

June 24th 2012 Three Parishes

This walk involves some road walking, along wide verges, and some hills and ploughed fields. It passes through Creslow Great Ground, where, in time gone by, cattle destined for the London market were rested and fattened prior to their final journey. Distance: about 4 miles; it took 1 hr 55 minutes.

- From the TK, turn left along the High Street towards Winslow, cross the road opposite the Priory and turn right into Church Lane, continuing into the Churchyard. At the Church, turn left and pass into Church Headland; turn right and shortly pass through Kempson's farmyard and into the field beyond.
- Turn left (40), and walk along the left hand fence; where this turns left, continue in the same direction towards the end of a hedge protruding into the field (39).
- Walk with this on your right, and pass through the gap at the end (36). Continue in the same direction across the middle of the next field, (37) aiming for a gap in the centre of the bottom hedge. Through this (the Whitchurch/ Creslow parish boundary) converge gradually on the right hand hedge, (Creslow 1), and walking uphill now, cross the stile at the top right corner into a paddock with a pond, right, and skirt this to a stile leading onto the lane at Creslow.
- Turn left and follow the lane (Creslow 3) until the A413 is reached. Turn left and walk along the wide verge and after 450m, cross carefully to a FP sign on the other side, (now in Whitchurch).
- Cross into the field (52) and walk at 12 o'clock to the stile ahead, in the next field, turn right to cut the corner and cross the stile which appears about a third of the way from the right field corner.
- Continue downhill in the same direction and cross the stile/FB; (Whitchurch/Oving Parish boundary) follow the left hand hedge to a stile and past the stables, right into the Meadway.
- Turn left, until, past the byres and barns and the new Ramhill farmhouse, beyond the derelict trailers, left, a gateway and stile appear, left.
- Cross this; the gateway is sometimes muddy and churned up by the bullocks who often occupy this pasture, and head downhill at 2 o'clock (Oving 18), to the stile/FB/stile in the hedge/fence ahead. Across this, continue in the same direction to the stile/FB/stile just short of the right field corner. You are now back in Whitchurch Parish!
- Walk in the same direction again, now uphill, until a broad flat ledge is reached; turn right to the stile just before the gateway in the right field corner (53). Turn left along the farm track, and in the next field, where the right hedge ends, turn half right to cross this large field (FP usually re-instated) to the stile leading onto the A413.
- Turn right along the verge, to cross Mount Pleasant, and Oving Road, and walk along the High Street back to the TK.

Key: Numbers refer to Whitchurch Parish Paths

KG=kissing gate

FB=footbridge