

**Rural Rambles Round  
Harleston**



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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 0 Rural Rambles - Harleston

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Here are nineteen walks around Harleston.

The footpaths are mostly in good condition but the river Waveney tends to flood, mainly in winter, so the floodplain is best avoided at these times.

Some of the walks cross the A143. During busy times this can be particularly dangerous.

There is some lane walking. These roads are quiet but take care all the same.

The website has GPX and KML downloads of the walks for use with handheld GPS receivers.

The trails have been shared on Wikiloc and you can use their "app" to follow the trails.

The maps have a QR code that takes you to the Wikiloc trail.

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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 1 Wortwell Area

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 27540 85036](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 4.8 Miles Updated: 2018

Park at the north end of Tunbeck Close beside the playing fields just before the community centre.  
Head SW past the community centre building and aim for the children's play area.  
Cross the playing fields, SW, aiming for the largest tree on the far side.  
Cross the stile. Turn right, north, hedge right.  
Cross the busy A143 and head north on the footpath opposite. Cross the field, no hedges.  
At the top of the field, cross the stile and head downhill into woodland.  
Head north, over a bridge, past the buildings along a footpath, fenced both sides.  
Head north through woodland. Merge north with a wider farm track.  
At the north end of the track the shorter walk heads left, west and the longer walk heads right, east.  
SHORTER WALK - Head west along Stony Lane. At the bottom of the hill the two routes re-join.  
LONGER WALK - Head east along Stony Lane which becomes an attractive oak-lined avenue.  
At the tarmac Tunbeck Road, turn left, north, and head past the Grain Brewery with wonderful hop fumes.  
At the T junction with the Alburgh village sign, turn left, west, over a stile into paddocks.  
Negotiate the electric fences and nettle choked paths west, hedge right.  
At the bottom before the drainage ditch head left, SW and battle past more nettles and electric fences.  
Go through an accordion gate and enter a beautifully mown grass track - a good land owner.  
Follow the path SW, hedge right. At the bottom re-join the shorter walk at Stony Lane.  
BOTH WALKS - Head west across the ford or if it's wet, use the footbridge.  
After the ford, take the first left and head SW and soon south, hedge left.  
At the end of the field, go through the gap, over the sleeper bridge and continue south, hedge left.  
At the woodland, turn right, west, and a few paces later turn left, south, through attractive mature trees.  
At the wide gravel track, turn right, SW, fields left, woods right. After the wood, the track continues, oak lined.  
At the right hand bend, turn off the gravel lane and head SW along the field perimeter, hedge right, oak tree ahead.  
Continue SW, soon following twin power lines. There is a good view of the Redenhall church to the left.  
At the house, turn left onto Church Lane (tarmac) and head SE. Ignore the right turn to Harleston and Starston.  
At the A143, turn left and cross the waterway.  
Cross the main road and head south towards the church along a tarmac footpath.  
The watercourse and woodland are to the right.  
Cross the old A143 and head up the steps into the churchyard.  
Head right, west, past Redenhall church which has the most beautiful decorative flint.  
Head west downhill in the cemetery. Still in the cemetery, turn left, south and leave the churchyard by a small gate.  
Follow the field perimeter south, hedge left.  
At Cook's Lane (tarmac) turn left, NE for 190 metres.  
At a cross-roads in the overhead power lines, turn right and head south following a row of electricity poles, no hedges.  
The view becomes excellent and the path bends left, SE, and drops down into the Waveney Valley.  
Turn left, NE, along Low Road (tarmac) and head back towards Wortwell.  
Soon after the "bends" warning sign, turn left, NE, over a stile into a meadow, hedge left.  
Leave the meadow by another stile and skirt the Wortwell Bell Pub garden.  
At the tarmac, turn right, NE, and immediately left, NW onto Tunbeck Close.  
Take the first left into the playing fields and head NW across the grass, back to the car park.

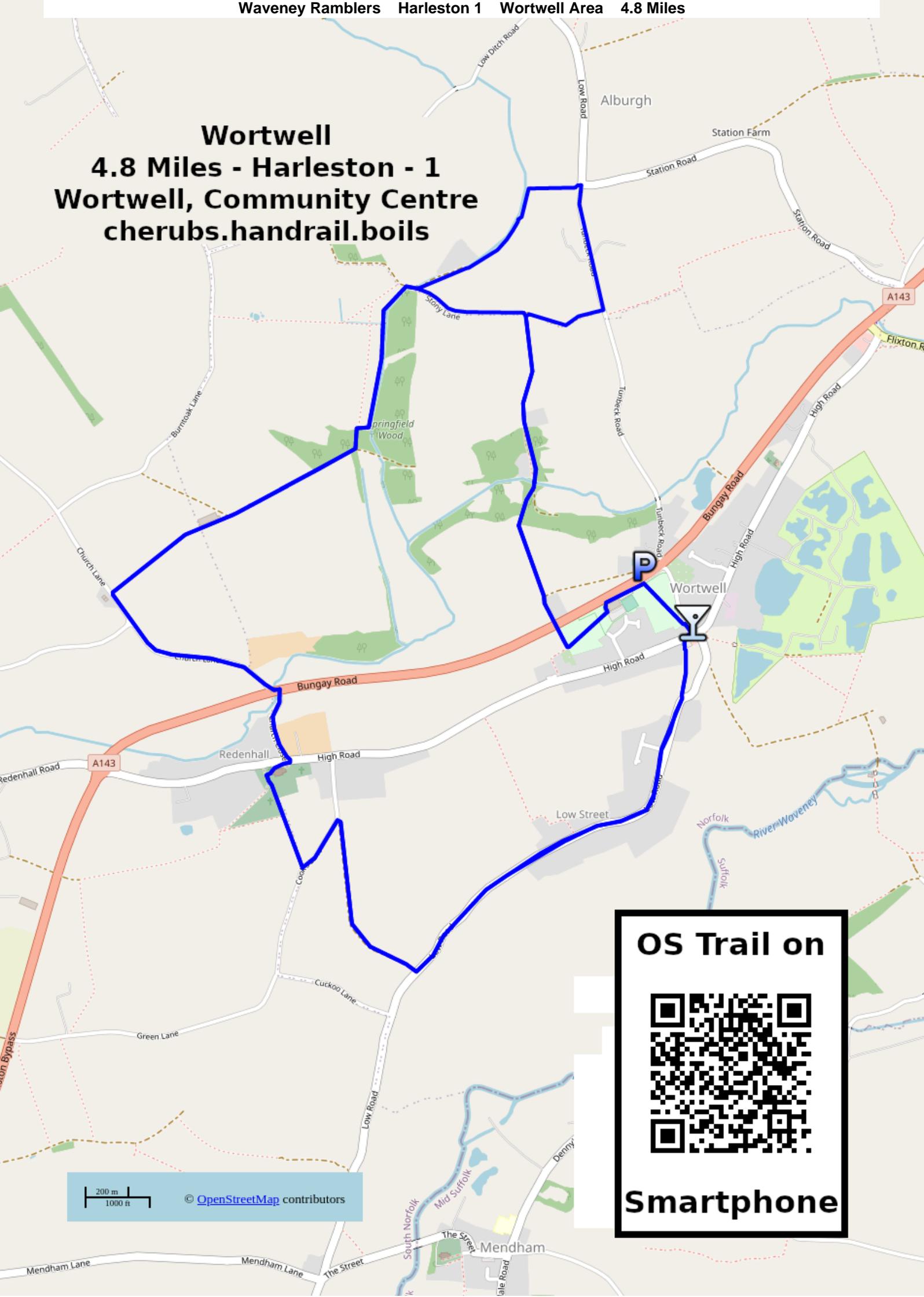
Refreshments: Wortwell Bell and the Black Swan a mile to the NE.

# Wortwell

## 4.8 Miles - Harleston - 1

### Wortwell, Community Centre

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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 2 Homersfield and Sand Pits

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 28707 85757](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 4.7 Miles Updated: 2018

Meet at the lay-by off the B1062 close to Homersfield.

Head NE away from the village. Merge with the B1062 and walk along this moderately busy road. Ignore the right turn to Halesworth and continue 180 metres NE along the B1062. Turn right, SE, onto a woodland footpath. At the gravel lane, turn left, east, lake left for 700 metres. Turn right, south, at a crossroads, busy with heavy quarry vehicles. Head uphill soon passing buildings. Continue a little east of south until you reach large barns and farm buildigs.

Turn right and head SW for 170 metres along the tarmac. Turn left, south, along a grassy track for 500 metres. Pass a farm and enter the fields, hedge left. Near the church, turn right, SW, and head for the churchyard. Go through the cemetary and head SW along the church access lane.

Cross over the tarmac Fox Hill and follow the footpath west, Sconch Beck left. The path merges with Mendham Lane / Sandy Lane. Continue west up the narrow hill. Turn left towards Target Hill and head SW for 360 metres.

Turn right, NW, into Down's Farm Lane and head for the farm buildings. At the farm buildings, use the stile to enter the field, right, NE. Head NE, perimeter fence right. If the stile is still broken, you can use the earlier field entrance and head NE, perimeter, fence left. Cross the next stile into the woodland Angle's Way, waterway left and woods right.

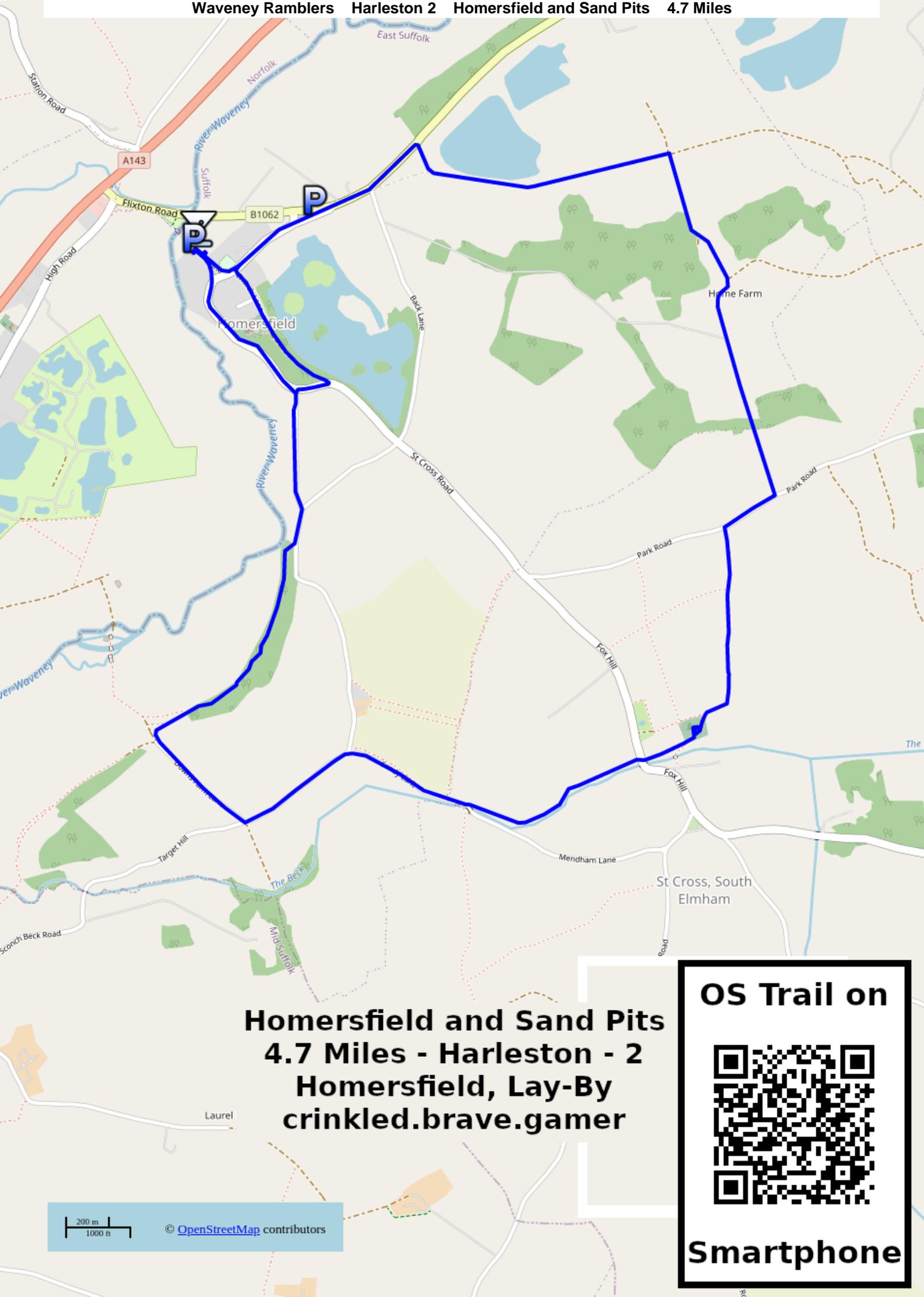
The woodland path bends north and joins Mendham Lane. Turn left and head north along Mendham Lane, river left. Ignore the right turn. Bear left and continue north.

At St Cross Road there are two options.

- 1) Continue NW into Homersfield along the tarmac lane, river left.
- 2) Turn right, east, and soon left, NW, into the community maintained woodland, lake right. Go past the church.

In the village, bear right and head NE back to the lay-by.

The Black Swan is a useful watering hole (closed in the afternoons).



**Homersfield and Sand Pits  
4.7 Miles - Harleston - 2  
Homersfield, Lay-By  
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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 3 Brockdish and Angles Way

OS Map: X 230 Track: [TM 21255 79607](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 5 Miles Updated: 2018

Meet at the triangular park opposite Brockdish Village Hall at the south end of Grove Road.  
Head south along Syleham Road towards the river and mill, farm left.  
Cross the river into Suffolk. Turn left, east for a few metres then turn left onto a footpath, NE.  
Cross a bridge and go into the meadow. Head NE, not climbing or dropping to the NE perimeter.  
Turn right, SE, uphill to the ridge. Drop down the other side bending right, south.  
Cross a stile into the next meadow or use the gate if it's open. Continue south to the road.  
Turn left, east, along Weybread Road. Take the first left along Hoxne Road, east then NE, uphill.  
Ignore a footpath to the left opposite concrete hard standing.  
200 metres further along, turn right, east, through a patch of woodland.  
Follow the field perimeter, east, hedge left. 200 metres east across the open land, turn right, south.  
Cross to the south side of the field and turn left, east, hedge right.  
The rights of way across these fields have not been reinstated.  
The alternative perimeter paths are convenient and avoid crop damage.  
Head east along a hedge lined path to the tarmac road.  
Turn right, SE, along Wingfield road. Take the first left, NE, towards Greengate farm.  
Opposite the farm, turn left, NW over a stile. Follow field perimeters, hedge left.  
The path bends NE and drops down. Go through a gap. Secateurs might be needed.  
Drop down and converge with the stream. The meadow path bends north and meets Wingfield Road.  
Cross the road with a left, right kink and enter the field, right by the second gate.  
Head NW, uphill, diagonally across the field. At the top, go through the stile and gap into the next field.  
Head NW, diagonally to the end of the hedge, opposite.  
Continue NW to the gate at the right end of the hedge on the far side.  
Go through and head NW, hedge right, downhill. At the bottom, drop down to the road through the gate.  
Turn left, west and left again SW for 60 metres.  
Cross the stile, SW, along the Angles' way, across 640 metres of open meadow, fence right.  
At the hedge and trees, kink right and left and continue SW through more meadows.  
There are several gates and stiles. Continue SW, river right.  
Cross the final meadow, west. Go through the gate and turn right, NW.  
Go through the farm buildings, NW then SW. Turn right NW along Common Lane.  
At The Street, turn left to return to the village hall.

The Old King's Head (Italian menu) is 250 metres east of the village hall.



**Brockdish and Angles Way  
5 Miles - Harleston - 3  
Brockdish, Village Hall  
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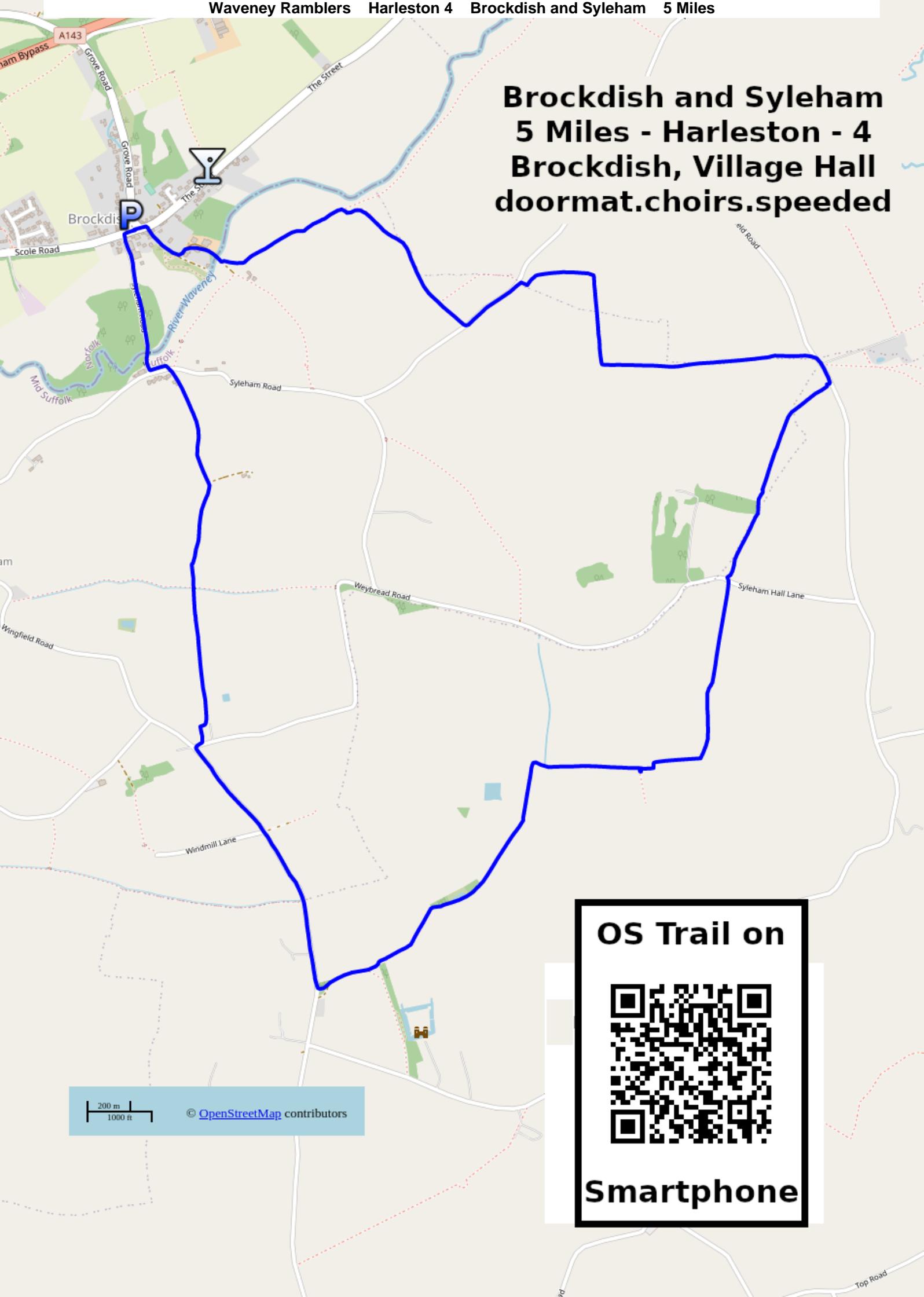
# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 4 Brockdish and Syleham

OS Map: X 230 Track: [TM 21255 79607](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 5 Miles Updated: 2018

Meet at the little park opposite the village hall at the south end of Grove Road.  
Head south along Syleham Road, farm left, towards the river and mill.  
Cross the river and at the T junction, turn left, east, along Syleham Road for 60 metres.  
Take the first right, SE, uphill on a concrete track.  
When the concrete bends left, continue south, hedge right.  
Cross an open field, south and continue south, hedge left across the next.  
The path kinks right and left and emerges on the Weybread Road. Turn right, west for a few paces.  
Turn left, SE, into Wingfield Road for 800 metres.  
Opposite a gravel drive and just after a transformer up a power pole, turn left, east through trees.  
After only 30 metres, the path joins the drive to Green Farm. Head NE.  
At the end of the drive, kink left and right over a stile and head NE, hedge right.  
At the end of the hedge, cross the open field NE towards a small copse.  
On this leg, look right and behind (south) to see the ruins of Wingfield castle in the distance.  
Head along the right hand perimeter to the end of the copse.  
Cross the open field, NE, towards the far corner. Go through the gap and head more north, hedge right.  
After 180 metres, turn right, east, and head across another open field.  
At the far side, continue east, hedge left. The path kinks left and right. Continue east.  
At the far hedge, turn left, NE and soon north, hedge right, all the way to Syleham Hall Lane.  
Cross the tarmac over stiles and head a little east of north across the grazing meadow.  
To avoid the cattle pass the pond on either side. Head for the north boundary to the right of the belt of trees.  
Cross a stile and head a little east of north across another open field, roughly following the power poles.  
At the third power pole, bend right, NE and head for the left boundary of the buildings.  
Emerge onto the tarmac and turn left, NW. Follow Wingfield Road, NW, for 100 metres.  
Turn left, west, along a grassy path, hedge left and fence right. The footpath signpost is in the wrong place.  
Continue west, hedge left.  
Turn right, north, to pass a small copse and pool, left.  
At the north perimeter, turn left, west, fences and hedge right.  
Here, the rights of way are not usually reinstated, so these last steps minimise crop damage.  
Head west through a small wood to join the road. Turn left, SW.  
After 200 metres, opposite concrete hard standing, turn right, NE, hedge right.  
Follow the path down the hill.  
The path bends left, SW, then kinks right and left to join the Angles' Way close to the river.  
Follow the path, SW, through several gates and stiles with the river on the right.  
In the last field the path bends right, west. Go through the gate into Common Lane and head right, NW.  
Go through the farm buildings and continue SW, then NW, up to The Street.  
Turn left, west, to return to the park and village hall 50 metres away.

The Old King's Head (italian menu) is 250 metres east of the village hall.

# Brockdish and Syleham 5 Miles - Harleston - 4 Brockdish, Village Hall doormat.choirs.speeded



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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 5 Harleston West

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Meet in the NW corner of the East of England Co-op car Park.

Head west out the car park into Padock Road, fire station left.

At the west end of the road, turn right, north, along Weavers' Croft. The road bends left, west.

At the T-junction, turn left, south, along The Street and immediately right, west, into the Bunn's Lane foot and cycle path.

Go all the way to the end of Bunn's Lane. Turn right, north.

Take the first left, west, past the house with the arched window along the gravel farm track.

At the farm gate, kink right and left. Head west, hedge left to the end of the field.

Cross under power lines. Turn right, north, and cross under the power lines again.

At the bottom, turn left, west, and kink right and left through the gap and head west, hedge left, under power lines.

Cross the stile into a paddock, today with three horses and epic amounts of horse poo, fortunetely quite dry.

Head west, hedge left for 50 metres. Turn left, south, over a stile and head south, hedge right, under power lines.

At the top of the field, kink through the gap over a sleeper bridge and continue south, hedge right.

Keep right across the meadow. Cross under two sets of power lines and head for the gate before the barns. Go through.

The concrete track kinks left and right, south, through the farm buildings. Ignore the path, south, straight ahead.

Turn right, west, along White House Farm Lane. At the T-junction, bear left, south, along Croft Road, Poplars Farm, left.

Ignore a footpath to the right. At Rushall Road, bear fight, SW, for 50 metres towards Rushall and Dickleburgh.

Turn left, south, at the first house along their gravel drive. Cross the footbridge. Head south, hedge right.

At the field boundary, cross the sleeper bridge and turn right, hedge right. Head west to Upper Harman's Lane.

Turn left, south for 50 metres. At the power pole and footpath sign, turn left, east, across the open field.

Cross the stile and continue east, fence left, barns ahead.

Go east through a kissing gate (inquisitive friendly cattle) and head east, fence left.

At the east end of the field, leave by the kissing gate 30 metres south of the left perimeter.

Turn left, north, along Starston Lane for 15 metres. Turn right, east, at the footpath sign, hedge right.

Today the footpath was very overgrown but over the hedge was a wide mown verge. Consider following this instead.

At the east end of the field, go through the gap and turn right, south, for 50 metres.

Turn left, east, across the open field. Use the reinstated path or aim for the power pole with the diagonal guy line.

At the power pole, bear right, SE, hedge left. Go through the gap and continue SE, hedge left.

Branch left, SE, into a hedged footpath. Head south past three or four houses.

Don't follow the tarmac left. Instead, head south then SW down the fenced footpath which soon bends SE.

Turn left, NE, along Needham Road. Opposite number 28, turn right, south, alley, fence right, hedge left.

Continue south over a drive to some houses. Continue south along the field perimeter, hedge left.

Cross the stile. Go down the steps. Cross the A143. Turn right for a few paces then head SW down the sloping bank.

At Well's Lane, head left, east, to meet the B1116, river views right.

It may be safer to keep left along this leg, especially at the junction. Head right, SE, along the B1116 for 80 metres.

Before Mendham Low Road, turn left, north, back towards the A143, uphill.

Cross the A143 and head north over the open field. The water tower will be to your right.

At Spirkett's Lane, turn left, west for 70 metres, then first right, north, hedge left.

Continue a little east of north all the way to central Harleston. The footpath merges with a road. Continue north.

Turn left, NW, along Exchange Street. Turn right, NE, along The Thoroughfare.

Turn left, NW, past the Adnam's Shop. Continue NW into the car park of the East of England Co-op.

Keep left in the car park and head back to the meeting place in the NW corner.

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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 6 Weybread and Harleston

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Park in Grinder's Lane. Head west.

Cross the B1116 Weybread and Fressingfield road and continue west.

Cross the Wingfield and Syleham road and continue NW into Watermill Lane, lakes both sides.

At a Y junction, take the right hand branch, NW, into the grounds of Mill House and Watermill Cottage.

The path bends right, north, and crosses the mill race.

Cross the next bridge dedicated to Sheila Smith, a rambler who helped create the Angle's Way in 1989.

In the meadow, head north and cross the bridge, NE. Alternatively follow a diagonal NE.

Both routes meet at a kissing gate at the NE corner of the field. Go through and cross the tarmac.

Head up some steps and climb the slope, NE, up to the A143. Cross this busy road.

Head up some steps and cross the stile. Head north along the field perimeter, fence right and under power lines.

At the houses continue north. Cross a paved drive and continue north.

At Needham Road (tarmac) turn left, west. Look out for house number 50 on the right and turn right, north.

The path kinks right into a residential cul-de-sac. Head north and soon NW back to the field perimeter.

Head north, hedge right and soon NW. At the next field, go through the gap and head NW, hedge right.

When the power lines converge with the hedge, turn left, west along the re-instated path across the open field.

If the path hasn't been reinstated, head west along tractor tracks aiming the the right hand of three large trees.

Cross into the next field and head west, hedge right and follow the twin power lines.

At Starston Lane (tarmac), cross over with a left, right kink. Continue west through the kissing gate, fence right.

Aim for the next kissing gate and go through. Head west, hedge right and soon fence right.

At the end of the field, cross the stile and head west across the open field.

At Upper Harman's Lane (tarmac) turn left, south. Ignore the path west.

The lane bends left, SE. Turn right, signposted "Byroad" and head SW along Mather Lane.

Take the first left. SE, into Upper Burnthouse Lane (cul-de-sac).

At the end, cross the A143 and continue SE along a tarmac footpath (Burnthouse Lane).

At High Road, the old A143, cross over into Mill Lane and continue SE and soon south.

At the mill, the road bends SE.

At the bridleway, turn left, east towards Instead Hall Farm.

Opposite the last barn, turn left, north, through a gate.

Follow the wide track north, fenced both sides, power lines left.

The path bends right, NE, over a bridge.

Where four fields meet, go west through the small gate.

Follow the meadow perimeter, NW, hedge left, meadow right and a wooded hill is further away on the right.

Continue NE, woods left and meadow right. Emerge onto Watermill Lane (tarmac), NE.

Ignore the path to the south. Continue east. Ignore a second footpath south.

Merge with the outward bound route and head SE along Watermill Lane.

Cross the Syleham and Wingfield road and continue SE.

Cross the B1116, Fressingfield and Weybread road and continue east back to the parking place.

Pubs: The Red Lion in Needham, 2 miles, and the Old Kings Head in Brockdish, 3 miles. Harleston is a mile north.

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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 7 Homersfield Alburgh Wortwell

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 28707 85757](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 5.1 Miles Updated: 2024

Meet at the Homersfield lay-by.

Head SW into the village.

Opposite the children's play area turn left, SE, towards and past the church, SE, wood right, lake left.

Turn right, west, onto the tarmac St Cross Road.

At the first junction turn left, south, signposted Angle's Way. The sign points into the field but stay on the tarmac.

Continue south, river views right, until a patch of woodland. Turn right onto the woodland path and head south.

At the end of the woodland, cross the stile and head west, fence left.

At the end of the field, bear right, NW, and cross the stile. Continue NW, ditch right. Aim for the footbridge.

Cross three bridges into Norfolk and pass the mill, always heading north.

Before a brick wall on the right, turn left, west, leaving the barns behind. Head west for 85 metres.

Turn right, NE, over s stile into a field, hedge right.

After 75 metres, if possible, follow a diagonal path left, NW.

If the path is missing, continue NE along the field perimeter.

At the field corner go left, west, hedge right, holiday cabins right, and rejoin the missing diagonal path.

At the end of the field, cross the stile and head west through the mobile homes, lakes both sides.

Head west towards Wortwell and the Bell Inn. There's a small car park here; a possible start point for small groups.

Head west past the Bell along the High Road. Take the path left, south, after the pub garden and car park.

Cross the stile and head south across the field, hedge right and under power lines.

Cross the stile onto the tarmac. Turn right. Head SW.

Opposite Bridge Fen, turn right off the tarmac, uphill, hedge both sides along a footpath.

At the field, the path bends left, right, left and finally right, NW, hedge left.

This is roughly the half way mark. Nice views. Merge with a larger farm track. Head NW to the High Road.

Turn right, NE, towards Wortwell.

Just after Oak Hill, turn left, NW. At the field, the path bends right, NE, hedge right.

At the corner, turn left, NW, hedge right. Don't enter the sports fields and village hall grounds.

Cross the busy A143 and head north along a fenced path and soon across the open field, no hedges.

At the end, cross the stile and enter the wood, downhill to a bridge.

Cross the beck and follow the gated footpath, fenced both sides. Head north.

After a patch of woodland, go through the gate and head north along a gravel farmland track.

At the T junction, turn right, east, along a gravel avenue of oak trees.

At the tarmac cross over with a right, left kink. Head east, tree right and, after the two seats, hedge left.

Cross the sleeper bridge and turn left, north. The path soon bends right, east, hedge left, fence right.

At the tarmac, turn right and head downhill. There are nice views.

Turn right past the Dove farm shop and gallery. Head SW and cross the busy A143 using the traffic island.

Head SW then left, south, off the A143 along the B1062.

Head south, then east along the B1062. Ignore the turn to Wortwell. Take the next right, SE, into the picnic area.

Cross the oldest concrete bridge in Great Britain and head past the Black Swan.

At the village sign, bear left, NE, back towards the lay-by.

Refreshments: Black Swan, Dove Farm Shop and the Wortwell Bell.

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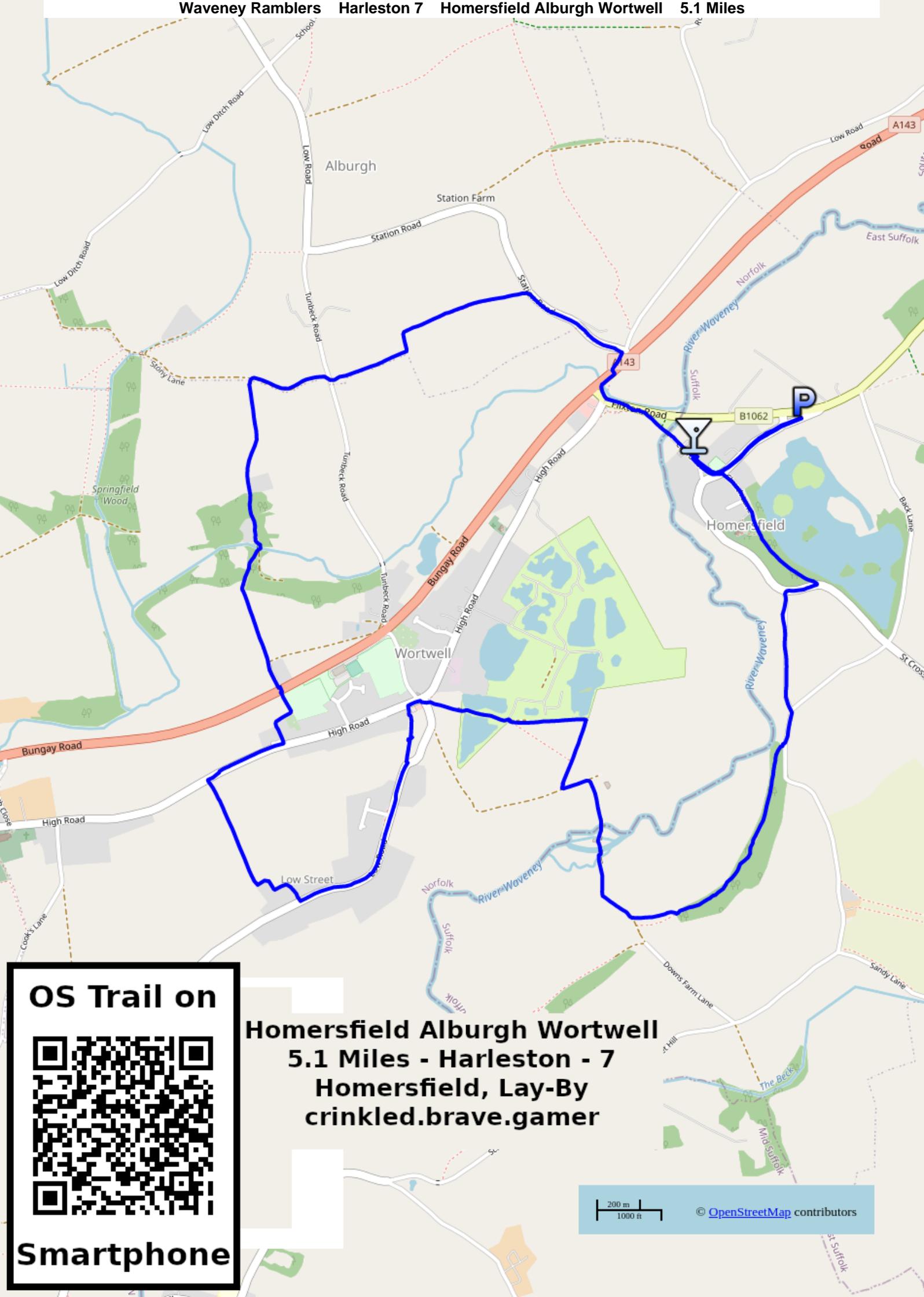
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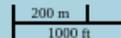


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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 8 Homersfield and Denton

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 28707 85757](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 5.3 Miles Updated: 2018

Meet at the Homersfield lay-by off the B1062.

Head SW towards the village.

At the village sign, bear right, NW, towards the Black Swan (Refreshments - closed in the afternoon).

After the pub, head NW to the B1062, crossing the oldest concrete bridge in Great Britain. Continue NW.

At the busy A143, turn right, NE. Cross the road at the traffic island.

Head right, NE, past the Dove tea rooms and Farmer's Kitchen.

Head NE and cross Station Road. Head into Low Road, NE, and approach the converted railway engine sheds.

Opposite the engine sheds, turn left, north, up the drive. Don't turn left into Holbrook Cottage.

Turn left at an easily missed un-gated gap up the bank with wooden railings right. Go up some steps.

At the field, bear right, north, hedge right, along the perimeter of the garden.

After the house, the path bends NW, hedge right. At the first hedge gap, kink right and left. Head NW, hedge left.

At the end of the field, cross the sleeper bridge, north. The path bends right, then left. Head west of north, hedge right.

At the end of the field, at a T junction, continue north, hedge left.

At the first house continue north onto the driveway. The drive bends NW, then north again.

At Denton Road, tarmac, cross over. The woodland track ahead soon bends NE.

At drainage ditches don't take the first path to the left. Continue NE across a wider sleeper bridge.

Just after the wide sleeper bridge, turn left, NW.

This path, NW, crosses a sleeper bridge and leads to a wide grassy area with mature trees on both sides.

Ignore a path to the right. The path bends left, more west. Ignore a second path to the left over a sleeper bridge.

If there's a diagonal path, reinstated to the right, take this. Otherwise head NW, hedge left.

At the end of the field, turn right, a little east of north and continue hedge and trees left.

Go through the gap. The diagonal path, if present, re-joins here.

Head a little east of north and continue hedge and trees left. There's a nice valley view.

At the bottom of the dip, kink left and right and cross the wooden footbridge, north.

Head north uphill. The path divides. Take the left branch through a gate or stile into the meadow, hedge right.

Pass the pond, left. Continue north, hedge right. Look for a right turn up the bank, over a stile and through the hedge.

Head a little south of east over the open field. Steer 104 degrees if the path has not been reinstated.

At the gap in the hedge, go through and kink right and left. Then continue on the same bearing.

At the tarmac, cross over into Middle Road and head SE.

At the T junction, turn right, south following the power lines which also head south.

At the bottom of the dip, cross the road and stream and head south into Church Hill.

The road bends right, SW, and left, south, and finally right, west.

When the tarmac bends south again, turn off and head west on the wide gravel farm access road.

After the last barn, the wide gravel track reverts to a grassy field perimeter path, west, hedge left.

At the end of the field, turn left, south, hedge left. This is now re-tracing the outward walk.

At the end of the field, the path bends right. After 20 metres turn left, south, over the sleeper bridge.

Cross the farm access track and head south, hedge right. There are good views over the Waveney Valley.

Just before the perimeter bends left, kink right and left through the hedge gap. Continue south, hedge left.

Follow the garden perimeter, hedge left. Turn left down some steps and head down the bank, railings left.

At the drive, head right, downhill towards the tarmac road. Turn right, SW towards the Dove tea rooms.

Cross the busy A143 using the traffic island. Head right, SW then turn left, south onto the B1062.

Don't take the road towards Wortwell. Head SE. Cross the B1062 and turn right into the picnic area, SE.

Re-cross the oldest concrete bridge. Pass the pub. Bear left at the village sign, NE. Return to the layby.

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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 9 Brockdish North

OS Map: X 230 Track: [TM 21255 79607](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 5.6 Miles Updated: 2018

Meet in the tiny park across the road from the village Hall.

Head north along Grove Road.

Use the under-bridge to cross the A143, NW.

Take the first right, NE. Don't go through the gates. Go up the bank and follow the field perimeter, NE, hedge right.

The perimeter path bends left, north. Kink right and left, north, then NW, along a hedged path. ditch left.

At the end of the field near four mature oaks, turn left, west, no hedges, ditch right.

The trail bends right, north, hedge right.

At the end of the field, turn right, east, and head past a row of mature oak trees on the right.

Turn left, north, across a sleeper bridge into the woodland. Head north keeping to the left edge of the wood.

Cross a sleeper bridge and leave the woodland. Continue north, hedge and ditch left.

Walk past a patch of woodland, 30 metres away on the left. A short way past the north boundary, turn left, west.

The path heads west about 20 metres from the woodland perimeter.

Level with the western edge of the wood, the path bends right, NW, diagonally across the field.

At the NW hedgerow corner, cross the sleeper bridge, north and turn left, west, hedge left.

When the hedge, left ends, continue west over the open field towards the footpath signpost.

At the signpost, cross the sleeper bridge and turn left, south, hedge left.

Continue south into the woodland.

At the southern end of the wood, turn left, east. There is a woodland path or use the field perimeter instead.

After 45 metres east, turn right, south, woodland left.

Follow the path left, east, still skirting the woodland, left.

At the end of the woodland, turn right, south, hedge left.

Kink south through the gap, hedge left.

At the junction, turn right, west and pass oak trees on the left.

At the woodland go straight ahead, SW, woodland right.

At the tarmac Ingram's Road, continue west, hedge right, trees left.

Ignore the right turn to Rushall. Head west towards Thorpe Abbots.

Take the first left, south, along the grassy tree-lined Mormor Lane.

Continue south ignoring several field access gaps. The track bends a little right, more SW.

At the house continue SW along the lane.

At the T junction, turn left, east along the tarmac.

Take the first right, south, along a gravel lane. Cross under power lines.

Cross the A143. On the far side, head south for a few paces then sharp left, NE, parallel with the A143.

The church is in view to the right.

Turn right through a tall gate and head SE past rusty goal posts, diagonally across the field.

Aim for a gap/gate diagonally across the field with the church to the left.

Before the gate/gap, turn left, NE, either through the churchyard or on the field perimeter path. fence right.

Come out onto Church Road and head right, SE.

At Scole Road, the old A143, turn left, east, and head back to the little park in Brockdish.

From the park, the Old King's Head is about 5 minutes further east. They have an Italian menu.

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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 10 Homersfield and Alburgh

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 28707 85757](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 6.5 Miles Updated: 2018

Meet at the Homersfield lay-by off the B1062. There are shorter and longer versions of this walk.

Head SW towards the village.

At the village sign, bear right, NW, towards the Black Swan (Refreshments - closed in the afternoon).

After the pub, head NW to the B1062, crossing the oldest concrete bridge in Great Britain. Continue NW.

At the busy A143, turn right, NE. Cross the road at the traffic island.

Head right, NE, past the Dove tea rooms and Farmer's Kitchen.

Head NE and cross Station Road. Head into Low Road, NE, and approach the converted railway engine sheds.

Opposite the engine sheds, turn left, north, up the drive. Don't turn left into Holbrook Cottage.

Turn left at an easily missed un-gated gap up the bank with wooden railings right. Go up some steps.

At the field, bear right, north, hedge right, along the perimeter of the garden.

After the house, the path bends NW, hedge right. At the first hedge gap, kink right and left. Head NW, hedge left.

At the end of the field, cross the sleeper bridge, north. The path bends right, then left. Head west of north, hedge right.

At the end of the field, at a T junction, continue north, hedge left.

At the first house continue north onto the driveway. The drive bends NW, then north again.

At Denton Road (tarmac) cross over. The woodland track ahead soon bends NE.

SHORTER WALK - At drainage ditches take the first path to the left, west, all the way to Church Road.

At Church Road, turn right then first left, SW. Turn right, NW, along The Street for 150 metres.

Turn left along the gravel Vinegar Lane. This soon dwindles to a gated footpath.

Head SW to the end of this path. Cross two fields, SW. At the last field, steer 256 degrees (a bit south of west).

At the tarmac, turn left, south, along Burntoak Lane.

LONGER WALK - At drainage ditches don't take the first path to the left. Continue NE across a wider sleeper bridge.

Just after the wide sleeper bridge, turn left, NW.

This path, NW, crosses a sleeper bridge and leads to a wide grassy area with mature trees on both sides.

Ignore a path to the right. The path bends left, more west. Ignore a path to the left over a sleeper bridge.

Cross Payness Hill (tarmac) with a right, left kink. Head west along a field perimeter, trees left for 190 metres.

Turn left, south and soon SW past buildings, left. At The Street, turn left, SE for 70 metres.

Turn right through a gate and follow the field perimeter, SW, hedge left to the bottom of the dip.

Turn right, west, and follow the perimeter, ditch right. Continue west and later SW to Burntoak Lane. Go left, SE.

BOTH WALKS - Head south and SE to Low Ditch Road.

SHORTER WALK - Turn left, east, along Low Ditch Road. After 360 metres (one field) turn right, SE, along a footpath.

The path bends right, east and drops down to join Stony Lane.

LONGER WALK - Ignore Low Ditch Road and continue south for 180 metres.

Turn left, east, and follow the field perimeter, hedge left. At the end of the field head left, NE to join Stony Lane.

BOTH WALKS - Head uphill, east, along Stony Lane, a gravel oak tree lined avenue.

At the tarmac cross over with a right, left kink. Head east, tree right and, after the two seats, hedge left.

Cross the sleeper bridge and turn left, north. The path soon bends right, east, hedge left, fence right.

At the tarmac, turn right and head downhill along Station Road. There are nice views.

Turn right past the Dove farm shop and gallery. Head SW and cross the busy A143 using the traffic island.

Head SW then left, south, off the A143 along the B1062.

Head south, then east along the B1062. Ignore the turn to Wortwell. Take the next right, SE, into the picnic area.

Cross the oldest concrete bridge in Great Britain and head past the Black Swan (refreshments, closed in the afternoon).

At the village sign, bear left, NE, back towards the lay-by.

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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 11 Homersfield and Mendham

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 28707 85757](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 6 Miles Updated: 2018

Park in the B1062 lay-by close to Homersfield.

Head SW into the village. At the village sign, keep left and head SW. The lane bends south then SE. At the junction, bear right, south, and walk 430 metres. Ignore the road to the left.

Turn right, west, onto the Angle's Way path. The woodland track immediately bends south and later SW. At the end of the wood, the right of way is over the stile and along the field perimeter, fence left. This leads to a broken and dangerous stile. Cross over and head left, SE past the farm buildings. To avoid the broken stile, at the end of the woodland, follow the same field perimeter, fence right. Both routes emerge at the north end of Downs Farm Lane.

Cross the lane and take the footpath, SW, past the farm buildings.

The path through grazing gradually bends south.

At the lowest point, cross the bridge and continue SW through more meadows until you reach Sconch Beck Road. The map shows an alternative (not a right of way). This was to avoid a bull showing signs of aggression.

At the road, turn right, west, for 150 metres or rather more if you are not comfort-a-bull with the official route.

Turn left, almost doubling back and head SE towards Walsham Hall and Laurel Farm.

The tarmac dwindles to a grassy track and bends left, east, towards Weston House Farm.

Head through the middle of the farm where the track bends right, SE.

After 300 metres turn left, NE, back on tarmac. At the bottom of the dip, turn left, NW, grassy path, stream left.

In the third field, the path kinks left and right, crossing the stream. Continue NW, stream right. The path bends north.

At the road, turn left, NW, and 60 metres later, turn right, north, field perimeter, hedge right.

After 250 metres, there is a left branch across the open field. A finger post marks the junction.

Head west, uphill and aim to pass to the right of the buildings. This path has usually been reinstated.

At Mendham Lane, turn right, north and re-join your out-bound route.

Ignore the road to the right and continue north for another 350 metres.

For variety, take the right hand branch in the road and head east, woodland to the left.

After 100 metres, turn left, SW, into the woodland maintained by the local community.

Head past the church and join the residential road.

At the park and children's play area, turn right and head NE back to the lay-by.

Alternatively, go left, then right to the Black Swan for refreshments, popular with the Wednesday Waveney Ramblers.

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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 12 Wortwell and Harleston

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 27540 85036](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 6.2 Miles Updated: 2018

Park at the playing fields at the north end of Tunbeck Close opposite the Wortwell Bell. Head SW past Wortwell Community Centre. Head through the children's play area. Head SW, diagonally across the grassy field towards the largest tree. Cross the stile and continue SW, hedge left. The path bends left. Head down to the tarmac road. At the tarmac, turn right, SW.

After the Old School, Wortwell, turn left SE, on a wide gravel track. There's a transformer up a power pole. When the wide track kinks right into a field, keep left and head SE, hedge right. At the end of the field, the path bends left, right, left and right again. Drop down to the tarmac and turn right, SW. There are good views over the Waveney flood plain, left. After substantial barns and silos, turn right up a steep bank. Follow the power lines uphill, NW and later north, field boundary left. Climb the hill and look behind for good views. Cross under two sets of power lines.

At the tarmac, turn sharp left, SW, barns right. Turn right off the tarmac, cross under power lines and head towards the church, hedge right. Go through the gate into the churchyard and head north towards a large yew tree just before the church. Turn left, SW, past grave stones commemorating Rose May Cotton and Violet Ruth Cotton. Enter a woodland path across a tiny sleeper bridge and head SW, ditch left, nice garden right. After the woodland, the trail path bends left, south and soon right, SW again, hedge both sides. Whoever maintains this path has done a good job! Cross a sleeper bridge and continue almost west.

Head west across an open field towards prominent silos and small wind turbines in the distance, no hedges. Before the A143, turn left, south, no hedges. Aim for the woodland left of a house. Pass the woodland, trees right. After the garden perimeter, bear right over the open field. Aim the the gap just right of a power pole with two diagonal guy lines. Turn right, west along the Green Lane cul-de-sac. Cross the A143 and continue west along Green Lane. At a metal gate and dog poo bin, turn right, north, houses left. At the end of the houses continue north, fence right, no hedges. Crest the hill and admire the views. Drop down to the old A143. Turn right, east, soon NE, along the roadside footpath.

Turn left into Hallwong Lane. Head north under power lines. Turn left, west, and cross the bridge with brick parapets. Take the first turning right, north, uphill with oak trees right. At the tarmac, turn right, east, along Gawdy Lane. At the end of Gawdy Lane, turn left, NW, towards Alburgh. Opposite the first house, turn right, NE, and follow the power lines uphill, no hedges. Continue NE, hedge left. Continue NE on a wider gravel track, oak trees right. The track drops down into woodland. Near the bottom, turn left, north, through a belt of tall poplar trees. At the field, turn right, east, and soon left, north, woodland right. Cross the sleeper bridge and go through the gap, north, hedge right. Bend round to the right, east. Bear right onto Sandy Lane and cross the ford. Use the footbridge if the water is flowing. Head uphill, roughly east.

Take the first right, south, on a wide gravel lane, hedge left. Go through the gate into woodland and use the footpath, south, parallel with and left of the main lane. Cross the footbridge over the stream, south. Bear right along the fenced path, SW. Avoid the wider track south. Head uphill to the open field. Head east of south across the field towards Wortwell, no hedges. At the houses kink left through the fence gap and head for the A143. Cross with care and head east of south, hedge left. At the large tree, turn left over the stile into the playing fields. Head for the children's play area. At the tarmac, turn left and skirt the Community Centre. Head east back to the car park.

Refreshments: Wortwell Bell and a mile east, the Black Swan.

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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 13 Brockdish and Needham

OS Map: X 230 Track: [TM 21255 79607](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 7.7 Miles Updated: 2018

Meet at the little park opposite the village hall in Brocksish.

Head east along the main road and immediately right, SE, into Common Lane.

Bend left and right, SE, through the farm buildings.

Cross the Waveney into Suffolk and immediately turn left, east, through a small gate into the meadow.

At the end of the meadow, head NE for 1.3 miles.

Stay near the river. Don't climb the hill. Along this leg you will pass ...

power lines, a stile, a path right over a stile and footbridge (ignore this),

a stile, a picnic bench, a sleeper bridge, a woodland track, more meadow,

a gate, another gate, yet another gate,

a right, left kink into a much more open meadow after about 0.8 miles, Head NE, hedge left.

marshy ground left, a gate and the final stile.

Cross the final stile onto the tarmac and head NE.

Ignore the gravel lane to "Instead Hall Farm".

Bear left, NW, towards the mill.

Cross the river and head north.

Ignore the path left, unless you want a shortcut to divert via the Red Lion.

Continue along Mill Lane, now NW.

At the old A143, the Red Lion is to the left (if you diverted). Head NW along Burnthouse Lane.

Cross the A143 Needham and Brockdish bypass. Continue NW along Upper Burnthouse Lane.

Turn left, SW along Upper Brook Lane.

Close to a transformer up a power pole, turn right, NW across the open field, no hedges. Follow the power poles.

The path bends a little left, still NW. Cross the sleeper bridge, and follow the power lines, ditch right.

Continue as before towards trees when the power lines head away left.

At the trees turn right for only 18 metres. Look for a hidden gap, left, and a tiny stile into a garden. Head through.

Go past the house and along the drive a little north of west, hedge both sides.

At the west end, a footpath sign confirms this is the right of way.

At Upper Tumbil Lane (tarmac) turn right, roughly north, hedge left.

Take the first left into Hogsty Lane, roughly west, hedge both sides, potholed tarmac.

At the T-junction, turn left, west, along Burnthouse Lane.

At the transformer up a power pole, turn left, south, hedge left, under the power lines.

Before a patch of woodland, kink left and right over a sleeper bridge, south.

At this point, you can follow the longer orange track adding 1.4 miles to the walk. See Harleston Walk 9.

Cross a sleeper bridge into woodland, south, keep right.

Cross a sleeper bridge to leave the woodland. Turn right, west, hedge left.

Ignore the first gap, left, into the field. At the next, turn left, south, at a T-junction. Ditch left.

The path bends left, east, no hedges. At the oak tree, turn right, south, hedge and ditch right.

At a barn on the left, kink right and left over the watercourse and follow the field perimeter, SW, hedge left.

At Grove Road (tarmac) turn left down the bank. Ignore the left branch through metal gates.

Head left, SE, under the A143. Ignore Hall Road, left. Head south along Grove Road back to the little park.

Pubs: Old King's Head (Italian) in Brockdish and the Red Lion in Needham a mile east.

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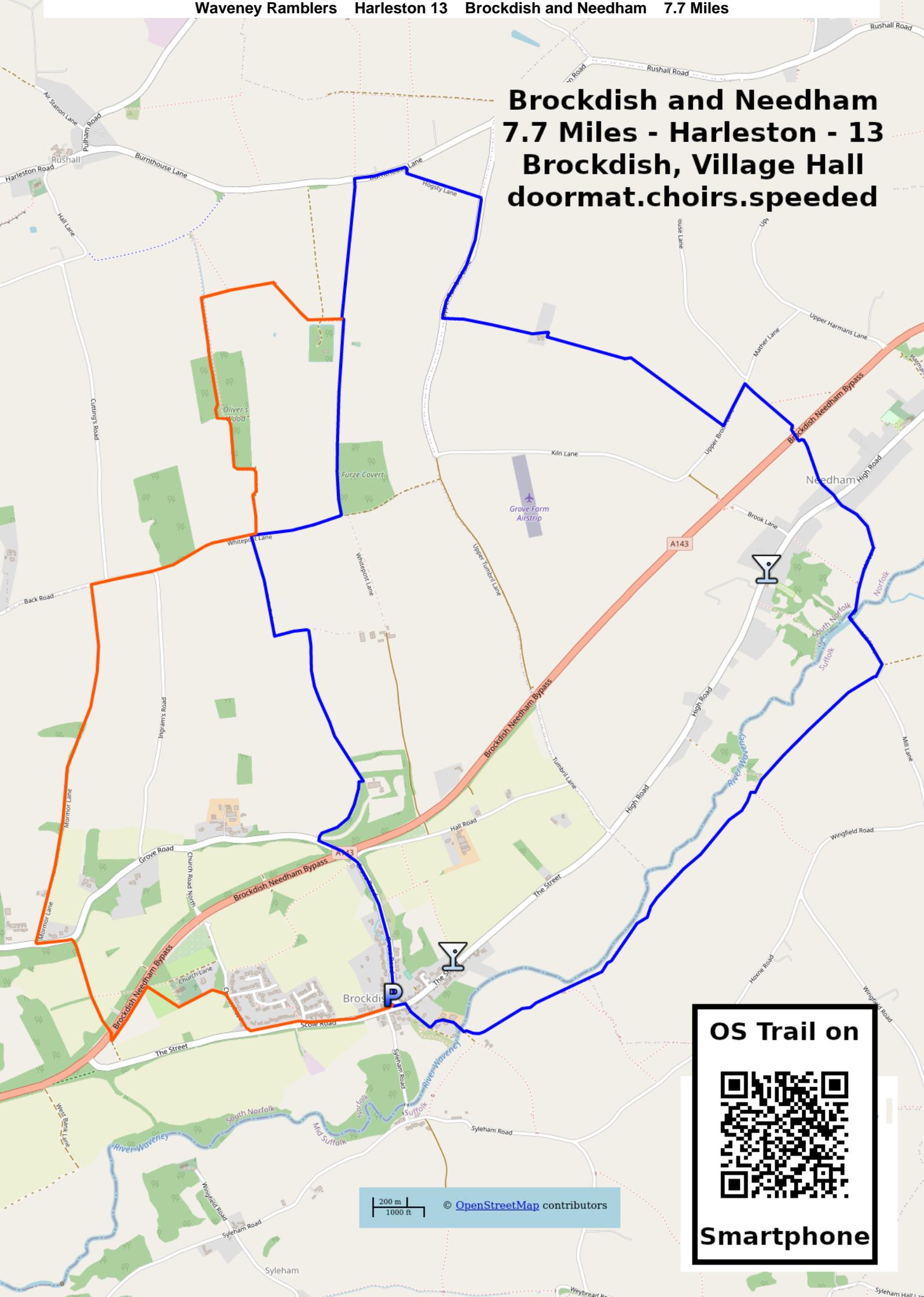
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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 14 Weybread Mendham Harleston

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 24672 81584](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 10 Miles Updated: 2018

Head west across two roads, then NW on Watermill lane. Branch left on the tarmac, west. Ignore the first footpath. As the tarmac bends SW, take the wide avenue left, south towards Hill Farm. Before the top, turn left, east, through the gate and follow the field perimeter, woods left. Ignore a path to the left. Enter the woodland. Turn right, south, on one of two woodland paths. There are nurseries, left and open fields, right. Leave the woodland and turn left, south, along the field perimeter, hedge left. At the metalled road, continue south. Avoid the tarmac. Use permissive paths to the right of the road which bends left, SE. At the end of the permissive path, turn right, west, and skirt allotments. Turn left, south, still skirting. After 50 metres, turn right, west, hedge left, wind turbine ahead. By the turbine, turn left, south, hedge left. Keep left through a garden. At St Andrew's church, turn left, east, on gravel. At the tarmac, continue east. This is Church Road. Cross the B1116, east, into Middleton Farm Nurseries. Keep left, hedge left, polytunnels right. Go east into woodland. Keep left across more open land. Cross a footbridge. Go through the otter-proof gate. Turn left, north, lake right, fence left. Skirt the lake north. Don't cross the first bridge east. The track north now bends right, east, lake right. Leave the lakes by another otter gate. Head east along gravel. When the gravel bends south, continue east into woodland over a footbridge. Leave the wood across another bridge and head east across the open field. Steer 74 degrees if the path is missing. After 120 metres, turn left, north. Steer 355 degrees if the path is missing. At the north perimeter, turn right, east, hedge left. At the grass lane turn right, south and soon SE, hedge both sides. At the tarmac, turn left, east and soon NE. Before metal gates, kink left, north into the field and right, NE, hedge right. Sleeper bridge, NE, hedge right. Gap and broken stile, NE, hedge right. The path bends right, east, and drops down into the valley. Join the gravel drive and head east to the road, miniature railway left. Turn left, north, and join the B1123. Continue left, north towards Harleston. After the left bend, turn right, north, past Priory Barn. Kissing gate. Continue north. In wet winters, these meadows could flood. Before the gate north, turn right through the gate east. After the gate, follow the grassy track, fences both sides. The track bends right, east and soon north again. Use the footbridge and stile to enter the open meadow. Head NE across the meadow, no fences, towards another footbridge. Cross the gated bridge. Continue NE. Cross a bridge made of concrete sleepers, still NE. Cross another gated bridge, NE. Head for a five bar gate, NE. Close to the river, head for another five bar gate. Go through and turn right, east, ditch right. The field perimeter bends left, NE. Cross a gated bridge. Head left, north, fence right. Continue north over the open field towards a gate close to the church. Kissing gate. Continue north. Skirt the churchyard. At the church gate, turn right, east towards the Sir Alfred Munnings pub. Turn left onto The Street, pub right. Head north and soon west. Cross the Wavemey. After a smaller bridge, turn right over a stile, steps down and a sleeper bridge and head NW, diagonally across the meadow. In the far corner, cross the stile and head right, north on the tarmac for 80 metres. Turn left, west, uphill, hedge right, Angles way. After a steady climb, turn right, NE, ditch right and head for Green Lane crossing an open field, no hedges. Continue NE, hedge right. At Green Lane, tarmac, cul-de-sac, turn left, west, past the well maintained USAAF war memorial. Continue west all the way to the centre of Harleston. Cross the A143. Go west down Jay's Green and into Straight Lane. At Broad Street, turn left, SW and then first right into Union Street. Cross The Thoroughfare and head right and first left past the Adnam's Store, NW into the East Of England Co-op car park. Keep left across the car park and back on a road, head west past the fire station. Turn left, south, into Weaver's Croft. Turn right, west, into Swan Lane past the police station. Go via the playing fields (shorter and nicer - see map) or continue west along a slightly busy Rushall Road for 700 metres. Take the footpath left, south. At the end of the field kink left and right over a sleeper bridge. Head south for 20 metres and then east across the open field. Follow the reinstated path or aim for the hedge corner power pole. At the power pole, head right, SE, hedge left. Go through the gap, SE, hedge left. Turn left, off the field, hedges both sides. Head south on tarmac. When the road bends left, continue south. The fenced path bends right, then left, SE. At Needham Road, turn left, east. Opposite number 28, turn right, south, hedge left, fence right. Cross the field, south, hedge left. After a stile and steps, cross the A134. Kink right and left down the slope and steps. Turn right and cross the tarmac to the field entrance. Go SW through a kissing gate and across the meadow. Cross the footbridge. Turn left, south, ditch left. Cross the footbridge south into Suffolk. Head past the mill. Bear left, SE. Continue SE along Watermill Lane, lakes both sides. Cross two bigger roads and return SE, then east to the car park.

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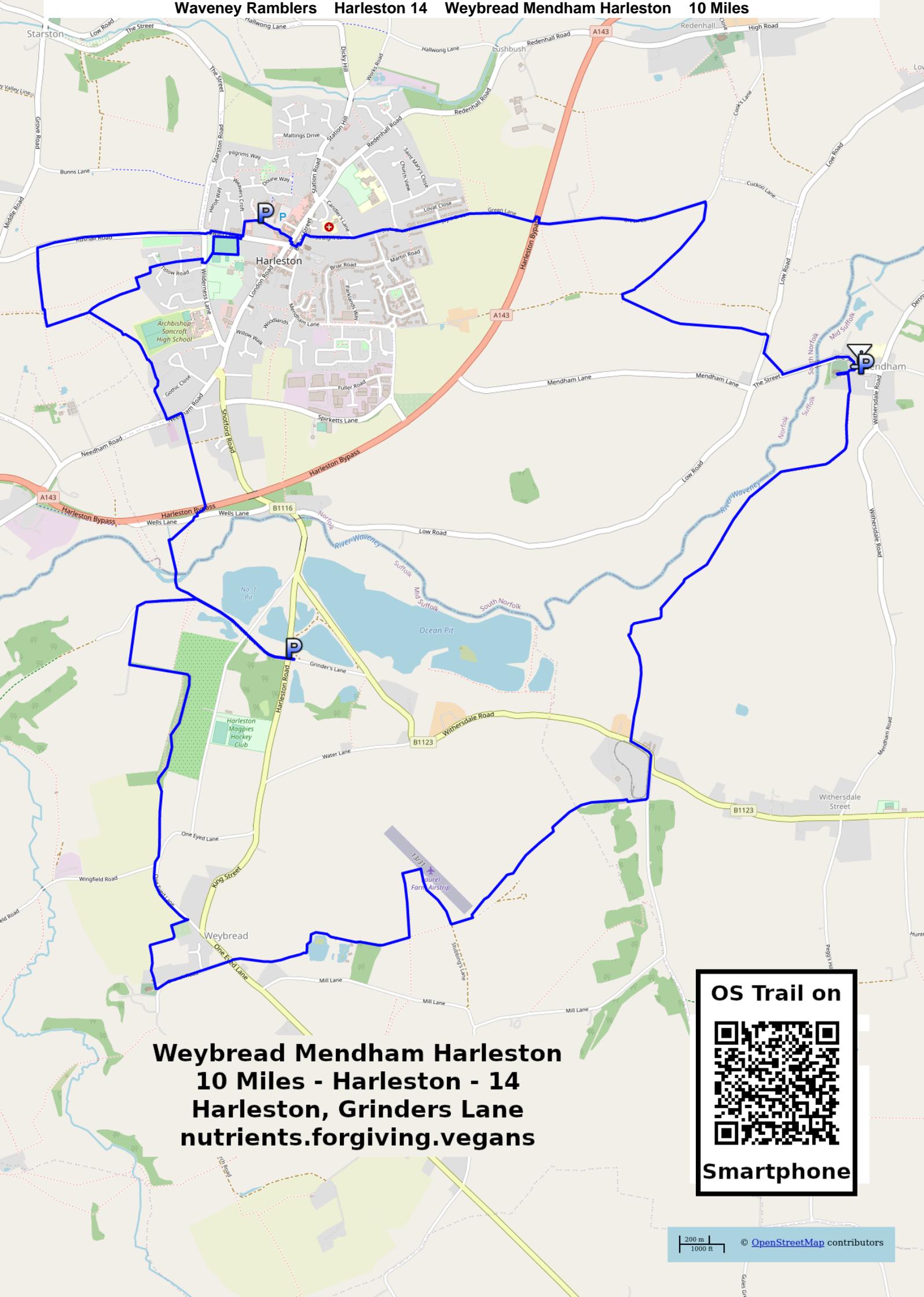
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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 15 Harleston North

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 24453 83475](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 10.2 Miles Updated: 2018

Park at the east end of Paddock Road or the SW corner of the East of England Co-Op. This walk has more tarmac than some but the lanes carry little traffic. Head east out of the co-op car park. Turn right, SW, along The Thoroughfare. Turn left, SE into Union Street. Turn left, NE, along Broad Street. Turn right, east, after the elegant bus shelter into Straight Lane (alley). Continue east along Jay's Green. At the end of the houses by the gate and dog poo bin, turn left, north. Pass the houses, left, and continue north, fence right. Crest the rise and admire the views. Drop down, north, to Redenhall Road. Turn right, east, and follow the roadside footpath soon NE. Turn left, north, towards Hallwong Lane. Turn left, west, and cross the bridge with brick parapets. Take the first field perimeter path right, north, trees right, uphill. At the tarmac, turn right, east, trees right. After 180 metres, turn left, north, towards the house. (Use the field perimeter, not the drive to the house). Skirt the house perimeter, hedge left. 40 metres after the house, turn right, NE, across an open field, no hedges towards Barns. At the junction with Church Lane, turn left, NW, towards Hardwick. Stay on this tree-lined road for 1.6 miles meandering NW, NE and north.

At the T-junction, turn left, west, into Clintergate Lane towards Starsted and Hardwick. At the T-junction, turn right, north, towards Hardwick for 130 metres. At the T-junction, turn left, west, towards Pulham St. Mary. This is Lonely Road. Head west for 640 metres. Just before the first house, turn left, roughly south and skirt the garden perimeter, hedge right. At the end of the garden, kink right and left and head SW, hedge right. Cross a sleeper bridge through the hedge and head SW, hedge left. At the end of the field, turn right, west for 60 metres. Turn left through the gap and left to double back, hedge now left. After 60 metres, go through the gap and turn right. Continue south, hedge right. At the field boundary, head south towards another tree-lined boundary, 30 metres south. Bear left, SE, round the field perimeter, trees right. Cross a sleeper bridge through a gap (rotten sleeper) and continue uphill, SE, hedge and trees left. At the corner, turn right, a little west of south, trees left. At the next corner, turn left, a little south of east east, hedge and ditch left. Bend left, NE, along the field perimeter, hedge and ditch left.

Soon kink left and right into Mull's Loke (track), NE, hedges both sides. Cross Hardwick Road and head east along Wood Lane for 380 metres. After a gate with "Owl Time" crafted into it, turn right, south, and double back, west, along the field perimeter. After 40 metres, turn left, roughly south, hedge right. Level with Starston Wood, kink left and right and head south, hedge and power lines right. Skirt Starston Hall and head south, hedge right. Cross a track and continue south, hedge right. Cross an open field, south, no hedges. Aim for the finger post and hedge gap. Cross a sleeper bridge through the gap. Head south, hedge left, farm buildings ahead. Cross the stile and continue south, hedge both sides. The path bends left, west. Bear right, SE, over a wobbly stile and cross the field diagonally. Cross a stile, a track and a gate and head SE, hedge right. The perimeter bends left, for 60 metres. Through a wide gate, turn right, south, hedge left. Cross a wooden footbridge. Go through an accordion gate. Head south over an open meadow, no hedges towards a gate, Cross the stile onto the farm lane. Turn left, east, along Low Road, downhill for 100 metres. Turn right, SW and soon west towards Starston village. Ignore the footpath, opposite. Follow Low Road for 300 metres, stream left. Cross a footbridge, south, into a meadow with park benches and picnic tables (lunch break perhaps). Head west and come out on the road. Turn right and re-cross the stream, then left, west, along The Street, towards the Pulhams. When the footpath ends, cross the road and look for a wooded track parallel with the road on the left. This track bends south towards a barn. Turn right, west, stream left. At a house, head left, south, over a footbridge into a paddock. Aim for the horse shelter. Head to the south perimeter and then left, east past epic piles of horse poo. Leave the paddock by the stile. Head east, hedge right. At the first gap, kink right and left through two gaps. Turn right, south, uphill, hedge right. At the field corner turn left, east, hedge right. Kink right and left to continue east on the drive from the farm. At the tarmac road, turn right, south. Take the first left, east, along Bunn's Lane. At the outskirts of Harleston, kink left and right to enter Weaver's Croft. Head east. Soon the roads bends right, south. Turn left, east, into Paddock Road. Head through the gap back into the Co-Op car park.

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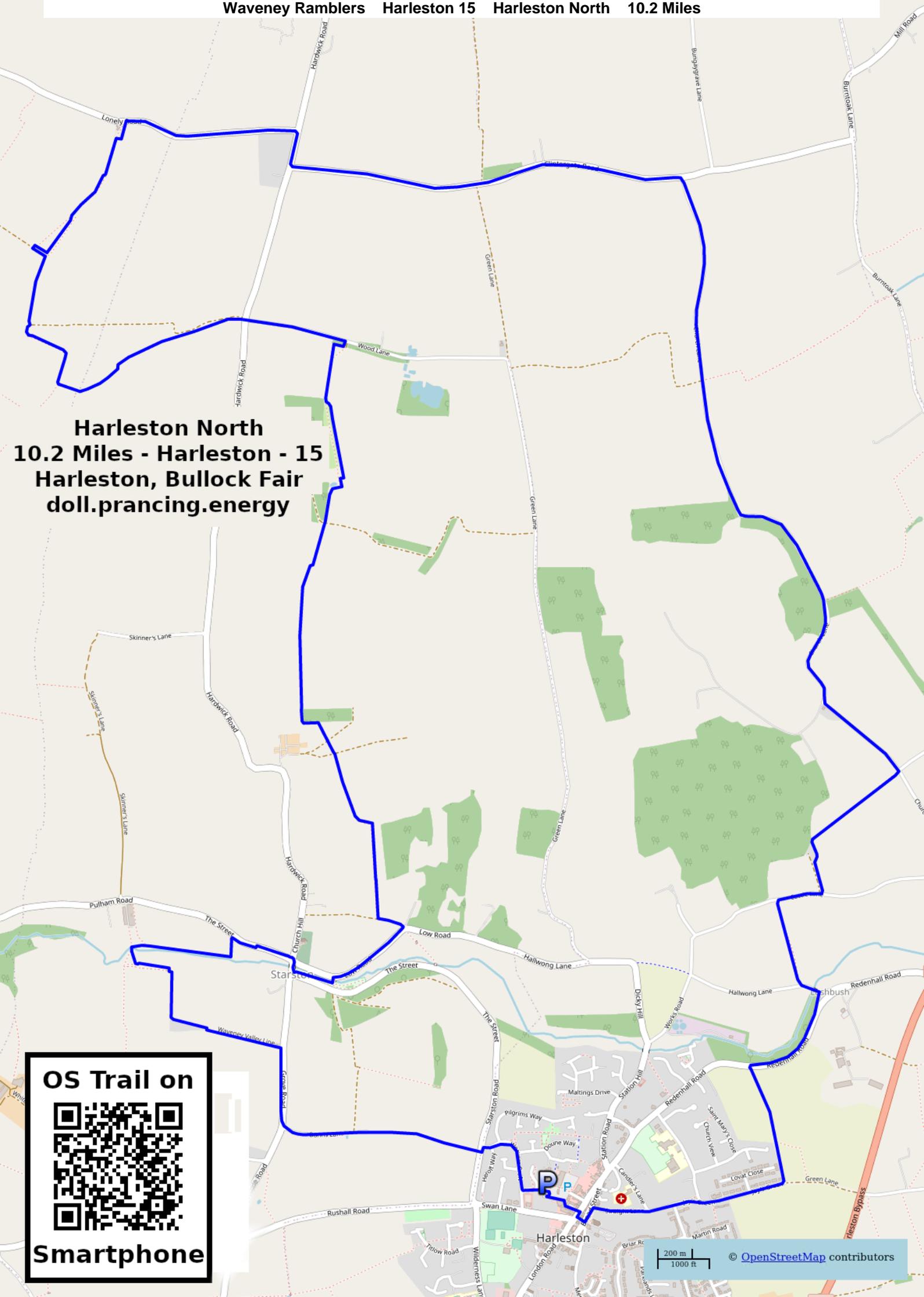
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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 16 Harleston and Starston

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 24453 83475](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 10 Miles Updated: 2019-09-08

Head west out of the Bullock Fair car park into Paddock Road, fire station left.  
Turn right, North, along Weaver's Croft. Follow as it bears left, west.  
Cross Starston Road and head West onto the cycle track, Bunn's Lane.  
Leave the cycle track, right, north, hedge left and cross the disused railway.  
The path kinks left and right into woodland.  
Cross The Street and enter Starston Glebe Meadow, a patch of park land.  
Cross the meadow heading NE. Cross the footbridge over the stream.  
Turn right, NE, along Low Road.  
Turn left, west, along a track.  
Turn right, north, and cross the field. Continue north woodland right.  
Squeeze through a locked gate. Head NW, hedge left. Bear right, hedge left.  
Cross a field to the NW corner.  
Turn left, west, and leave the field.  
Turn right, north, hedge right.  
Continue north across a field.  
Continue ahead, borth, hedge left.  
Kink right and left. Head north hedge left. Continue ahead, north, and cross the track, trees left.  
Veer right, NE, hedge left.  
Veer left, north, hedge right. Continue ahead, north, fence right. Continue north, hedge left.  
Turn right, east, hedge left.  
Kink left and right onto Wood Lane. Turn right, east along Wood Lane.  
Turn left, north, and pass a house left, then hedge right.  
Cross Clintergate Road with a right Left kink. Head north, hedge left.  
Continue ahead, north, through a number of hedge gaps. Cross an open field.  
Head to Hundred Bound Farm.  
Turn right, east, along Hundred Lane. The track veers slowly right, SE.  
Turn right, south, to Pied Bridge Farm. Continue south along Burntoak Road.  
Head south to Coldham Farm. The lane veers left and right, south.  
After the drive to North Lodge Farm, turn right, SW, across an open field \*.  
Mid field, turn left, SE, to the perimeter. ( \* It might be easier to just follow the perimeter.)  
Head SW, pond left, then briefly south and finally SW again.  
Head through some woods, then left, south along Church Lane, after wiggles, SE.  
Opposite the t-junction with Burntoak Lane, turn right, SW, across an open field. Aim for the chimneys.  
At the field edge, turn left, south to Castle Lane.  
Turn right, west, along Castle Lane.  
Turn left, south downhill on a footpath. Turn right, west along Hallwong Lane.  
Don't enter the cycle track. Instead, turn left, south along Work's Road.  
At a y-junction continue south along Station Hill.  
Veer right, SW, into Everson's Lane. Head west towards Tudor Rose Way.  
Turn left, south, down an alleyway leading to the East of England coop.  
Return to the Bullock Fair car park.

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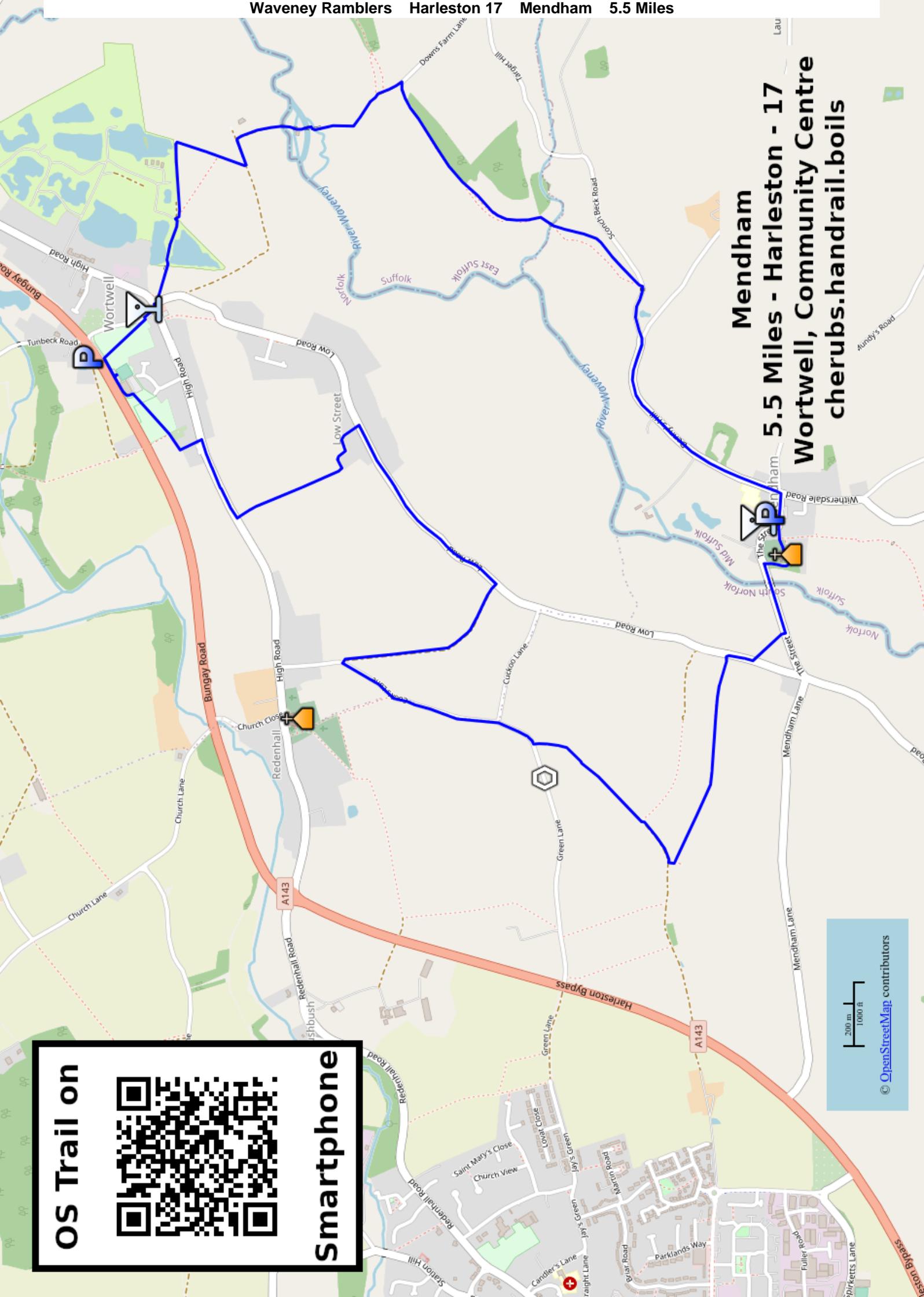
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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 17 Mendham

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 27540 85036](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 5.5 Miles Updated: 2019-09-09

Start from the Wortwell Community Centre.  
Head SE across the playing fields towards the Wortwell Bell.  
Cross into Low Load and via the small car park, head east across a field.  
Head through the mobile homes park, lakes left and right.  
Continue east over a stile into a field and follow the perimeter, east.  
At the field corner, head right, SW, hedge left.  
Cross another stile and turn left, east.  
Near the houses, turn right, south and head past the old mill.  
Cross the Waveney and head south across the meadow. Cattle risk.  
About half way across the meadow, bear left, SE, to the field corner.  
Head SE and pass Downs Farm through multiple gates/stiles.  
After the farm, turn right, SW, and head through the farm grounds and meadows.  
Cattle risk.  
The meadow path converges with Sconch Beck Road.  
Leave the meadows and head west along Sconch Beck Road.  
In Mendham, turn right, west, along The Street.  
At the Alfred Munnings pub, continue west into the All Saints churchyard.  
At the church, head left onto the church access lane.  
Head west, then north. Turn left, west, along The Street and cross the Waveney.  
Turn right, NW, taking a shortcut across a meadow.  
Head right, north, along Low Road.  
Take the first footpath, left, west, climbing the slope.  
After 700 metres, turn right, east, soon NE.  
Turn right along Green Lane, NE, soon north.  
Continue NE along Cook's Lane.  
After a house, turn sharp right, south. Fine views.  
Drop down to Low Road and turn left, NE, for 640 metres.  
Turn left, NW, onto a footpath between houses.  
After two LRLR kinks, head NW to the old school and High Road.  
Head right, east, along the High Road.  
Turn left, north, between houses, onto a footpath.  
Turn right, NE, hedge right.  
Cross a stile into the playing fields and continue NE.  
Return to the community centre and car parking.

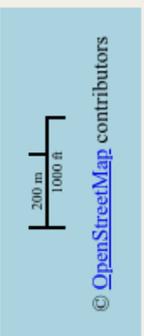


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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 18 Mendham, Metfield and Withersdale

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 24672 81584](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 4.6 to 10.5 Miles Updated: 2018

Start from the Mendham village car park.  
Head east, then NE along Withersdale Road, soon Denny's Hill, then Sconch Beck Road.  
Turn left, NE, across meadows and grazing along the Angles Way.  
Turn right, SE, along Downs Farm Road.  
Turn left, NE, along Target Hill.  
Turn right, east, along Sandy Lane. Consider the field-side path parallel with the road.  
Cross the Beck and head south, drain left.  
Cross the drain and head SE, drain right.  
Turn right, SW, on a tarmac lane. Continue south to the T junction in the tarmac.  
Turn off the road, east, across fields.  
Turn right, south, towards the Old Vicarage.  
Continue roughly south to Rookery Farm. Merge south into Mill Lane.  
Head south down Metfield Street via the church.  
From the church, head south on a footpath.  
Turn left along Fressingfield Road for a few metres, then right, south, on a footpath.  
Head south past Nut Tree Farm for 100 metres. Turn right, west, to the lane.  
Turn left, south along Fressingfield Road for 50 metres.  
Turn right and immediately left, south, on a footpath diverging from the road.  
At the T junction in the path, turn right, west, to Mount Hill.  
Kink right, then left, west. Turn right, north, through trees.  
Continue north then NE towards Oak Farm.  
Turn left, west, soon NW, towards Withersdale Church.  
After the church, cross Metfield Road and head north on a footpath.  
Head towards Mundy's Farm. At Mundy's Road, turn left, NW, towards Mendham.

There are multiple shortcuts and alternative paths in this area.



**Mendham, Metfield and Withersdale  
4.6 to 10.5 Miles - Harleston - 18  
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# Waveney Ramblers Harleston 19 Harleston and Mendham

OS Map: X 230, 231 Track: [TM 24672 81584](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) 7.7 Miles Updated: 2018

Park and meet at Grinder's Lane, left off the B1116, south of Harleston.  
There are several stiles and a gate that might need to be climbed.

Head east and cross the B1116, Weybread and Fressingfield road. Continue east along Watermill Lane. The lane bends right, NW. Cross the Syleham and Winfield road and continue NW past lakes. At a Y-junction, bear right, NW, towards the watermill. Pass the mill and bear right, north. Cross the Waveney and continue north into the meadow. Follow the diagonal path, NE, or continue north and turn right, NE, across a footbridge. At the NE corner of the field, go through the kissing gate onto Well's Lane. Turn right and head east along Well's Lane. Near the B1116, approach on the left side of the road to avoid fast cornering traffic. Head right, east, along the B1116 for 100 metres. Just before the junction with Low Road, turn left, north, uphill, along a woodland path. Follow this path up to the A143 and cross the bypass.

Head north across the open field. At Spirkett's Lane, turn left, west, for 75 metres. Turn right, north, along a field perimeter, hedge left. Continue north along this path, ignoring side turnings until it emerges onto tarmac. Turn right, east, to reach Lime Close, then left, north. At the north end of Lime Close, turn right, east. At a roundabout, continue east. At the end of the houses, continue east through the gate and past the dog poo bin. Climb a gate and at the A143, cross over and continue east.

In the second field, turn right, south for a few paces, then left, SE, boundary, right. Follow the field perimeters SE and later closer to east down to Low Road. Turn right, south, for 75 metres. Turn left, SE, diagonally across a meadow to emerge in The Street. Turn left, east, towards Mendham. At Sir Alfred Munnings, refreshments, the road bends right, SE.

Turn right, west, towards the church. At the gate into the churchyard, turn left, south, along a path towards meadows. Cross the open meadow heading south. Continue south past trees. Bear right, SW, across a footbridge and follow the field perimeter, boundary, left. Close to the Waveney, bear left, SW, across a meadow, staying quite close to the river. Continue SW across several fields, never straying more than 100 metres from the Waveney. At a gated bridge, turn left, south along a farm track. This bends right, west, then left, south again, becoming wider and more heavily used. At the B1123, turn left, SE. Follow the B1123 round to the right, south, and turn off into Mill Lane and head south for 125 metres. In the garden, right, there is a miniature railway line. Turn right, west, with a better view of the miniature railway line, right. Kink right and left past buildings and head west across a meadow, fence left. Follow this path across several fields, SW, hedges left, emerging onto tarmac. At the T-junction, continue west across an open field ignoring a cross-path half way across. Enter a patch of woodland and head west. Emerge onto a lane past holiday chalets. Continue west. Continue west, past a fishing lake. Turn left through gates skirting the lake, now south. The path kinks right and left, still south. Leave the lake through a gate and head west. This path emerges at a garden centre. Follow their north boundary, emerging at One Eyed Lane.

Turn right, NW, along the main road. Ignore King Street, to the right. Bear left and continue NW. After allotments, left, use the parallel path, NW, avoiding the tarmac. At the Y-junction, head north, still avoiding the tarmac. After 50 metres, bear left, away from the road, and head north along a field perimeter. At the end of the field, continue north through woodland using the less overgrown of two parallel paths. There are nursery gardens, right. The path bends, left, west for 50 to 70 metres. Turn right, north, with the nursery still on the right. Cross a field, north, and emerge back onto Watermill Lane. Turn right, east. Follow this lane, past lakes, over the two crossing roads, and back to Grinder's Lane and the parking.

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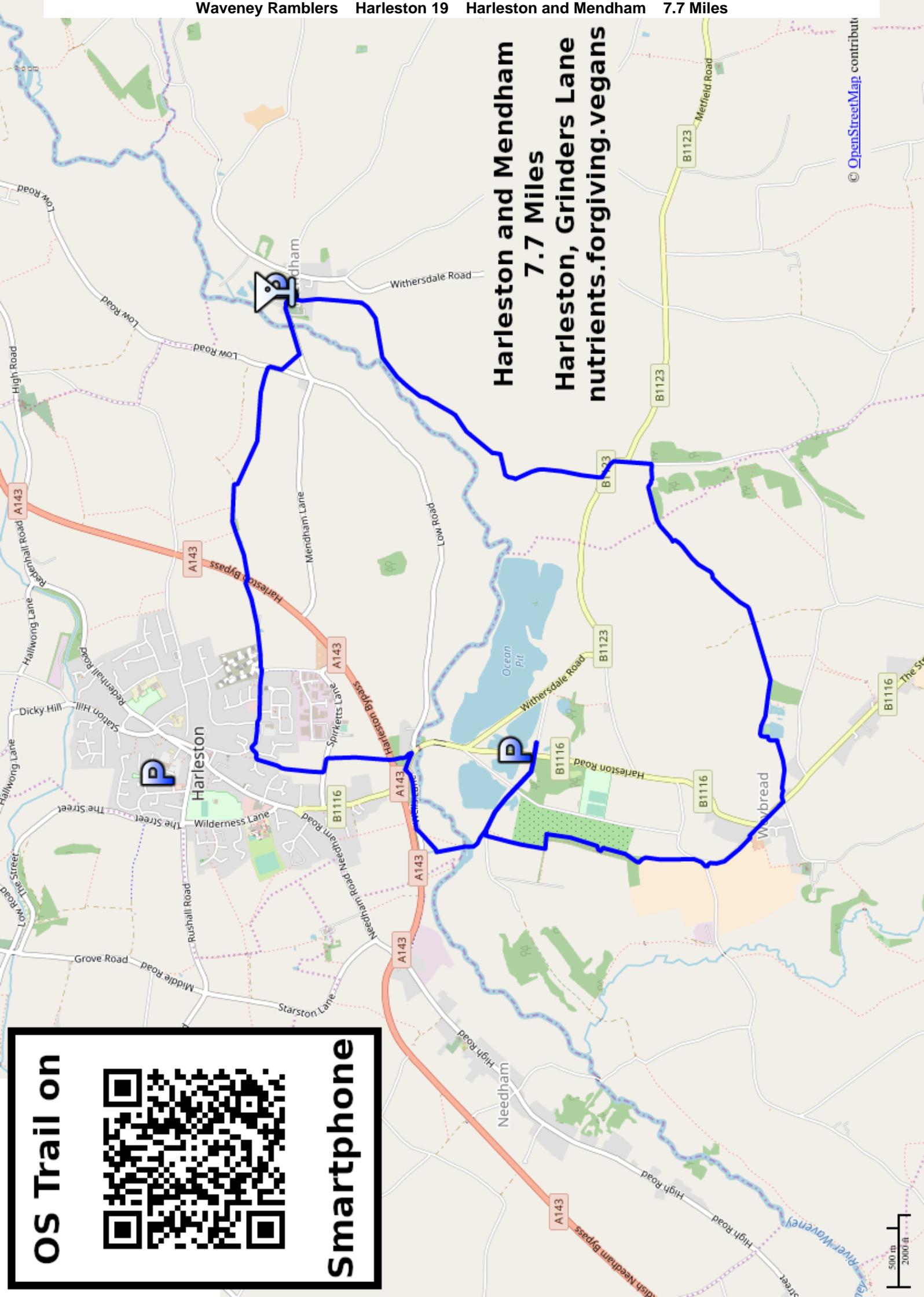
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