

Route Map

Notes on Walk No. 2 Updated April 2015

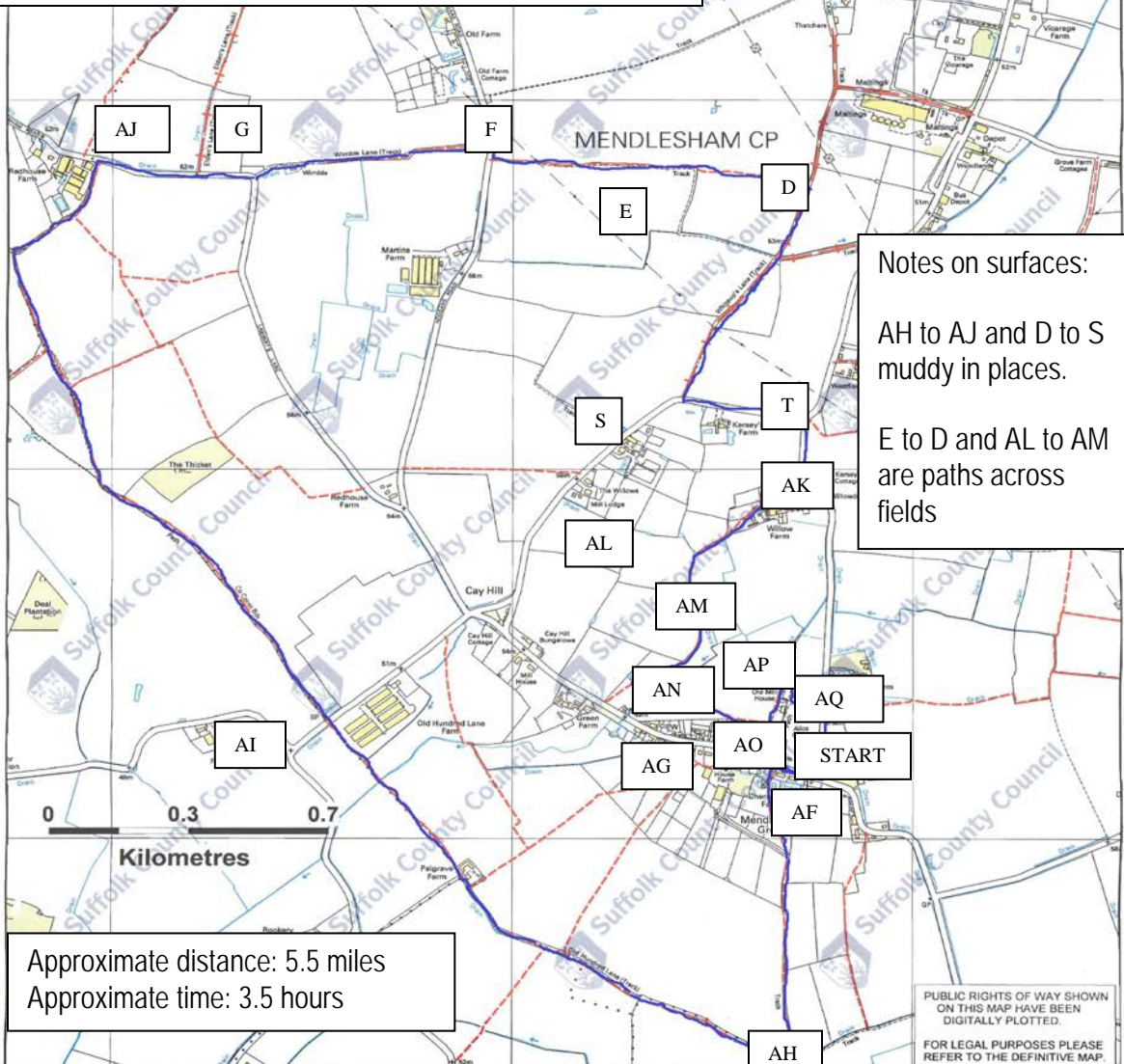
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Narrative route description in **blue**

Narrative for access and signage issues in **orange**

Issues to address in **red**

References to definitive map and points on route map in black



Approximate distance: 5.5 miles
Approximate time: 3.5 hours



Scale 1:10,000 approximately. (6" = 1 Mile)
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Mendlesham - Yellow & Blue Walks

- Public Footpath
- Bridleway
- Byway

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Route Description

Start at Mendlesham Green Scout Hut (START). Turn left out of the scout hut and proceed to the end of the road (AF). Or Park at the Community Centre and walk through the Vicarage Plantation to point D White up's lane, following the last section of the walk first and returning back the same way.



Mendlesham Green Scout Hut



View from Scout Hut to end of road (AF)

Turn right and proceed to the footpath sign on the left opposite the red phone box (AG).



View from corner of road (AF)



Footpath sign (AG)

Turn left and take the path labelled Cherry Tree Farm (This is right of way 34 on definitive map). Head towards the wooden gate at the side of the farm house. Just before the gate, turn left. Pass through the kissing gate and follow the field edge to the field corner.



Footpath towards Cherry Tree Farm



Kissing gate

Turn right and follow the path along the field edge, with extensive horse paddocks to the right, going past an unused stile and through two further kissing gates.



Kissing gate



Horse paddocks

On reaching the way marker (AH), turn right onto Old Hundred Lane (This is a bridleway and is initially right of way 15 on the Earl Stonham definitive map. It then continues as right of way 35 along the Stowupland border until it reaches Palgrave Farm). Old Hundred Lane runs along the top of the picture above with the horses in the field

Follow the **bridleway** keeping to the left of the hedge. Go past the **footpath sign** to your right until you reach **Palgrave Farm**. There are two **footpath signs** to your right along your way. The last one is just before reaching **Palgrave Farm**. (These mark rights of way 36 and 38 respectively).



Way marker at Old Hundred Lane



Footpath signs along Old Hundred Lane on way to Palgrave Farm

Bridleway to the left of the hedge



Continue past Palgrave Farm along the byway. (This is right of way 66 on the definitive map but vehicles are restricted to Permit Holders only). **The drive to the left is private and leads down to the Stowupland Road.**

Cross over a bridge and continue walking until meeting the road (AI).



Bridge along Old Hundred Lane



Cross the road and continue along the byway crossing two bridges. After the first bridge the byway curves right.



Continuation of byway



First bridge



Second bridge

Some distance after the second bridge, the byway becomes a hedge-lined sunken lane and is clearly marked. Take this.



Hedge-lined sunken lane



At the sign at the end of the path, turn right. (This is right of way 67. For the last part of the route, it joins right of way 45 and these two run together until they join the road at Redhouse Farm). Continue along this path until you reach the road at Redhouse Farm (AJ).



Footpath signs



Byway alongside Redhouse Farm to road (AJ)

At the road, turn right and follow the road until you reach the no through road sign at Wimble Lane (G). Turn left. (This becomes right of way 1)

No through road sign at start of Wimble Lane



Follow Wimble Lane, past Wimble Cottage, until you reach the road (F).



Wimble Lane

Cross the road and take the footpath immediately opposite. (This is right of way 47 on the definitive map). Follow the footpath to where it ends and joins Whiteup's Lane (D). Turn right.

The final part of footpath 47 runs across a field; it is not always restored and, whilst not officially permitted, sometimes there is a need to walk around this field along the track to the right, turning left at the Middle Railway sign and then right on to Whiteups' Lane. The point where this occurs is marked as (E) on the route map.



Whiteup's Lane can be very muddy in parts.

The road beyond Whiteup's Lane is busy and caution should be exercised when walking along this road.

Whiteup's Lane

Follow the lane until you reach the road (S). Turn left and follow the road until you reach a road junction on the right (T). Take this right turn heading towards Mendlesham Green.



*View along lane towards Mendlesham.
'T' Junction for Mendlesham Green will
be on the left*



Road junction (T) going towards Mendlesham Green

After a short distance on this road (AK), there is a footpath sign on your right. Cross the stile and take this footpath (This is right of way 52 on the definitive map).



Footpath sign at stile

After crossing the stile, turn right along the line of the hedge. At the way marker, turn left and head towards the way marker.



Waymarker beyond stile

Follow the footpath and signs through the garden passing old farm machinery.

Go straight ahead through a clearing towards another way marker. Keep the farm buildings on your left. Ignore the route between two barns and head for the two yellow way markers.



Turn left between the Nissen hut and the unused barn. At the end of the barn, bear right following the way markers. Keep the field with horses in it on your right. Head diagonally across the field to the corner and cross the bridge.



Turn right and cross a second bridge.



First bridge (second bridge visible on right)



Second bridge

Follow the field edge to the way marker where the field edge turns 90 degrees to the right. At this point (AL) turn 90 degrees to the left and head directly across the field.



Follow field edge



At the waymarker, turn left across field

Head for the corner of the hedge (AM). It is not always restored, but a way across can usually be seen.



Continue along the field edge past the way marker and into an open meadow. Head diagonally left across meadow to bridge (AN). Cross bridge (This is now right of way 49 on definitive map).



Waymarker and into meadow



Bridge

After this bridge, turn left through a wooded area and cross another bridge. At this point, there is a way marker. Turn right along the field edge.



Wooded area



Bridge and waymarker

Continue to the end of the path (AO) with the Mendlesham Green children's play area on your right. Turn left at the hedge (this is right of way 50 on the definitive map) and follow the fences along the bottom of gardens.



Footpath sign at end of path adjacent to children's play area

Follow this path with gardens and houses on your right. Turn right and emerge from the path onto the lane (AP). Turn right.

Head along track and turn left at Old Mill House. Follow the track to the road (AQ). Turn right on the road and return to the Scout Hut.



Emerge from path



Track heading back to Mendlesham Green



Road back to Scout Hut