

## G10 River Dearne Valley

This river valley forms a gentle low lying area between Emley Moor and the rolling wooded landscape to the south-east. It has an intact wooded character and is heavily settled with historic villages which have expanded along the valley e.g. Clayton West and Denby Dale. These settlements have a strong vernacular of stone buildings and reflect earlier association with mining and industry. The Kirklees light railway runs through the northern tributary valley and the Dearne Way long distance path connects Bretton Country Park and moorland fringe around Upper Cumberworth.