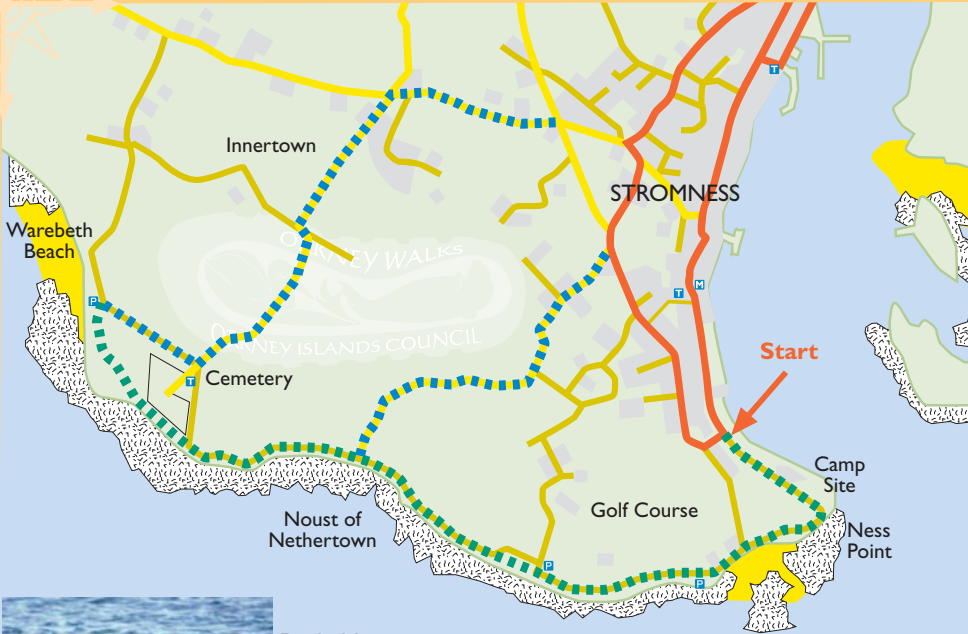


Stromness to Warebeth

3km (1.8m) Coastal walk, easy, level walking along a good path



Seal

Probably one of the most popular walks in Orkney, the

route gives spectacular views over Hoy Sound to the islands of Hoy (old Norse for 'High Island') and Graemsay. Strong tides run through Hoy Sound and large standing waves and strong eddies make this a stretch of water not to be taken lightly.

This area is well known for its geology, with renowned fossil fish beds and horse tooth stromatalites. It was also important during the Second World War in the defence of Scapa Flow - gun

emplacements can be seen along the walk and the Ness Battery is close by.



Warebeth pebbles

Further along past the cemetery is the beach of Warebeth which was in times past a great place for collecting 'Tangles' or Kelp stalks which were collected and dried for export to extract useful minerals. There are still remains of the 'drying dykes' along the top of the beach.

