

Chevington

Start & Finish Points: Chevington Village Hall (TL 784 591)

Mileage: 6.3 miles

This pretty and varied walk in the parishes of Chevington and Depden takes in several farms and Depden Green and church. The walk entails walking on some hard surface lanes and a track that can get very difficult after rain.

Start your walk with your back to the village hall, turn right walking on a pavement. When you come to crossroads turn left down Hargrave Road. About 20 yards before you come to Grange Mill Road to your right turn left at a footpath sign. When you come to another footpath sign on your left go on for a few paces and then turn right having fences both sides. Then cross a track following footpath signs across a green then on a path with a hedge to your right. Go through a gap in the hedge, turn left and then carry straight ahead into a copse. When you come to a fork in the paths turn right. When you leave the copse go straight ahead with a hedge to your left.

Just after crossing a ditch turn left and when you come to the field boundary turn right. At a footpath sign turn left for a few paces then right through some trees aiming for a stile. Cross the stile into a meadow and walk ahead, keeping to the left boundary of the meadow, then go through a metal gate on your left then carry straight ahead on a track with farm buildings to your right.

When you come to a bridleway sign to your right just after passing some trees turn right walking on a track. You will then come out onto a track at a bend, just carry on, on that track soon having housing to your right. When you come out onto a road turn left having Depden Green both sides. You will eventually come to a right turn by a sign to the church. Turn right having the village sign to your left.

Ignore the next two footpath signs to your right and when you come out onto the A143 turn right walking on a wide green verge and after 50 yards you will come to Depden Farm Café and shop then carry on to a footpath sign turn right and over a stile into a meadow. (To avoid walking along the road, just before you get to the A143 turn right onto the footpath on drive leading to Beech Hall, when drive sweeps to the right continue straight ahead and then turn right onto the path crossing the meadow). Cross the meadow diagonally right to another stile before crossing another meadow diagonally right. Cross another stile and turn right, followed by a quick left, having a field to your left.

At a crossroads of paths by a footpath sign turn left. When you come to a footpath sign on your left, to continue the walk go straight across the field in front of you. If visiting church – turn left, and return to this point. Then cross the field in front of you slightly diagonally right aiming for a farm building the other side. Turn right before you get to the hedge in front of you, walking on a green track having a fence to your left.

Cross a footbridge into some trees, before emerging onto a track and turning left, then immediately right, having housing to your left. When you come to a T-junction of roads turn left and at another T-junction turn right then next right onto a road signposted Knowles Green.

At a gate in front of you go through into a meadow and turn left walking on a track that will take you to an iron gate. Go through and walk ahead on the track in front of you. When you come to a bridleway sign on your right swing to the left walking on a track that will soon become a road. At a T-junction of roads turn left, back to your starting point.

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