

Waveney Ramblers Waveney 4 Scole and Billingford

OS Map: Explorer 230 Track: [TM 14755 78622](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 8.3 Miles Updated: 2018

Park at the south end of Bridge Road, Scole.

Head SW along Bridge Road and cross the Waveney. At the A143, cross over and head a few paces right, west. Turn left, south, along the footpath. At the end of the field, the path bends left, SE and soon right, south again. At the B1118, turn right, west, and after a few paces, turn left, south, towards Warren Hill Farm, Oakley. At the farm buildings, bear left, SE. (You could also continue south - see map).

The gravel lane bears right, south. At the crossroads, bear left, SE and soon east between barns.

After the barns, continue east on tarmac. At Buck Lane, turn right, roughly south on the tarmac.

At the end of the lane, bear left, SE along The Street. This lane gradually bends left, NE, and becomes Upper Oakley Road. Ignore two footpaths, left and two footpaths, right. Ignore Oalkey Church Lane, left. When Upper Oakley Road bends left, north, turn right, roughly east along the private tarmac road.

The road splits four ways. NE, E, SE and South. Take the SE branch. A footpath sign here would be useful.

The tarmac ends. Continue SE on gravel. Ignore a right turn. Continue SE, fence both sides.

When the lane swings right, south, marked private, continue ahead, east, meadow left, woodland right.

Go through a gate and cross the bridge. At a transformer, up a power pole, the path bends right, SE, hedge left and soon right, south, fence left. At the south corner of the field, go through the gate and left, NE, along Eye Road, tarmac.

Drop down to a junction. Bear left, north, signposted to Diss.

Cross a tributary stream and head past the Swan. Pause for refreshments perhaps.

Pass a shop on the right. Pause for provisions perhaps. Bear right and head past the village green.

At the B1116, turn right, east or make a short diversion via the church.

Near the end of the village, bear left, NW, into Water Mill Lane.

At a concrete parking bay, turn off the lane and head north along the leafy woodland track, downhill.

At a branch, bear right, NE, still on the wide track, tall poplars, left.

Go through the kissing gate and head roughly north across the meadow, watercourse and trees left.

Bear left, NW, watercourse and trees left. Cross the gated bridge over the wier. Turn left, NW, Waveney and trees left.

At the corner of the field, cross the stile and turn left, NW, Waveney and trees left. Ignore the path to the right. The path bends left, west and soon NW, Waveney and trees left.

At the field corner, Waveney Crotch left, turn right, north, hedge both sides and head for the A143.

At the main road, turn left, west, along the lay-by.

Before the end of the lay-by, turn right, north. Cross the A143. Head north along Kiln Lane.

After one field, turn left, west, towards Hall Farm.

At Hall Farm, decide whether to divert via the church and Horseshoes, Billingford.

To visit the church and pub, turn left, south, past the church.

At the A143, turn right, west, towards the pub, refreshments. Opposite the pub, turn right, north, up Northgate Lane.

Just before a bend in the tarmac, at a power pole, turn left, west, re-joining the slightly shorter route.

To bypass the church and pub, continue west to Norgate Lane.

Turn left, south and at the first power pole, turn right, west, rejoining the slightly longer route.

Both routes now head west, hedge right.

Go through a gap and continue roughly west. You can see the Brome wind turbines in the distance. At the bungalow, ignore the right turn. Continue west past an unusual ruined circular tower on the right. Head west on the tarmac until it bends left, south. Leave the tarmac and, on the grassy path, continue west, hedge left. This path leads into Scole where it bends left, SW, to join the old Bungay Road. Turn right, west, and head for the centre of the village. Turn left, SW, into The Street and head past the Scole and Crossways Inns, refreshments. Continue SW along Bridge Road back to the car parking.

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