

**Written Description of the Boundary relating to
the Lake District National Park
(Designation) (Variation) Confirmation Order 2015**

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Introduction

This description is designed to be read in conjunction with the 1:25,000 scale maps included within the Lake District National Park (Designation) (Variation) Confirmation Order 2015 as confirmed by the Secretary of State on the 23rd day of October 2015. It does not form part of the Order but is intended to assist interpretation of the map against features on the ground.

Map references in italics refer to the map numbers in the top right corner of the maps bound in with the Order. Map references within the text e.g. NY542011 are six figure Ordnance Survey Grid References.

The description of the boundary proceeds round the area of the boundary variations in an anti-clockwise direction (in line with the direction of the text in the original boundary description which accompanied the 1951 Lake District National Park Designation Order), from the point at which it deviates from the original boundary, to the point at which it re-joins it, for both the southern and eastern variations to the boundary.

In line with the description of the 1951 boundary, and unless otherwise stated:

- where the boundary follows roads and tracks, it follows the edge of the metalled surface of the road and the edge of the track, excluding the roads and tracks themselves; and
- in the case of water courses, if it is not stated whether the boundary follows the edge or the centre, the boundary follows the centre of the water course (although in this description the edge of water courses is generally stated).

Written description of the boundary

Map LDNP3

The boundary of the southern variation to the Lake District National Park begins at the point where the boundary designated in 1951 meets the River Gilpin (at SD473856).

The boundary crosses the River Gilpin and a small stretch of levee, to the adjoining minor road. The boundary follows the north side of the minor road in a predominantly easterly direction for around 1.1 kilometres, until it crosses the drainage ditch immediately west of Causeway End (at SD484857). The boundary then turns north following the east bank of the drainage ditch, crossing Lord's Plain Causeway and continuing north along the ditch until it crosses a track (at SD485873).

The boundary turns east, following the north side of the track for approximately 50m, then turns abruptly south for around 100m, until north of Cinderbarrow Farm (at SD486871). The boundary skirts around the back of a barn, and along a field boundary behind the farmhouse, excluding them from the variation, and crossing two unmade tracks, until it joins a minor road (at SD487871).

The boundary follows minor roads which skirt around Sizergh Fell, crossing another minor road (at SD488868), until it meets the A591 road (at SD501873). It follows the A591 road north until it meets a minor road (at SD504888). Following the minor road westwards for about 450m, it crosses the road (at SD500890), then turns north to follow field boundaries for approx 700m, until it meets a track, where it turns west. It follows the field boundary running along the north side of the track west for approx 300m. It leaves the track (at SD499896) following a field boundary around (and excluding) a pond, then turns north along field boundaries for around 1.1 Kilometres until it meets the Brigsteer road, which it crosses (at SD498907).

The boundary follows the west side of the Brigsteer Road north-east until (at SD 501916) it meets the existing National Park boundary. The 1951 National Park Boundary here follows the Helsington Parish boundary, briefly crossing then re-crossing the Brigsteer Road. The boundary of the variation again leaves the 1951 National Park Boundary (at SD501917) and follows a field boundary along the base of the road embankment alongside the Brigsteer Road, until it meets the A591 road. The boundary turns north, running along a field boundary on the west side of the A591, until it meets the National Park Boundary designated in 1951 where it crosses the A591 (at SD501920).

Map LDNP 2

The boundary of the eastern variation to the Lake District National Park begins at the point where, on the boundary designated in 1951, the A6 road and the Fawcett Forest Parish boundary meet.

It crosses the A6 (at NY542011) and follows the south side of Bannisdale Beck in a predominantly south-easterly direction until it meets the Whinfell Parish boundary, where it turns north, crossing the Beck, then following the Parish boundary along a field boundary for around 200m, until NY552006, where it turns east and follows a field boundary until it meets a minor road which it crosses.

It follows this minor road in a generally south-easterly direction for almost 5km to Grayrigg Hall. At Grayrigg Hall, the boundary turns east along the north side of a track, then follows field boundaries approximately east, then south, until it meets the A685 road at SD584974. The boundary follows the A685 road for almost 3 kilometres, until it meets a minor road at SD610983. It crosses the A685 to follow the north side of the minor road eastwards for around 500m, until it meets the B6257, which it crosses at SD614982 to follow a track. The boundary follows the north side of the track eastwards for 200m, then crosses the track and follows field boundaries in a generally eastward direction until it meets the M6 motorway.

The boundary follows field boundaries adjacent to the M6 motorway north for approximately 3 kilometres, until it meets the A685 road, which it crosses at NY608007, to follow the west side of the A685 northwards until the road crosses a minor road and meets the M6 motorway at NY611026. Here, the boundary turns north along the base of the motorway embankment following field boundaries until it meets the railway line at NY612043.

Map LDNP 1

The boundary follows field boundaries alongside the railway for about 1.25 kilometres until it meets and crosses Birk Beck at NY605053 (where the railway crosses Birk Beck). The boundary follows Birk Beck in a generally north-westerly direction, including it within the National Park, until south of Scout Green.

At NY595071, the boundary leaves the Beck to cross a minor road which it then follows until NY594074. Here it turns predominantly north-east along a small beck, until it meets another

minor road at NY595076. Here it turns west, following field boundaries alongside the road, crossing a minor road immediately north of Scout Green and continuing along field boundaries until it rejoins Birk Beck at a ford (NY590077).

The boundary follows Birk Beck in an approximately north-westerly direction until it joins Wasdale Beck at Shap Wells Hotel. It continues along the north bank of Wasdale Beck for approximately 1.3 kilometres until it meets a field boundary at NY569088. The boundary follows the field boundary approximately west for 300m until it meets the A6, which it crosses, to rejoin the Lake District National Park boundary as designated in 1951 at NY566088.

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