Lingfield Byways Walks Walk 7 The Garth/Garth Poultry Farm

Route Distance 2.56 miles Estimated time 1 hr 3 mins



Turn left out of the side gate of the Lingfield and Dormansland Community Centre car park and turn right onto the High Street. Cross the road at the pedestrian crossing; continue along the High Street and turn left into East Grinstead Road. Cross the road immediately and continue along East Grinstead Road to the junction with Drivers Mead where you turn right. Walk to the far end of Drivers Mead and then go along the twitten to Newchapel Road. Turn left and cross the road, continuing along Newchapel Road to the junction with Mount Pleasant Road where you turn right. Walk the entire length of Mount Pleasant Road, (which includes a 90 degree turn to the right) and turn left at the junction with Godstone Road. Walk past the end of Bay Trees and go immediately left over the stile to take the footpath which is enclosed by a fence on both sides. Cross over the stile and go through the next field to find a stile in the left-hand corner. (The actual path here has been made inaccessible by over-growth.) Continue along the footpath, the right-hand side of which is the garden boundary of The Garth, which used to be a workhouse.

On reaching Newchapel Road, take care crossing to the pavement on the other side because this is a very busy stretch of road. Now turn right along Newchapel Road looking for a footpath sign on the other side of the road just before The Pollards. Again cross over with care and go through a kissing gate to take a path which is at the boundary of The Pollards garden. Continue straight ahead, pass to the right of a stile and continue on to cross over another stile. When you reach the tree line go through the gap and onto some heathland where you turn left. At the end of this path, turn right and go straight ahead until you emerge, once again, onto the Godstone Road. Turn

right and walk along the pavement until just before the chicane. Cross the road to pick up a signed footpath which goes to the right through the garden of Wellside. At the far side of this, take the gate on the right and then go over the stile into the field.

Cross the field diagonally to a kissing gate in the far left corner. You will have to move (or negotiate through) an electric fence using the handles provided, just before the kissing gate. Turn right to walk up the footpath, which is muddy in winter, and then turn left between the barbed wire fences. At the far end of this path, turn right into Centenary Field and then right again into the Orchard, which is all part of the Lingfield Nature Reserves After about 20 yards turn left onto a wide path which leads you out onto Vicarage Road. (You may wish to turn left here and then bear right to have a brief look at the Butterfly Garden.) On reaching Vicarage Road, turn right and walk to the junction with Plaistow Street. Turn left to cross using the traffic island and walk behind the Village Pond. Continue along the High Street to reach the Lingfield and Dormansland Community Centre on the left.