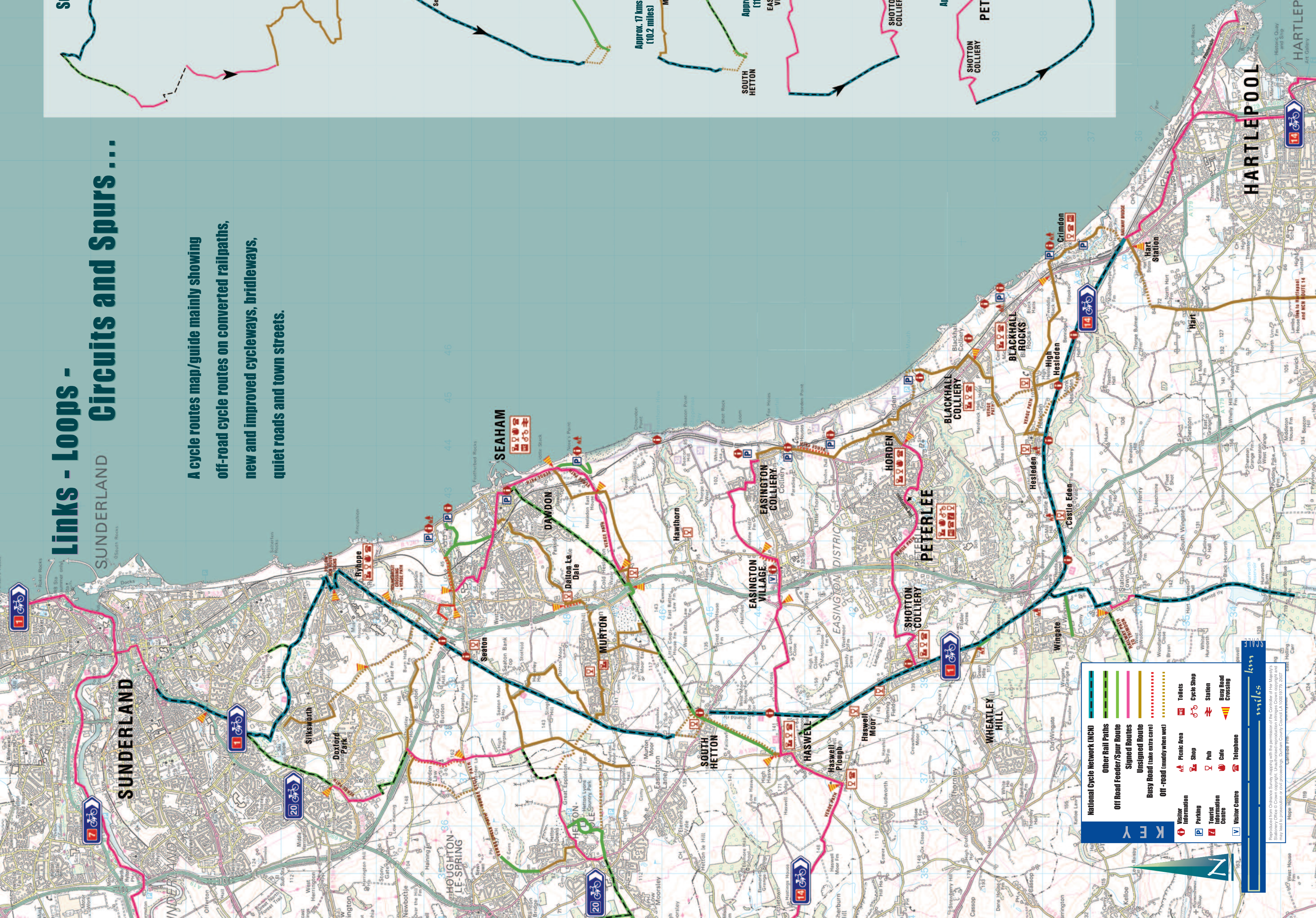
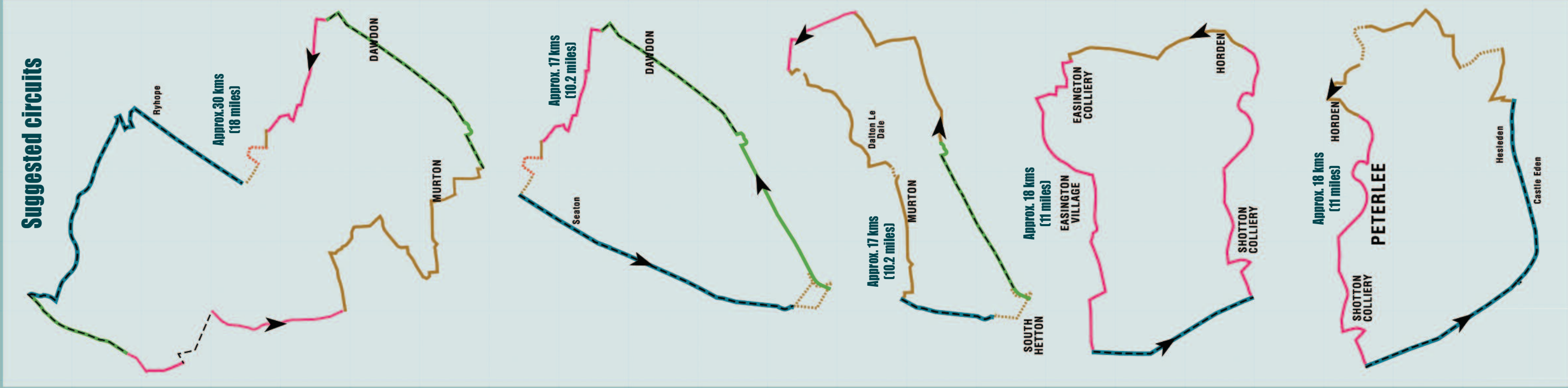


# Links - Loops - Circuits and Spurs....

A cycle routes map/guide mainly showing  
off-road cycle routes on converted railpaths,  
new and improved cycleways, bridleways,  
quiet roads and town streets.





This cycle routes guide shows how the conversion from 'rails to trails' can benefit local people, as well as visitors, who wish to walk and cycle or, where appropriate, travel on horseback around the East Durham countryside. The growing route network is a mixture of minor roads and bridleways which complement a number of converted colliery and quarry mineral lines and old wagonways. Together with the addition of new and/or improved cycle paths, the combined result is a resource which is available to everyone to use and enjoy.



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important connections between the other route sections.

Crimdon beach in its heyday

The Gurnant Coast

A detailed illustration of a large dam with water flowing over it, set against a backdrop of a cloudy sky and distant hills. The dam is a massive concrete structure with a series of buttresses. Water is cascading over the spillways, creating white foam. In the foreground, there are rocky outcrops and a small structure, possibly a gate or a part of the dam's infrastructure. The background shows a wide river valley with distant hills under a sky with scattered clouds. The style is reminiscent of a woodcut or a detailed pen-and-ink drawing.

The South Hetton Railway to Seaham Harbour, from a woodcut of 1835.

Postcard from the 1930s.

Love and Best Wishes from  
CRIMDON

Crimdon beach in its heyday

St Mary's Church, Easington Village (*Colin Cuthbert*,


Easington Colliery Pit Cage, erected on the former colliery site (*Darin Smith*)

A photograph of a grassy hillside covered in yellow flowers, with a blue sky and ocean in the background.

Rich floral species are found on the coast

Thank you for cycling! The bicycle is the most efficient and environmentally friendly form of transport ever invented.

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**Further Information**

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Public Transport information can be obtained by contacting the Traveline 0870 608 2 608 (open daily 7am-8pm). A free public transport information pack is also available from the Public Transport Group, County Hall, Durham, telephone: 0191 383 3337. email: [transinfo@durham.gov.uk](mailto:transinfo@durham.gov.uk)

Route survey by Cycle Trax


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The logo for the Durham Heritage Coast. It features a green rectangular box on the left with the text 'DURHAM' in white capital letters, and 'Heritage Coast' in a smaller, white, sans-serif font below it. To the right of the text is a circular emblem containing a stylized landscape with a green hill, a white path, and a blue sky with a white cloud.

The flag of the European Union, featuring twelve gold stars arranged in a circle on a blue background.

## Further Information

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# The East Durham link to the National Cycle Network