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To: [East Pye Solar](#)
Subject: Circular Footpath walks South Norfolk
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Dear Planning Inspector,

Please see copy of circular footpath walks as requested below.

With kind regards,
Carolyn Robinson



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19th November 2018

Autumn walk: Hempnall to Saxlingham Nethergate

Remains of Saxlingham Thorpe Church (*Image:
Archant*)

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An autumn walk with [REDACTED] of Norfolk Ramblers

Great British Life: Saxlingham Nethergate church



Saxlingham Nethergate church (*Image: Archant*)

Compass points

Hempnall to Saxlingham Nethergate

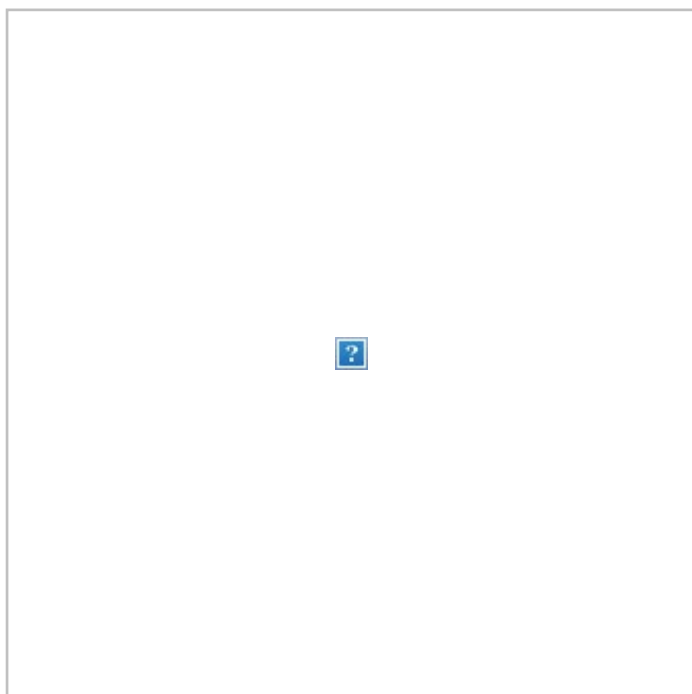
Main walk: Six miles, 9.6km

Medium walk: 4.5 miles, 7.25km

Short walk: 2.75 miles 4.5km

Start: The Street – TM2385 9460

Post Code: NR15 2LS



Hempnall to Saxlingham Nethergate walk (*Image: Archant*)

Directions

1. The start is opposite the school. With the school on your right, follow the road to the war memorial. Bear left into Fairstead Lane, then turn right on to Pymars Lane. Follow the track through the farmyard and at the end of the buildings on your left take the track to the left.

At the corner, turn right and follow the path through to the T-junction. If doing the short walk turn right, follow to the road, turn right again then take the path on the right. At the fence turn right where you re-join the main walk at paragraph four.

2. For the other walk turn right, then left; at the end of the field turn left, follow the path to the gap. Turn right then left between the hedges, follow through to the track to the horse sanctuary. Turn right on Wash Lane then right. At the marker post on the right go on to the meadow; at the woods bear left. Off to the right is an entrance into the woods where you will find the remains of Saxlingham Thorpe Church. Pass through the ruins, follow the path through the woods, turn right then, at the fingerpost, turn left.

Follow the path to the school on to the road. If doing the medium walk turn right, then cross the road at the corner, turn left on to Hall Lane. At the Boudica Way fingerpost turn right, follow to the road, turn left at the phone box, turn right, follow the track to the gates then follow the path between the fence and hedge to the bridge where you join main walk at paragraph four.

3. For the main walk cross the road; passing the village sign enter the churchyard. Follow the path to the left of the church. At the bottom go through the gate, follow the path. Before the stile turn right, following this path to the road. Turn left then right.

Just before the wind turbine take the path on the right, follow it over the bridge then go through the gate.

Following the fence, at the end turn right on to the road, then left. Follow the track to the end. At the woods, turn right, pass through the kissing gate. Follow the path; passing the first path off to the left. At the second path cross the bridge on your left.

4. Follow the path to the end, then take the cross-field path left to the corner of the hedge. Turn right, cross the bridge and follow to the second bridge. Follow the path with a hedge on your left; at the end of the field take the

long cross-field path. Head towards the pole in the field then go straight on to a gap to an enclosed path. Follow, bearing left then right to the road. Turn right at the end of the road and you are back on the road you have parked on.

(A) Ruins of St Mary's Church, Saxlingham Thorpe

The church that once stood here probably originated in the late Saxon period as shown by the design of the nave and the two Saxo-Norman phases visible in the chancel. Other features, like the tower and buttresses, date to around 1500.

Repairs to the building stopped in 1684 and by 1687 the building was ruined with materials being used to repair St Mary's Church in Saxlingham Nethergate.

The church probably fell out of use as villagers migrated away from Saxlingham Thorpe to other more hospitable locations in the valley.

(B) St Mary's Church, Saxlingham Nethergate

This church is set in a beautiful position, nestled between the Old Rectory and Old Hall. It traces its earliest origins to the late Saxon period but much of the architecture, including the grand tower with brick and flint battlements, dates to the 14th and 15th centuries.

The exterior was heavily restored in 1867 and the clock and sundial have been repaired more recently. Inside there is a fine collection of stained glass windows, with those in the south chancel being the earliest examples to be found in any Norfolk church. Visitors should also take note of the impressive 18th century memorial to John Baron and the chunky stone font decorated with roses and rather smug-looking lions!

Get rambling

Norfolk Ramblers welcomes new members. If you are interested in walking in the company of like-minded people, visit norfolkra.org.uk or call 07505 426750. For queries about this walk, phone 07905 565740.

Norfolk Ramblers has established a footpath working group to do some path cutting and general maintenance. We try to make sure that all the paths in these walks are fit to walk, but if you encounter a problem please tell us.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [East Pye Solar](#)
Subject: Circular Footpath walking maps
Date: 18 September 2026 21:03:56
Attachments: [Shotesham and Saxlingham Nethergate.pdf](#)
[Long Stratton Walk.pdf](#)
[Tyrells Wood & Fritton.pdf](#)

Dear Planning Inspector,
Please find attached circular walking routes as requested.



Directions

This is 4.5-mile walk, starting from the village church; it goes along a footpath beside a river for just over 1.5 miles, then along a country road before turning on another footpath, with overhanging trees forming an arch – again, for just over 1.5 miles.

Please remember to take nothing but memories and photographs, leaving nothing but footprints and follow the footpath signs.

01. Leave the churchyard and turn left, along The Street until you reach a T junction with a coffee shop in front of you. Turn right and walk along Mill Road, using the pavement, until you come to the end of the houses, and look for a footpath fingerboard on your left. Cross the road with care and join the footpath through a gap in the hedge.

02. Follow this footpath for the next 1.5 miles in a southerly direction. Initially, keep the wire fence on your left and straddle the footpath to your right. Climb over two stiles close together and walk beside a stream, over a plank bridge, across a field, then another plank bridge until you reach a bridge on your left with two upright posts, which carries a farm track and footpath.

03. Turn right onto this footpath. Turn left when you reach the next field, walking with a hedge on your left. Cross over a series of stiles, plank bridges and fields to reach Steppings Lane through a gap in a hedge.

04. Turn left and follow the road for the next half mile, around a left-hand bend, until you reach a footpath on your right. Turn right to walk along this footpath with the hedge on your right, until you reach a hedge in front with another footpath crossing this one.

05. Turn left onto this footpath and head in a northerly direction for around 1.5 miles. This footpath becomes a track, crosses over Lundy Green and continues with trees forming a tunnel, before opening up to views of Hempnall and its church in the distance before you reach Bungay Road through another tunnel in the trees.

06. Take care crossing over Bungay Road, turn left and head back to the junction with the coffee shop, then retrace your steps to the church and the start of the walk.



Join Our Weekly Walk
Why not join us for our regular walk from the Mother & Child Statue at Norwich Cathedral, Thursdays at 10.30am?
You are always welcome.

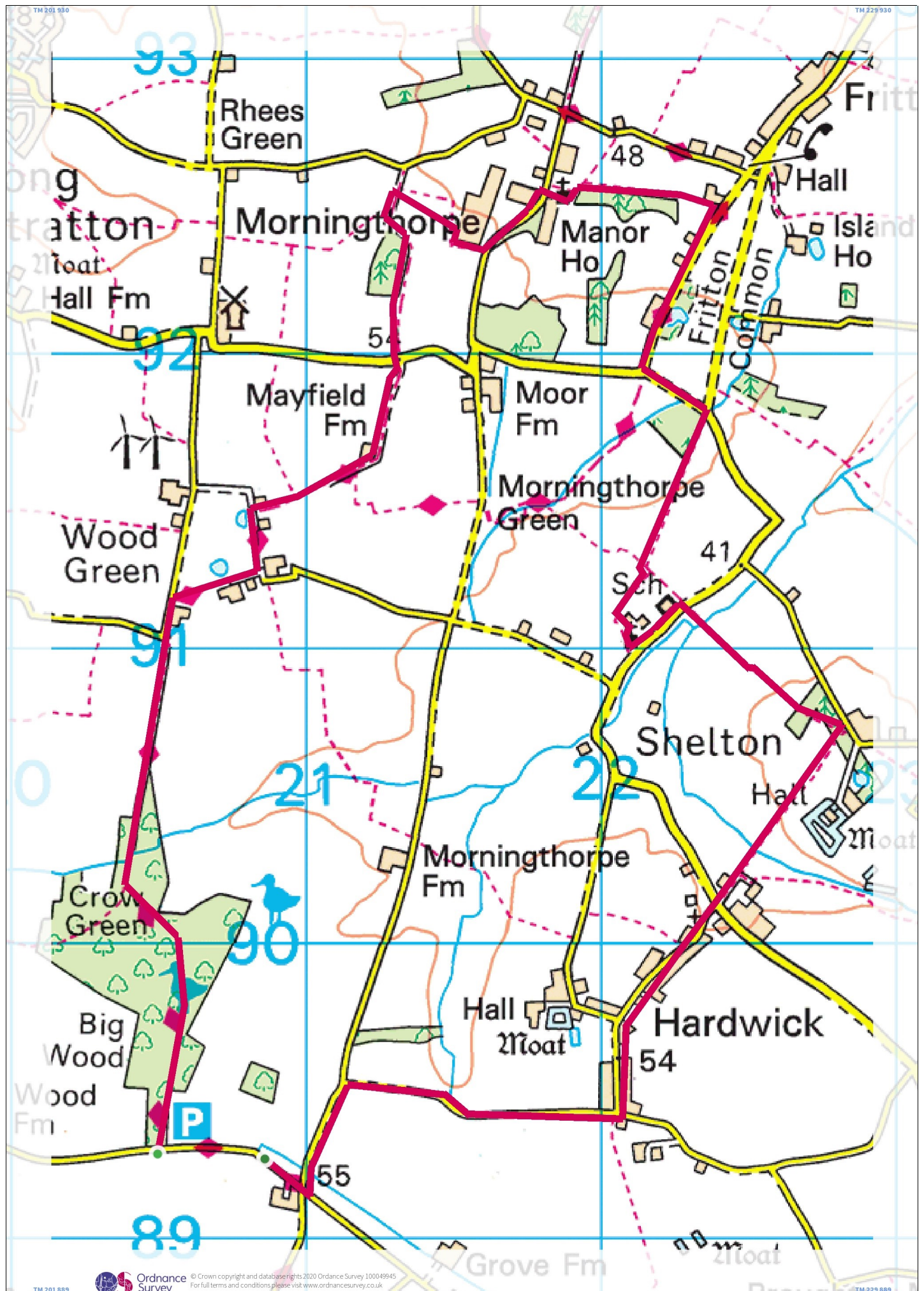


The Hempnall and Lundy Green Health walk is from a local free magazine called VILLAGE PEOPLE, August to September 2026. It has a circular health walk in South Norfolk in each edition.

The walk maps in PDF form were walks that I did during the COVID pandemic for exercise and stress relief from my [REDACTED]

With kind regards,
Carolyn Robinson





Route Information

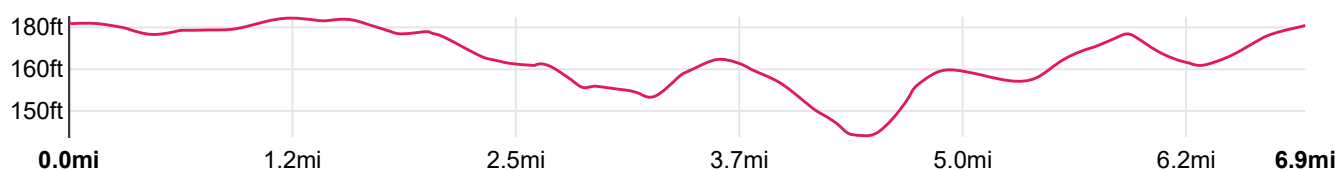
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Circular includes Shelton and Hardwick

Route Summary

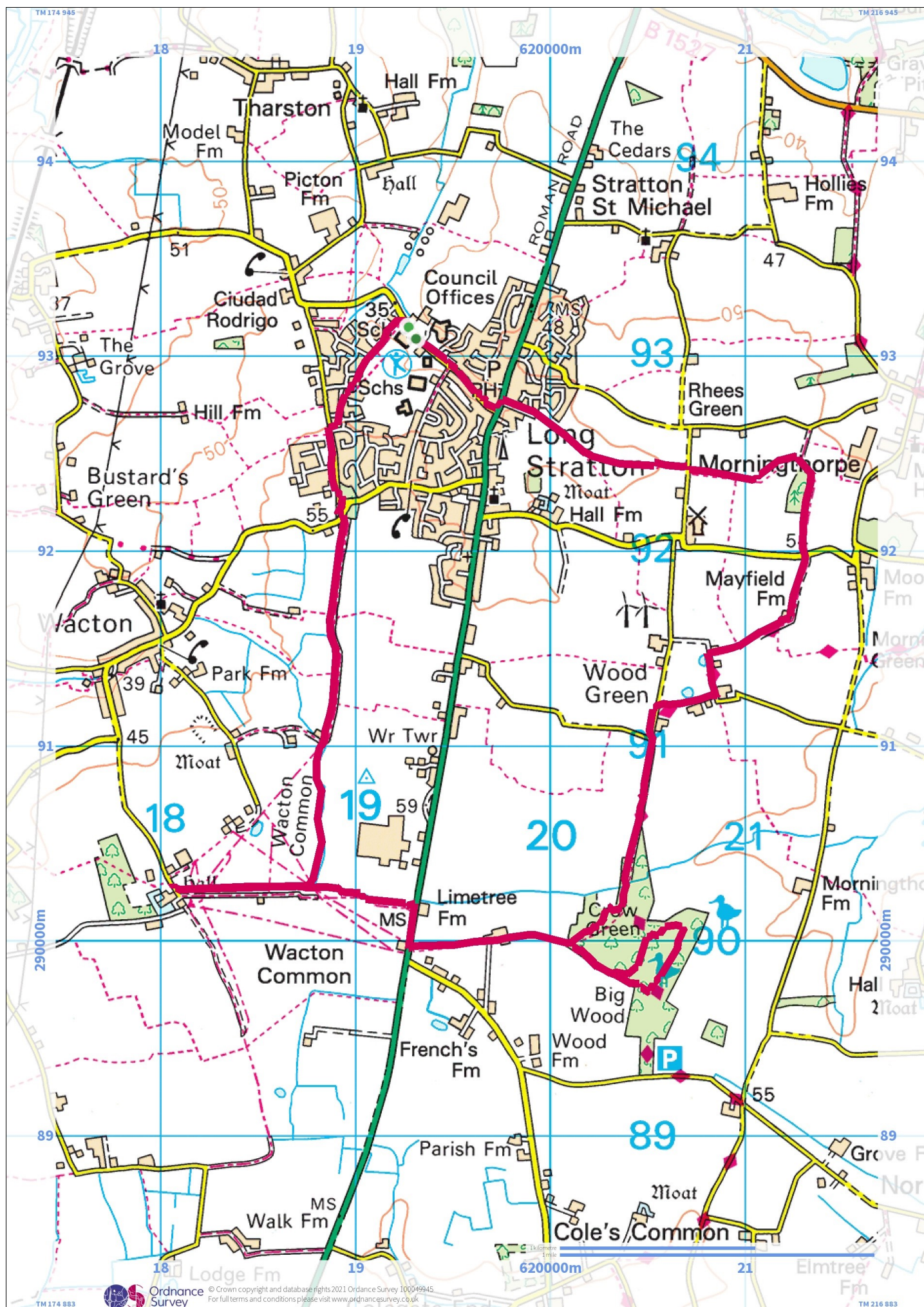
Total Distance	6.9mi (11.0km)	Walk	0min
Elevation	137ft at lowest point	Run	0min
	185ft at highest point	Cycle	0min
Total Ascent	95ft		

Elevation Profile



Route Card

#	OS Grid Ref	Dist from start	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation
1	TM 204 892	0.00mi	52° 27' 25" N	1° 14' 38" E	182ft
Dist to next: 6.86mi, Bearing to next: 93°, Ascent to next: 95ft					
2	TM 208 892	6.86mi	52° 27' 24" N	1° 14' 57" E	181ft



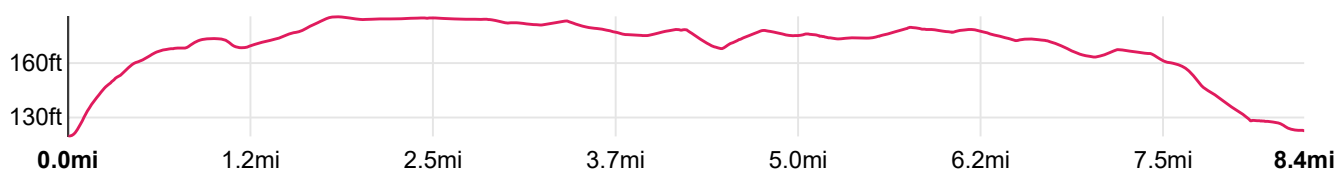
Route Information

Route Name Kate's Long Stratton walk

Route Summary

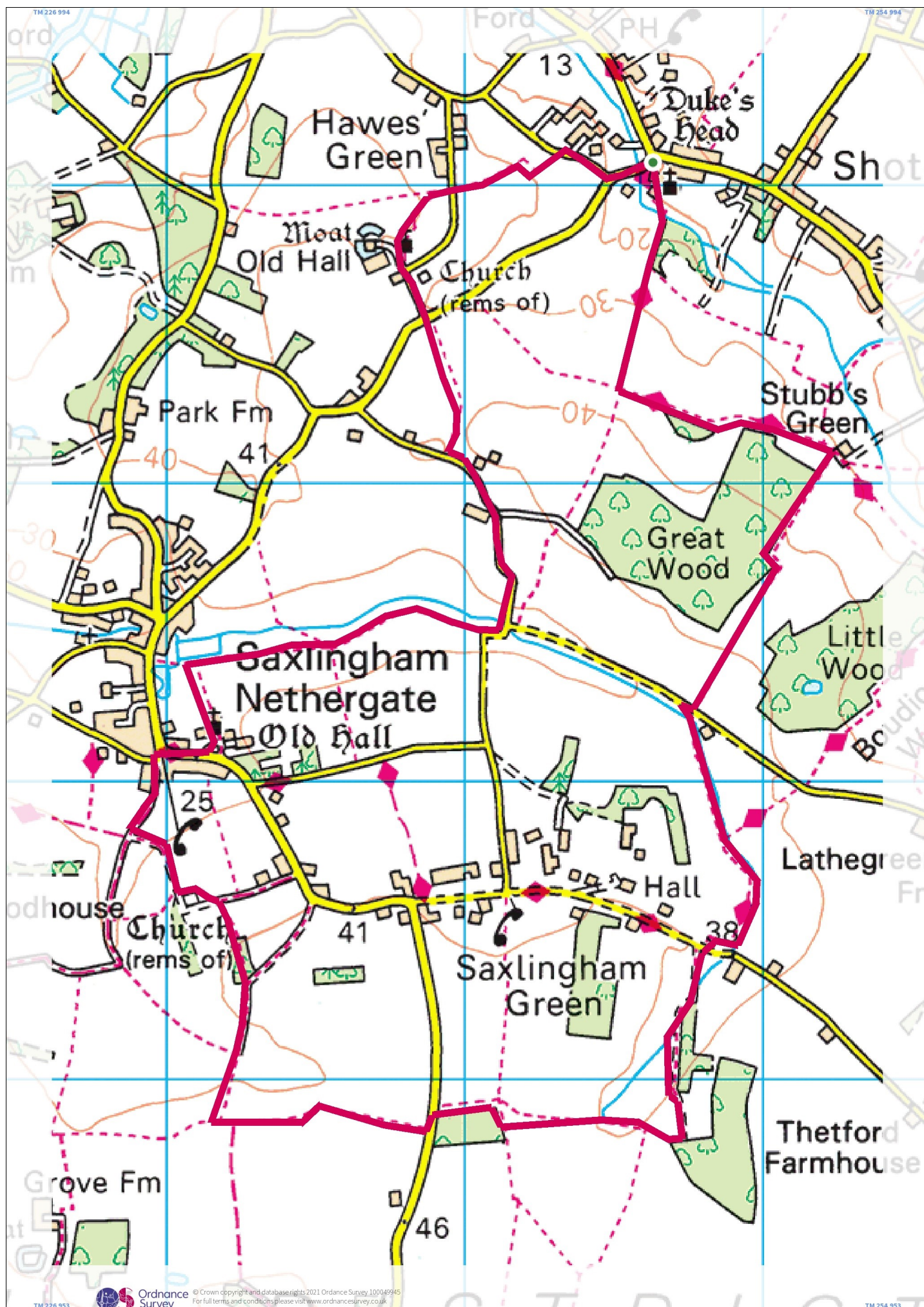
Total Distance	8.5mi (13.7km)	Walk	0min
Elevation	120ft at lowest point	Run	0min
	192ft at highest point	Cycle	0min
Total Ascent	118ft		

Elevation Profile



Route Card

#	OS Grid Ref	Dist from start	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation
1	TM 192 931	0.00mi	52° 29' 31" N	1° 13' 42" E	120ft
	Dist to next: 8.40mi, Bearing to next: 149°, Ascent to next: 118ft				
2	TM 193 930	8.40mi	52° 29' 29" N	1° 13' 44" E	123ft



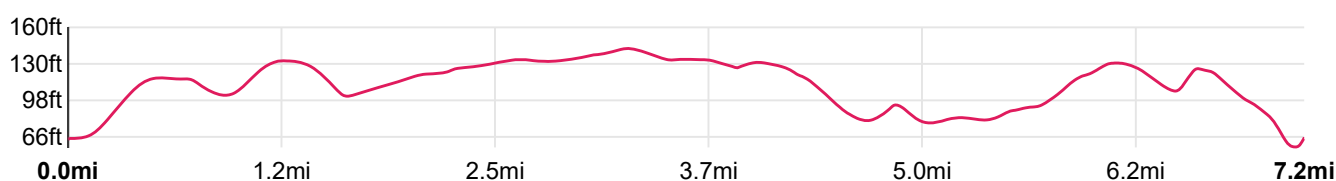
Route Information

Route Name Shotesham circular

Route Summary

Total Distance	7.2mi (11.6km)	Walk	0min
Elevation	56ft at lowest point	Run	0min
	146ft at highest point	Cycle	0min
Total Ascent	257ft		

Elevation Profile



Route Card

#	OS Grid Ref	Dist from start	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation
1	TM 246 990	0.00mi	52° 32' 35" N	1° 18' 40" E	64ft
Dist to next: 7.18mi, Bearing to next: 90°, Ascent to next: 257ft					
2	TM 246 990	7.18mi	52° 32' 35" N	1° 18' 40" E	64ft