

## The Kirkburton/Denby Dale link to the TransPennine Trail



**Bank Lane**



**Long Lane**

*Richard Brook, secretary of Denby Dale Walkers are Welcome Group, writes....*

The Coast to Coast Trans Pennine Trail (see [www.transpenninetrail.org.uk](http://www.transpenninetrail.org.uk)) is a huge asset to the North of England and we were delighted when, in 2011, EPIP (see [www.epip.org.uk](http://www.epip.org.uk)) was able to fund a new extension to the TPT from Kirkburton & Denby Dale. This Kirkburton/Denby Dale link comprises both an on-road & an off-road route.

This year Denby Dale Walkers are Welcome group successfully applied for further funding, via EPIP, from the **European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development** to effect much-needed improvements to 2 sections of bridleway on the off-road route – on Bank Lane bridleway (leading from Barnsley Road, Denby Dale towards Upper Denby) and on Long Lane (leading from Thunderbridge towards Shepley). Match funding for the project and a short-term loan were secured from the **Rural District Committee of Kirklees Council**, to whom we are very grateful.

The work, undertaken by local contractors, was completed in early June and we are very pleased with the result.

