Grendon Village Walks

Walks in and Around Grendon

A Walk Around The Village - 21/4 Miles

Introduction

All walks start from the Information Panel near the entrance to the school in Main Road.

The route for the walk is described from point to point on the map overleaf.

Alternative routes are included and these are described by the additional point to points eq 4a -4b etc.

Unfortunately the number of stiles and ploughed fields on this walk make it unsuitable for pushchairs

MAIN ROUTE- 24 Miles

Facing away from the information panel turn LEFT towards the church. At the church turn LEFT into Church Way at point 1 $\,$

- 1) Walk past the church on the right and take the next RIGHT turn following the church perimeter wall on the right. At the end of the wall go up the steps into the church yard at point 2
- 2) At the gap between two houses turn LEFT into the new churchyard. At the bottom left hand corner of the churchyard proceed down some steps and continue downhill to a fence on the left hand side. Continue downhill to the right hand corner of the paddock into a field. Walk through the field keeping close to the hedge on the right past Grendon Hall on the right to a bridge over Grendon Brook at point 3
- 3) Proceed over the bridge and across the next field keeping to the left of the pylon to a track at point 4
- 4) Turn RIGHT on to the track and on to Hall Farm at point 5

Alternative (a) -To extend the walk turn LEFT at point 4 and follow the walk for alternative (a)

- 5) Cross the road into Blackmile Lane at Point 6
- 6) Walk along Blackmile Lane to a footpath sign on the RIGHT at point 7

Alternative (b) -To extend the walk turn continue down Blackmile Lane and follow the walk for alternative (b)

- 7) Go over the stile into the paddock and head for the top left hand corner of the paddock over a stile to point 8
- 8) Turn sharp RIGHT and head for kiss gate a short way across the field. Through the gate then straight ahead across another field to Grendon Brook and point 9
- 9) Go over the bridge and head for a gate and a stile at 1 o'clock. Go over the stile across the field to another stile. Proceed straight ahead to another stile and into a fenced off path between a cottage and a converted garage to Chequers Lane at point 10
- 10) Turn RIGHT into Chequers Lane and walk up the hill.
- 11) Walk to a footpath sign on the LEFT (It is possible to shorten the walk from here (point 11) by continuing up Chequers Lane to the church and turning LEFT back to the school) go up the bank and through the kiss gate into a paddock. Walk across the paddock to another kiss gate. Continue straight ahead over a series of paddocks and kiss gates to the Cricket Field.
- 12) Walk through the Cricket Field past the pavilion to a kiss gate in the right hand corner. Go through the kiss gate and follow the track which leads straight ahead behind some houses to a gate and track on the right at point 13.

Alternative (c) -To shorten the walk - Once through the kiss gate at 12 turn right through another kiss gate and walk down the path to point 12a. Turn RIGHT on to the road and walk back to the school.

- 13 Turn RIGHT and through the gate along the track to the road at point 14 $\,$
- 14 Turn RIGHT and follow the road back to the school.

LONGER ALTERNATIVES Alternative (a) - Extra $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles-From point 4 turn LEFT down the track to a hedge on the right with a marker post at point 4a. Turn RIGHT and follow the path with the hedge on your right to a tarmac track at point 4b. Follow the track straight on to a T junction turn at point 4c. Continue to follow the track to the road at point 4d. Turn RIGHT and follow the road to Blackmile Lane and rejoin the main route at point 6

Alternative (b) -Extra $\frac{1}{2}$ mile -From point 7 follow Blackmile Lane to the end of the tarmac at point 7a. Turn RIGHT at the bridleway sign and walk straight ahead with a hedge on your right down to a metal gate at point 7b. Go through the small pedestrian gate into another field. Stay in the same direction with a hedge on your left to Grendon Brook. Follow the path round to the bridge over the brook at point 7c. Go over the bridge through the gate and head for the metal gate in front of you. Go through the gate on to the track. Go past the sewage works on the right where the track changes in to a tarmac surface. Continue to follow the track (which becomes Chequers Lane) and re-join the main route at point 10

SAFE WALKING

Be prepared—always wear suitable clothing and sturdy footwear-Take care when crossing or walking on roads (walk facing the oncoming traffic) Follow the Country Code - Keep to the line of the paths - Leave gates as you find them - Respect the countryside —Leave wildlife, livestock , crops and machinery alone - Keep dogs under control - Take your litter home.

Recommended Map - Ordnance Survey Explorer 207

Click Here to download the GPX file for the Main Route

<u>Click Here to download the GPX file for the shorter</u> <u>Alternative (c)</u>

<u>Click Here to download the GPX file for the longer</u> <u>Alternative (a)</u>

<u>Click Here to download the GPX file for the longer</u> Alternative (b)

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