

**3. Foolow - Stanley Moor - Hucklow - Foolow**  
Starting to get taxing! 4 miles



From the door of the Bulls Head turn right and cross onto the green. Walking towards the duck pond a foot path is seen next to the entrance to The Manor House with a signpost "Silly Dale." Follow path through a narrow alley to a gateway leading into the fields.

At the gate the path turns right and walks diagonally left across the field to a "kissing gate." From here the path is obvious crossing 7 further fields to a junction with a green lane. Cross straight over the lane and follow the path through 3 further fields until the lane is joined again. This is the bottom of Silly Dale. Turn right following the lane for 50m where there is a junction with another green lane. Turn left towards the buildings of Stanley House Farm.

At Stanley House the track bears right and becomes Tarmac. Follow this. Cross a stile at the end of the 4th field, on the right and follow the path beside the wall. A narrow stile leads into the next field. Here the

path is often vague but crosses the next wall about 10 yds left of the barn via a high stone stile. The path crosses two more fields bearing diagonally left to another high stile by Stanley Moor Farm. Cross the stile and turn right along the track towards Great Hucklow.

At the end of the track, cross the road and walk straight ahead towards Hucklow. At the T junction in Gt. Hucklow turn left and take the 1st turning on the right.

Follow this past the school where it bends right and becomes a muddy uphill track through impressive woodlands. The track ends at a junction with a tarmac road. Turn right and follow this gently downhill to a T junction.

Turn left, slightly uphill. After about 50 yds a "green road" bears off right (an alternative would be to take the first track into Silence Mine, an area managed by a Foolow and Hucklow project, but this can be muddy). Follow the lane until a footpath crosses. Turn right and follow this downhill, steeply at first, until a stile leads into the field on the right.

Cross the stile and follow the path through 2 fields until a road is joined. Turn right onto this, Foolow is 5 minutes away.

**Great Hucklow** was once a thriving mining community. It had the areas largest remaining mine, which extracts Fluorspar, Lead and Calcite (although this too has now closed).

On the hill above the village is a gliding club, gliders can be observed flying over the area throughout the year.

There is one pub in the village, The Queen Ann. Village celebrations include a well dressing in August and spectacular Christmas decorations during December.