

## **24 - Towyn (Tudweiliog) to Porth Oer (Whistling Sands) 8miles/13 kms**

To access Towyn caravan site from Tudweiliog take the footpath just north of the Post Office across fields (muddy by gates) through the farmyard with the caravan site. Coffee, ice cream and snacks are available in season from the shop at the top of the path to the beach.

From the Caravan Site continue to follow the Coast Path. The footpath sign directs you to the beach – beautiful! If you take this option you will need to scramble up the cliff back to the path. Alternatively, or if the tide is in, make for a bench overlooking the bay and follow the coast at a higher level.

In places the path is no more than a sheep track along the top of low lying cliffs. Take extra care above the inlet at Penrhyn Melyn where the path is undercut and in danger of crumbling. It could be slippery if wet. About half way down Traeth Penllech where the stream comes down to the sea, the path descends steeply. Care is required to go down, across the stream and up the other side. The path keeps to the coast via Porth Colmon and its Car Park. Continue along the Coast to a definite ravine and stream at Porth Widlin. There is now a route all the way to Whistling Sands.

*Alternatively you can leave the Coast Path at Porth Widlin. When the Coast Path crosses the stream at Porth Widlin and goes directly ahead turn left to follow the footpath to the lane. Turn right along the lane. Go ahead at the first junction then right and left at the next two. After about 900 metres (and before the next road junction) take the footpath on the right which leads to the beach at Whistling Sands– so called because the sand squeaks under your feet. (The Welsh name Porth Oer means Cold Port.) Here there is a shop and cafe open during the season on the beach for a welcome cup of tea.*

### **From here there are two alternatives:**

**1.** Continue along the Wales Coast Path as it goes around the tip of the Llŷn Peninsula where there are excellent views over to Bardsey Island, before reaching Aberdaron;

**2.** Walk through the car park to the lane and follow a direct route to Aberdaron.