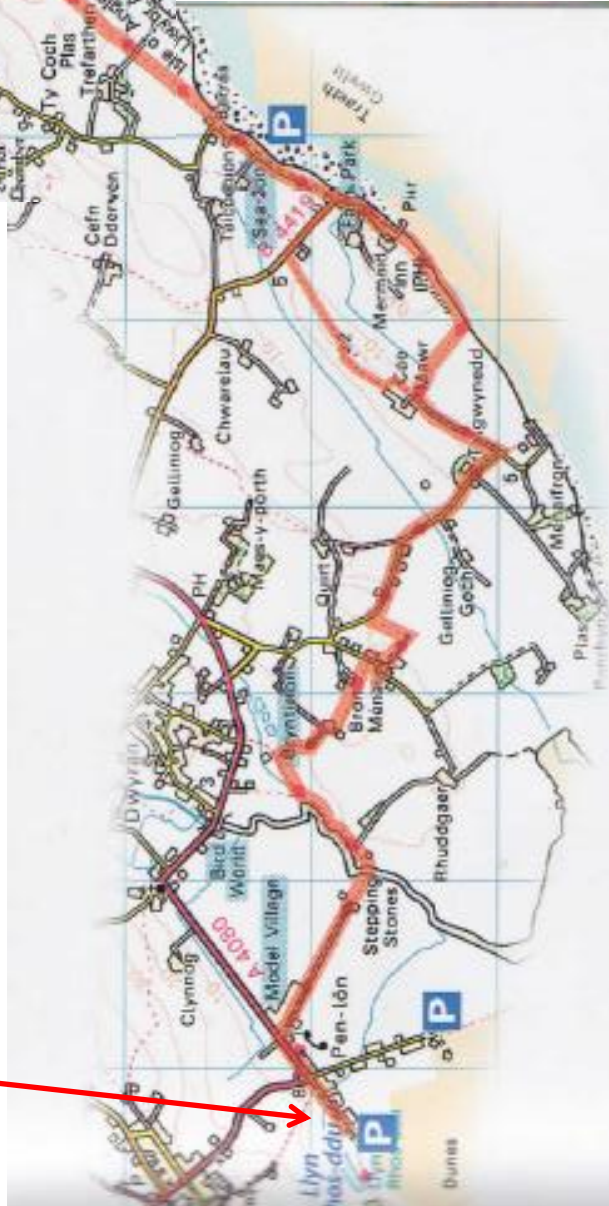
Sunblock: As it is a coastal walk there is likely to be a nice cooling breeze. Don't let that fool you into thinking you don't need sunblock! There are fairly long stretches without significant shade.

Reaching Min-y-Don: It is a turn-off from the Brynsiencyn Road (A4080). If you are coming from the A55, turn off at the lower end of Llanfairpwll, by the bridge, and take the A5 towards the village, then turn left (signposted for Brynsiencyn) just after the 30mph sign. Follow this road until just after Plas Newydd (on your left); you will reach a crossroads, with Min-y-Don signposted to the left and Llanddaniel Fab to the right. Turn left here and follow the road down to the car park at the bottom. (NB it appears on the OS map as Moel y Don, at grid reference SH 518 678.)

There is a charge for the car park (I think – not sure how much) and spaces are fairly limited. There is no obvious place to secure bikes there.



Start (Min-y-Don / Moel-y-Don)



End (Llyn Rhos-Ddu)

