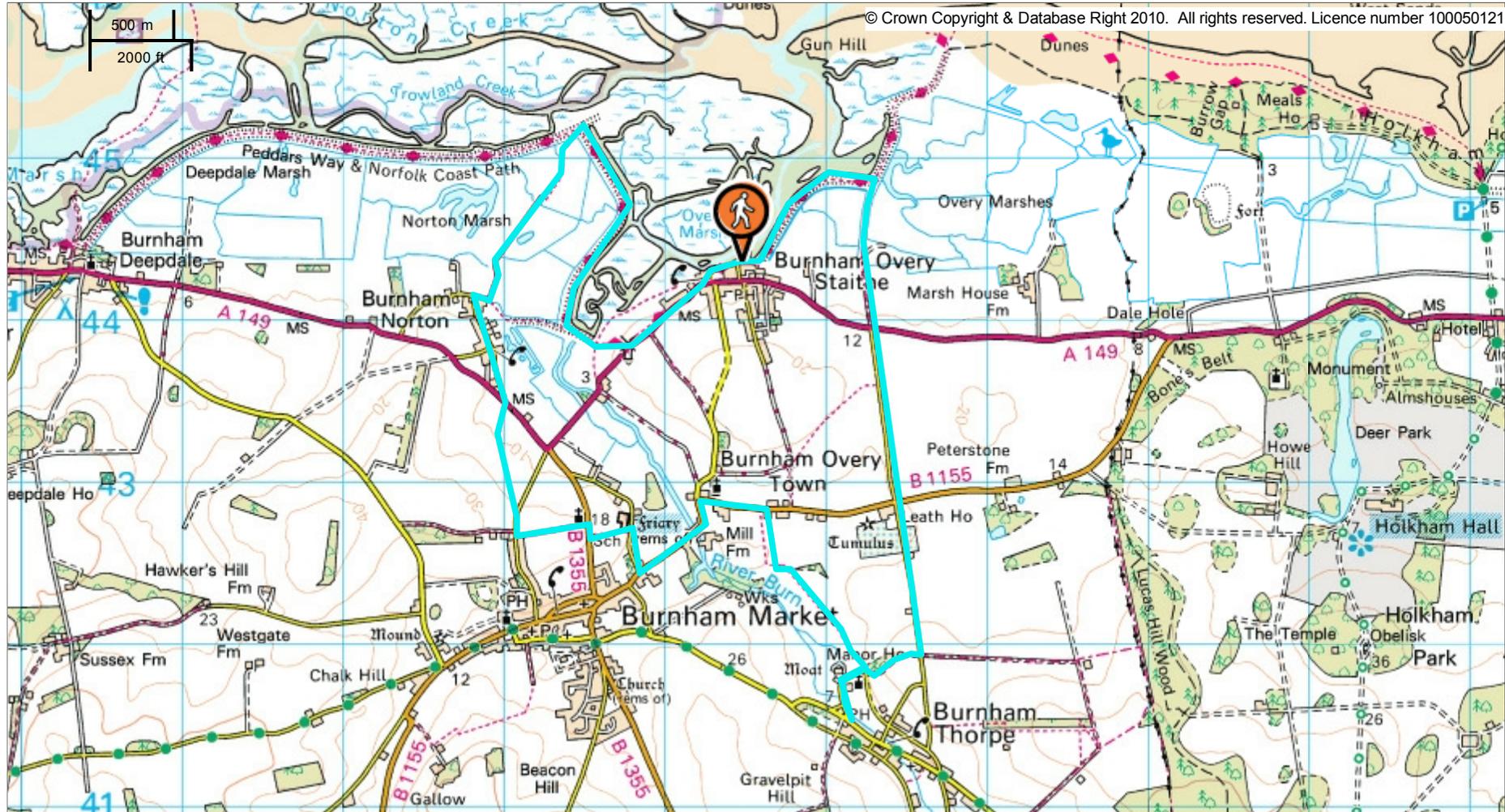


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## This walk combines the Norfolk coast with a visit to Nelson's birthplace

Park in the (free) seafront car park at Burnham Overy Staithe. This is used by people launching their dinghies, so park considerately.

Leave the car park at the eastern end and step up onto the coastal path.

Follow the coast path until you reach a track on the right. Take this track and proceed straight ahead, crossing two roads. Look out for the fruit farm on the left; it sells delicious plums in season. A few yards further on, take the permissive path on the left, which avoids having to walk on the road.

Take the track on the right towards Burnham Thorpe. You will recognise it by the White Ensign flying from the church tower. This is one of very few buildings entitled to fly this naval flag, and honours Admiral Lord Nelson, whose father was Rector here and who grew up in the village.

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Take time to visit the church, which has an information display about Nelson and his connection with the village.

From the church, continue along the road, bearing left to arrive at the Lord Nelson pub. Stop here for refreshments; the pub food is good and the beer garden spacious. (Nelson held a dinner here for the men of the village prior to his departure to join HMS Agamemnon.) There is also a shop selling Nelson ephemera.

From the pub, turn left and retrace your steps back past the church. Look out for a footpath turning off to the left where the road bears right (you may have missed this when you passed it entering the village!)

Follow the field boundaries until you reach the line of a disused railway, now overgrown by trees. Follow it leftwards, looking carefully for a path turning off to the right. (You may miss this, in which case you'll end up walking down Mill Farm's private drive to the road!)

Follow the path along a field boundary until you reach the road. Turn left.

Follow the road, bearing left and then over the river bridge.

Take the first turning on the right. Stop to explore the ruins of an old friary. Just before the ruins, a path turns off to the left. Follow this past a school.

Right then left on the B1355 takes you to another road. Turn right and look for a path bearing off to the left, downhill across a large field.

Cross the road at the bottom of the hill and take the minor road past a bus shelter to reach Burnham Norton. Turn right.

Here, you can either take a loop out to the coastal path, or proceed ahead to reach the A149. Follow this back to your start point.

