Route Directions

1. From the Village hall car park turn left along the road. Veer left again at the next road junction. If following the short route turn left again after 250m along a lane (the turn is quite sharp) and then follow instruction 2.

2. Carry on up for about 1200m, past several gates, until you reach a quarry on your right. Numbered instructions for the shorter route start again at 3.

3. For the longer route carry on along the road for a further 250m. Turn left just at the entrance to Rose Farm and then right when level with the farm towards a metal kissing gate; proceed straight ahead following the footpath sign then bear left keeping to the edge of the field before passing through a number of gates, eventually bearing slightly right to arrive at Bank Farm.

4. On reaching the track just short of the farm, turn sharp left and follow it for 1km. Where the footpath sign indicates, turn right off the track. After 150m you will emerge from the wood onto a field.

5. Keep to the right of the field (TAKE CARE; VERY STEEP). Turn left before you reach Netherley Hall and follow the track until you reach a quarry.

6. At the quarry, take the path that goes downhill over a couple of stiles and go left along a metalled drive heading for the church.

7. When the drive goes to the right, go straight on along a path past a stile and over the stream until you meet the road. Turn left to inspect some of the older buildings and then do an about turn towards the church.

8. At the church turn left and go through a gate up a broad lane which narrows to a path.

9. After 500m, where four paths meet, go straight ahead over the stile and then keep to the left of the field, crossing a stile to your left after 300m. Turn right towards a stile at the end of the field. (Do not cross the stream)

10. Cross the stile and follow round the bottom of the field keeping the stream to your left, eventually crossing the stream using the double stile bridge and then veering right after the next stile towards a gateway to the right of a line of trees.

11. Carry on across the field to reach the road through what is known locally as a ‘smudging’ gate (To smudge is to kiss in these parts). Turn left along the road and then left again opposite the entrance to Old Country Farm.

12. Follow the way markers (at eye height on the trees) through the orchard. Turn left at the stile at the end and cross another double stile bridge to follow a path through woodland for about 300m.

13. At the end of the coppiced wood, drop down over a stile and follow the stream, crossing it after 150m and pass through two more fields.

14. On reaching a house, go right and then left to pass it and then proceed up the metalled road for about 750m.

15. On reaching the main road, carry straight on for 90m (TAKE CARE) before climbing over the stile to the field on your right. Cross the field aiming just to the right of the timbered cottage. On reaching the lane, turn left and on reaching the main road, carry straight on for 200m, turning left just after Moat Farm.

16. Carry on along the obvious path until you reach a cricket ground after about 1 km. Pass around the playing area to the opposite corner.

17. On reaching the road, turn right and follow the road to the left to return to the start point.

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