

Turn right out of the Village Hall car park (1) onto High Street, cross over the road and along the pavement. Just past Beaufort House Residential Home turn left onto the track and keep straight on with hedge on your right, go into the narrow lane to pass the water pumping station on your left and walk along the right hand edge of the next field to the intersection with the made-up track (Bath Lane - part of Cotswold Way).

Turn left onto the track (2) and follow this for 1.3 km with open views of the Severn Vale and Welsh hills on your right and the distant Marlborough Downs to your left.



“Just before the track’s junction with the road bear right”

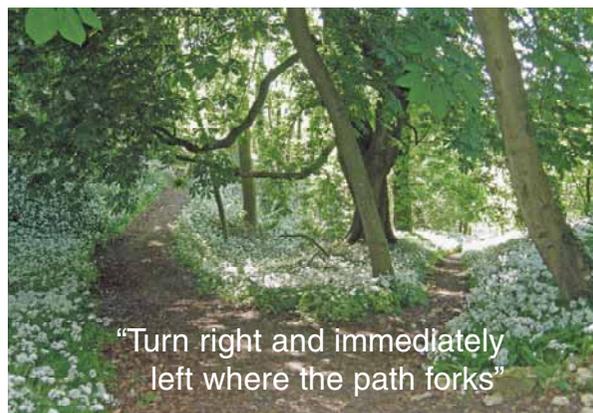
Just before the track’s junction with the road (Highfield Lane) bear right at the Cotswold Way/ Monarch’s Way waymarks (3) and go along the path, which runs parallel to the road, passing through two fields. Go through

“Go through the (missing) kissing gate to the third field and immediately bear right”



the (missing) kissing gate (4) to the third field and immediately bear right following the Cotswold Way sign (NOT along the Monarch’s Way which goes straight on at this point). The path goes diagonally across this field to the right of the derelict barn, then pass through the gap in the hedge and bear right at the waymark, along the well defined path to reach a small wooden gate leading into a group of trees.

Pass through the gate and bear left as the path weaves between impressive beech trees keeping fence line on your left.



“Turn right and immediately left where the path forks”

The path then runs downhill to a four-way junction (5). Turn right and immediately left where the path forks (NOT straight down to the five bar gate visible at this point, which is where the Cotswold Way used to go and is still shown as such on older maps). Go through the kissing gate with a Cotswold Way waymark on it and follow the well-defined path across the field. Horton Court and Church of St James the Elder can be seen below you on the right.

Bear right at the edge of the field before the trees as the path heads downhill across the field (ignore the path through the kissing gate on left that leads up through the trees), keeping the fence line on the left to reach the five bar gate & stile leading to the road (Horton Lane).



“to reach the five bar gate & stile leading to the road “

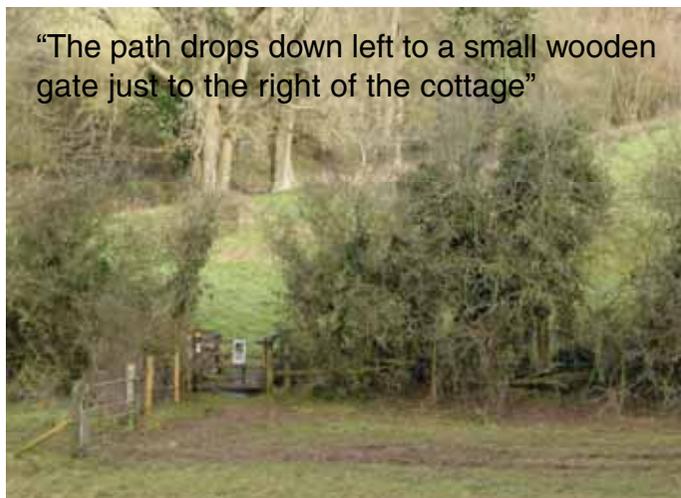
Turn right (6) along the winding road past Horton Court and Church and then follow it for another 800 metres until you come to Upper Chalkley Farm on the left.



“On the right you will see a large double metal gate”

Just past the farm and on the right you will see a large double metal gate (7) and a footpath sign high up on a telegraph post. Go through these gates (or over the wooden

fence) and contour diagonally left across this field then bear right when a cottage comes into view.



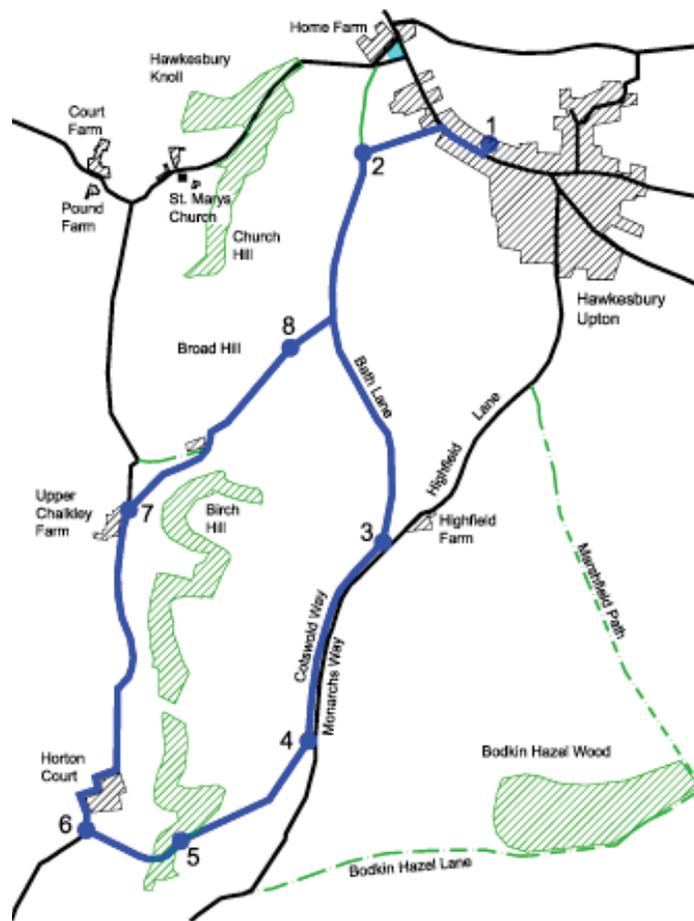
“The path drops down left to a small wooden gate just to the right of the cottage”

The path drops down left to a small wooden gate just to the right of the cottage. This gate has a waymark and an Open Access sign on it. You are now entering a 'right to roam' area. Bear left and either ascend the hill by going up the gully or follow the edge of the hill up just to the right of the gully and join it near the top.

At the top of the gully go over a stile (with sign indicating that you are leaving Open Access land) and immediately through a metal gate straight ahead with waymark sign on it. Pass through this gate and head up the middle of the field to a small wooden gate visible on the skyline, to the left of a tree.

Go through this wooden gate (8) and pass up the right hand edge of the field to the stile at the top, which leads you back onto the made-up track of the Cotswold Way. Retrace your steps back to the start by turning left and walking along

the track for about 500 metres, before turning right along the clearly signed footpath just after you see the pumping station mound and mast on your right. This leads you back to High Street.



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WALKS AROUND HAWKESBURY

No: 03

OS Explorer Map167
Thornbury, Dursley & Yate

Grid ref: ST 777 870

Distance: 3.9 miles (6.3 km)

Time: about 2 hours

Difficulty: Moderate

(one steep climb)

Start: Hawkesbury Upton
Village Hall car park



July 2008 Village Walk

Broad Hill and Horton
