

COPMERE PICNIC SITE



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If you enjoyed these walks, or encountered any problems along the way we would be happy to hear from you.

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Photographs - front cover

Footpath No. 119 looking towards Johnson Hall, Eccleshall. Pump Site, Copmere End

Footpath No.11 to the north west of Holy Trinity Church, Eccleshall. The Dells Footpath



Eccleshall Parish Council Presents a selection of favourite walks

ENJOY YOUR WALKING AND WHEREVER YOU GO ,FOLLOW THE COUNTRY CODE

- Enjoy the countryside and respect its life and work
- Guard against all risk of fire
- Fasten all gates
- Keep your dogs under close control
- Keep to public paths across farmland
- Use gates and stiles to cross fences, hedges and walls.
- Leave livestock, crops and machinery alone
- Take your litter home
- Help to keep all water clean
- Protect wildlife, plants and trees
- Take special care on country roads
- Make no unnecessary noise

THE FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE

Over recent years, a system of work, envied by many other Councils, has been developed through the hard work of the Footpaths Committee.

There are 18 walking volunteers who each walk 8 to 10 paths once a month and report back any problems. More than 100 orders have been issued for replacement bridges, stiles, fingerposts, steps and removal of vegetation.

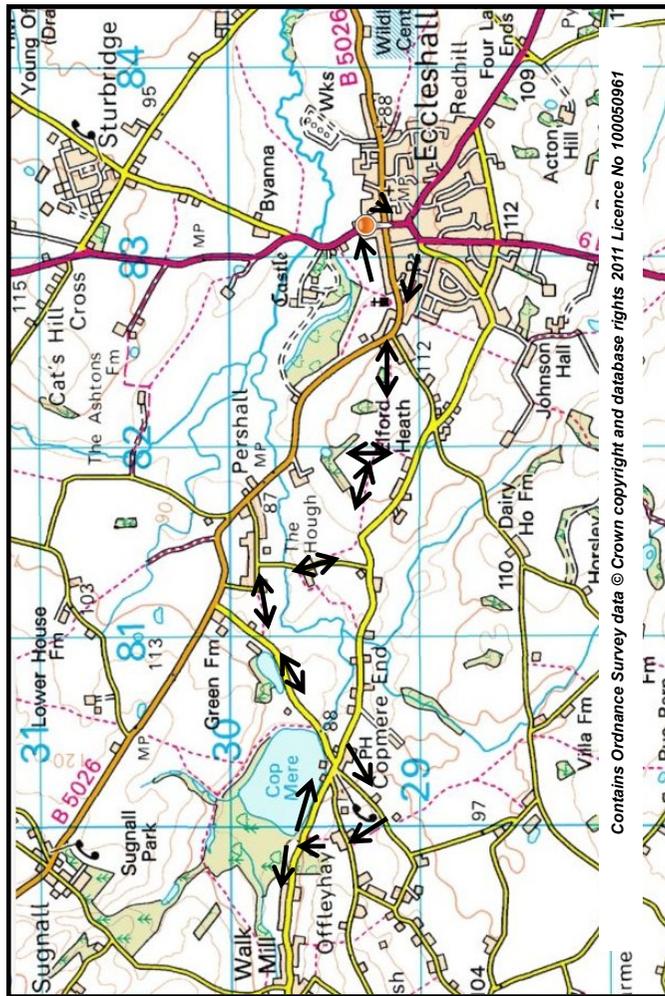
Each of the 143 paths within the Parish has a record number and a record card of all events. Advice is available on sometimes complex legal issues, relating to paths.

Under the Chairmanship of John Allen the Footpaths Committee has waymarked all the Parish Paths and commented upon several diversions, which have improved the network, ensured that old paths are returned to usage by improving access and campaigning so that an old Bridlepath at Blore Pipe was restored to the network.

The Committee has also worked to establish the progress on 10 other disputed footpaths in the Parish to ensure that they are not forgotten, like 'The Dells' behind Johnson Hall. Bids for funding have been submitted to Staffordshire County Council for the production of walking leaflets, of which there are 12, seats on popular walks, tools and equipment information boards, kissing gates and church yard paths.

The set of 12 leaflets detailing walks in Eccleshall Parish, published by the Parish Council, are available from Eccleshall Library, The Star at Copmere and Offley Hay Village Hall. Alternatively, they can be obtained by sending an A5 envelope bearing stamps for the value of 50p to the Parish Clerk. The booklet and leaflets are also available to download from the Parish Council website - www.eccleshallparishcouncil.org

WALK NO. 9 - A WALK LINKING 5 OPEN SPACES IN ECCLESHALL PARISH



ECCLESHALL PARISH COUNCIL

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The selection of walks described in this booklet include field walking, bridlepaths and quiet country lanes. On occasions the routes are muddy, so some stout footwear and waterproof clothing are advisable.

The preparation of these walks has been aided and abetted by members of the Eccleshall Parish Council Footpaths Committee, Councillors John Allen, Phil Baskerville, Mike Starkey and Gordon Dale, together with co-opted members:- Mr G. Clowes (Ramblers Association), Mr N. Davenport and Mr D. Smith (Handyman).

Please note that the walking notes and maps contained in this booklet should be complemented by Ordnance Survey Explorer 243, Market Drayton, Loggerheads and Eccleshall, which is available from local newsagents.

The members of the Committee hope that the walker enjoys these walks in the beautiful countryside of Eccleshall Parish.

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**WALK 1 - BLURTONS LANE -
ELLENHALL CLOSE BY AND
JOHNSON HALL - DISTANCE 4
MILES**

Leave Eccleshall Town Centre and head along the Stone Road. Cross Hartlands Road and Badgers Croft. Turn right after crossing Badgers Croft, down a track at the rear of the Town Dairy.

After a short distance a footpath joins from the right, bear slight left down a track up to a stile. Follow field edge up to a sleeper bridge over a ditch and look ahead for a sign post by a hedge. Keep ahead with hedge on your left, up to a stile.

Into a copse go right and follow pathway to join field path. Again keep hedge on left and follow the length of the hedge.

Cross open field to an opening in the hedge. Turn right into Blurtons Lane, opposite Field House Farm. Keep ahead along this well used lane up to the main road - cottage on left and open space with seat on right. Cross main Stafford Road A5013 with care.

Follow road to Ellenhall for nearly a mile, past Spurley Brook Farm on left, lane climbs slightly, look out for fingerpost on right. Turn into field keeping hedge on your left and walk towards Wootton Farm House. Climb stile and keep tight to hedge on left, finding a small gate at end of a wall.

Turn right into lane and keep ahead down to main Eccleshall/Newport Road A519. Cross road with care, go right up to a kissing gate in metal fence, go through the gate and part right. Follow path towards a metal fence and through a kissing gate. Ahead towards a gateway in a wooden fence, the kissing gate is to the left of gateway. Follow waymarked path to the left of pool, enjoying the view of Johnson Hall.

**PLEASE KEEP TO THE
WAYMARKED ROUTE AND
KEEP DOGS ON LEADS.**

Up to another metal kissing gate to left hand side of fence, up a track and join lane, keeping left. At the next junction by white gate, go right up to the lane by school. Go left for 50 metres and join footpath through kissing gate. Keep ahead down to a metal kissing gate, go through and enjoy the view of the Parish Church, rest a while on the seat. Go right down into town and return to your starting point at the cross roads.

– Elford Common. Having surveyed the Common, return to the car park and cross the road. Retrace your steps through kissing gate. Keeping hedge on left, continue for 100m until another kissing gate is reached. Go left and head for wicket gate in fence – take care crossing electric fences.

After going through gate head down field towards left corner and stile. Cross and go through the kissing gate and down rough meadow going over old stile to your right towards field gate on left hand. Cross into lane, go right past Hough Farm and River Sow. At 'T' junction go left, passing three houses at corner. Go through gate crossing uneven meadow heading towards large oak tree. Our route is to the right. Cross stile and follow hedge on right, go left in lane, then keep ahead to 'The Star Inn' at Copmere End, where there is a beer garden and food is available.

Leave The Star Car Park and look for sign to Offley Hay Village Hall. On the corner is our fourth site - Copmere Pump Site, enjoy the seat and then continue up the hill towards the village hall.

Enter the car park at the Village Hall and walk to the corner of the car park, leaving by double gates down field to a new kissing gate opposite The Mere. Go left up to our fifth site - The Picnic Site. Having enjoyed the site return to 'The Star', and retrace your steps to Eccleshall.

Follow the lane for a good ½ mile and look for stile on right. Cross stile and follow to left by large tree. Cross rough meadow and head towards gable end of house, gateway is to the left hand side. Go over the stile, keep ahead for 100 metres and then take first right, down lane crossing River Sow to a farmyard and house.

Just past the farm, go over a stile on your left and then walk diagonally across the field to a stile. Head to another stile in the right-hand corner of the field. Cross into the lane and immediately left through a galvanised kissing gate. Walk diagonally up the field to a wicket gate. Continue slightly to the right to a kissing gate by a gateway.

Follow the well-marked path ahead past two small copses of trees. As you pass the lower copse Eccleshall Church will come into view. Hilcote Hall, a white building, can be seen in the distance. Follow the hedge on your left to a galvanised kissing gate. Turn left and drop down towards the right of the Old National School, leaving the field by two kissing gates.

Cross the road with care. Turn right and walk past Holy Trinity Church. Join the High Street, and follow down to the cross roads where you started the walk.

A walk linking 5 open spaces in Eccleshall Parish - Walk No.9

This walk joins together five public open spaces, in which Eccleshall Parish Council has an interest by way of ownership or support.

A. EYESWELLS OPEN SPACE -

This area was purchased by the Parish Council in 2003 and has been cleared and hedge laying has been undertaken. The grass is cut on a regular basis and the Parish Council and the County Council resurfaced the footpath, making it accessible to the elderly and people with pushchairs.

B. WASHPITS - Details of the site history are displayed on the lectern. This site and the seat are popular with the elderly and walkers.

C. ELFORD HEATH - This large area includes a pool and a car park. The Parish Council purchased this open space from the Church Commissioners in 2003. The Heath is mown on a regular basis and there are many species of wild plants to be found.

D. COPMERE PUMP SITE - This grassed area has been restored and the pump, which provided a source of water locally, repaired. A seat has been located on the site and regular maintenance is carried out by the Parish Council.

E. COPMERE PICNIC SITE - This area was formerly a storage area for the County Council road materials. The Parish Council created a picnic site in 1999 partly funded by The Staffordshire

Environmental Fund. The design work was carried out by Mr C. Pickard in consultation with pupils from Bishop Lonsdale C of E Primary School. A picnic bench has been installed and several seats have been donated. This area is well used by walkers and cyclists.

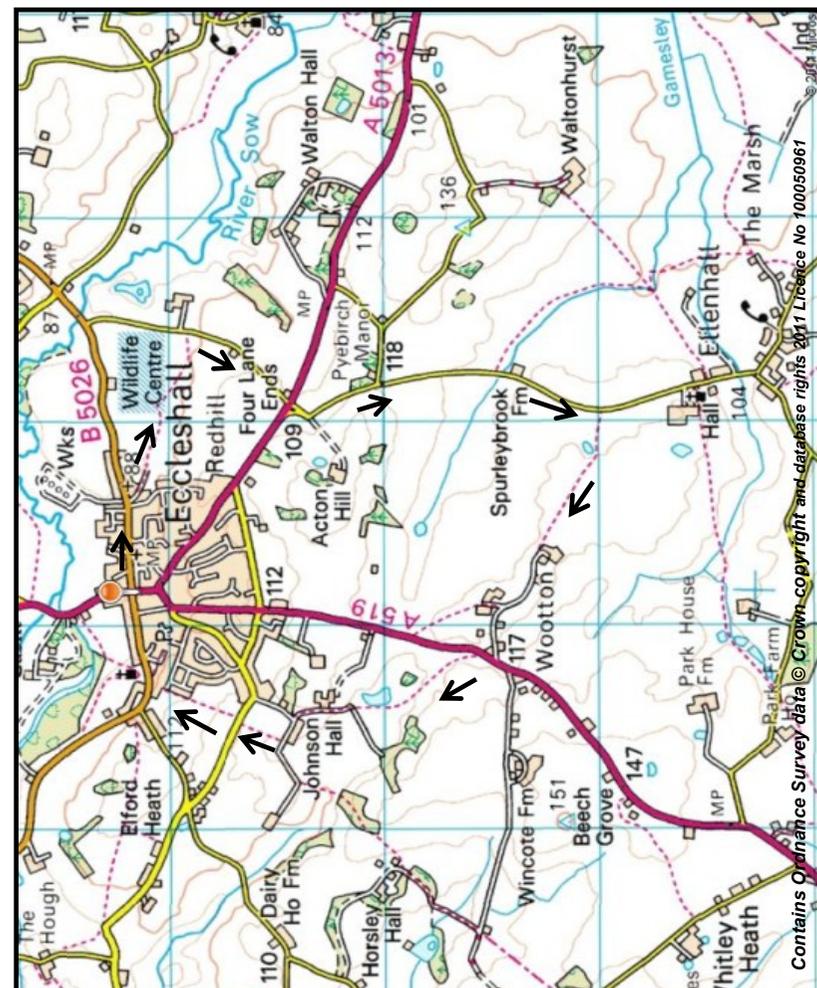
The sites can be visited by way of walking – Approximately 5 miles in distance.

Park your car at Stone Road Car Park, or opposite the Methodist Hall / Church on Stone Road. Walk to the cross roads, turn left into Stafford Street, cross the road and follow the pavement round into Horsefair. Cross Small Lane by 'The Eagle Public House' into Gaol Butts. Take tarmac path on your right into Eyeswells open space and then up path, crossing over Usulwall Close. Continue along the footpath to rear of houses and High Street.

At 'T' junction turn right by fence and kissing gate, onto the second site 'The Washpits'. Observe the lectern illustrating the history of the site. Leave the area and go left along the pavement past some old cottages. At Kerry Lane cross and walk up pathway between two high hedges, via two kissing gates.

Head for a kissing gate in the hedge, go through and turn right. Take care with electric fences and pass two dry pits on the right, at the kissing gate turn left. Go down to the kissing gate at the side of cottage, cross lane and turn into car park of our third site.

WALK 1 - BLURTONS LANE - ELLENHALL CLOSE BY AND JOHNSON HALL - DISTANCE 4 MILES



WALK 2 - NEWCASTLE ROAD, POOL HOUSE, SPRINGFIELDS, THE LEYS - DISTANCE 4 MILES

Leave cross roads in Eccleshall town centre and walk along Castle Street onto the Newcastle Road (A519). After a short distance you will pass the drive to Eccleshall Castle. The Castle was a residence of the Bishops of Lichfield for over 700 years. It is now a private home. Just over the River Bridge, bear left on the grass verge of the main road until the road veers to the right.

Turn left by the foot path marker post along a lane towards Pool House. After 150 yards turn right through a wooden kissing gate. Bear slightly left and walk along what appears to be an old green track to a gateway, then slightly left across the field to a galvanised kissing gate to the left of the oak tree. Through the gate head for another kissing gate that is to the left of another oak tree. Walk ahead along the concrete road, with the hedge on your right, until you reach Springfield Farm.

Just beyond the farm and its buildings, go through the gate ahead. Turn left and follow the track over Brockton Brook to join Smithy Lane.

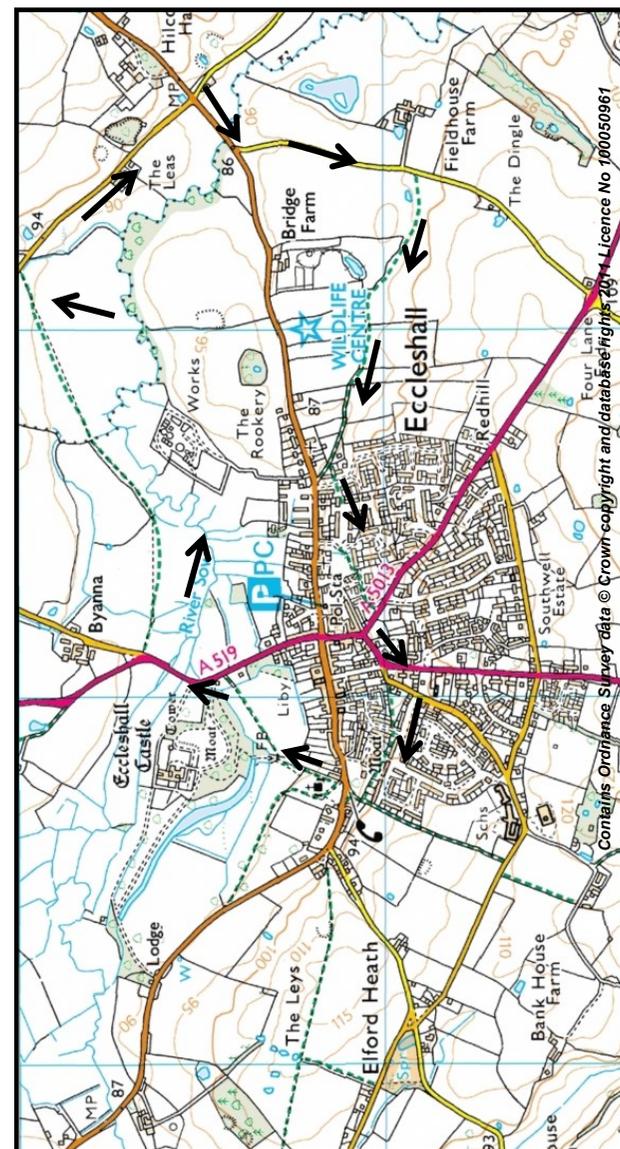
Turn left onto lane and pass the football ground on right up to main road B5026. Go left at main road and look for a seat. Go right into the hamlet of Pershall. After 200 metres join lane on left.

Just past the farm, go over a stile on your left and then walk diagonally across the field to a stile. Head to another stile in the right-hand corner of the field. Cross into the lane and immediately left through a galvanised kissing gate. Walk diagonally up the field to a wicket gate. Continue slightly to the right to a kissing gate by a gateway.

Follow the well-marked path ahead past two small copses of trees. As you pass the lower copse Eccleshall Church will come into view. Hilcote Hall, a white building, can be seen in the distance. Follow the hedge on your left to a galvanised kissing gate. Turn left and drop down towards the right of the Old National School, leaving the field by two kissing gates.

Cross the road with care. Turn right and walk past Holy Trinity Church. Join the High Street and follow down to the cross roads where you started the walk.

WALK 8 - A SUNDAY AFTERNOON STROLL DISTANCE 4 MILES



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Park near Holy Trinity Church in Eccleshall. Go through the lych gate and take the waymarked path to the right. Go through the kissing gate and into the field. Carry on in the same direction towards a gate.

Turn right and walk across the field to the Newcastle Road. At the main road turn left. Walk 200 yards, over the bridge, then cross the road to a stile near the Eccleshall sign, alongside the river.

Follow the river to the stile on the right hand side of a gate. Move diagonally left across the field until a large pipe comes into view. Pass under the pipe and through the next gate. Follow the bend in the river to the right until you reach a stile. Climb this and follow the wire fence on your left up the slope until you reach the horse dressage area and the gate. This part of our route is a permissive footpath by kind permission of two local farmers, please respect the path.

Turn right on the lane as far as the Stone Road. Turn right down the hill towards Eccleshall. Beware of fast traffic. After about 200yds turn left into Blurtons Lane. Walk up the lane taking care as the lane is bendy with high hedges, until you reach Fieldhouse Farm on your left. Turn right opposite the farm entrance along the waymarked footpath.

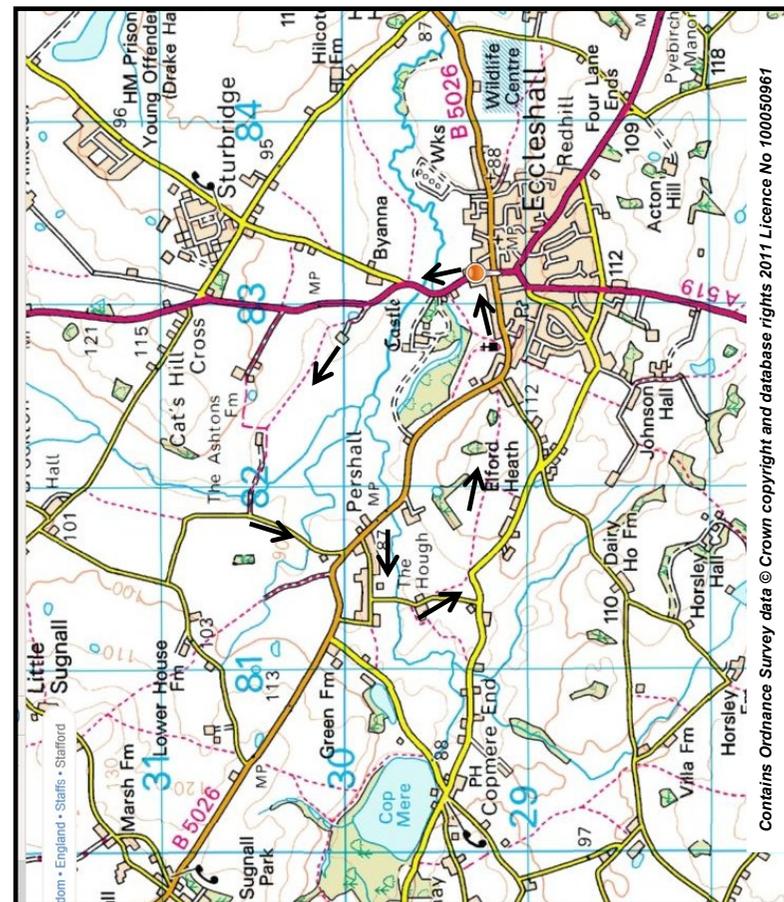
The path is well defined and leads through a small spinney.

Follow the path to the stile and then along the field boundary. Continue over the plank bridge to the next stile and into the lane at the back of the Sacred Heart Church. Follow the way-marked footpath left into Badgers Croft.

Cross the estate road and follow the markers to Hartlands Road. Turn right along the pavement. After 100yds cross the road to the open space. Walk along the path in front of the houses on your left to the barriers. Turn right and follow the pavement down to Stafford Road. Turn right and walk down to the mini roundabout. Turn right and cross the road using the pedestrian crossing, turn left and follow the pavement along Horsefair to Small Lane.

Go forward past the Eagle Public House, to a gate and waymarked path. Follow the path between the hedges and through the open area across Usulwall Close and along the waymarked path to a kissing gate. Turn right, you are now back at your starting point, Holy Trinity Church.

WALK 2 - NEWCASTLE ROAD, POOL HOUSE, SPRINGFIELDS, THE LEYS- DISTANCE 4 MILES



**WALK 3 – ECCLESHALL ,
COPMERE, GARMELOW
DISTANCE 4 MILES**

Our route starts at the Parish Church of Eccleshall at the top of the High Street. Limited car parking is available. Go past the church and church room and walk along the pavement for 200 metres. By a seat on a bend, opposite Kerry Lane, cross the road and go up alley way through kissing gates and up to another kissing gate on the skyline. Go right past two dry pits on your right, respect electric fences and go through kissing gate by metal gate and head for a wicket gate in wooden fence. Close gate and go down field to a kissing gate in corner.

Onto lane, go right and along lane for 1000 metres to a cross roads. Go left at Star Inn and up the hill past two cottages and a bungalow on your left. Go left at stile, hedge on your left and towards stile in hedge. Cross and seek next stile. Cross and further stile goes right. Ignore this and go ahead keeping hedge on right, up to stile on lane. Go left for 20 metres. Join footpath via stile, and head for stile at corner .

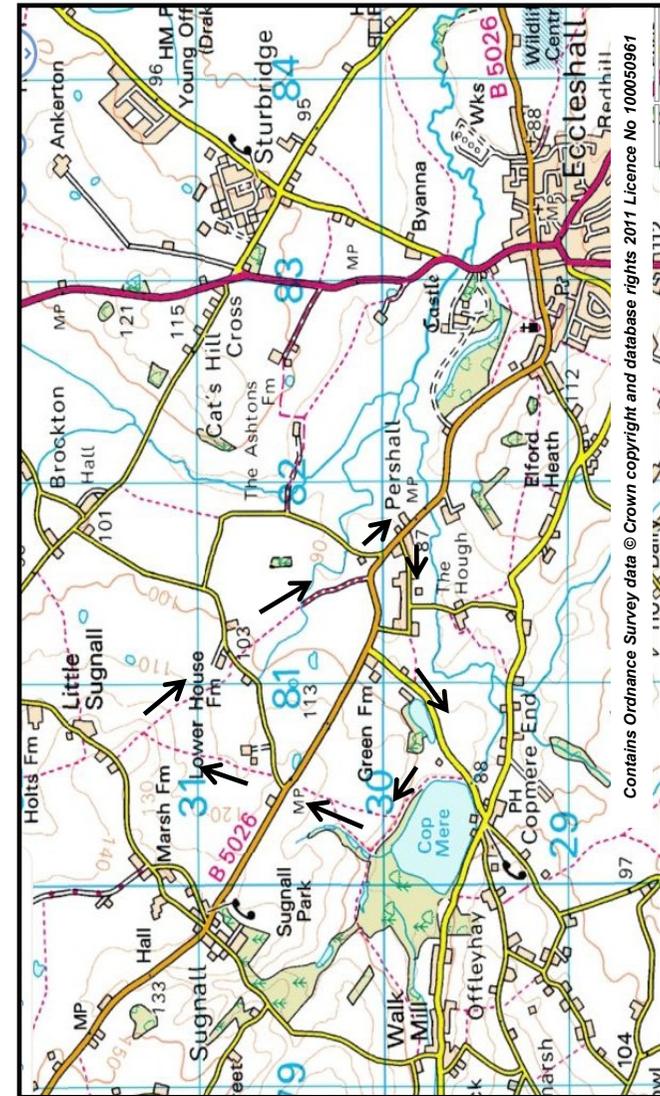
Our next bearing is left and ahead to stile at each end of a bridge. Cross and keep hedge on your left. Pass gap in hedge and cross stile. Go right for hedge corner and next stile. Go up field with hedge on your right, climb stile and bridge into lane. Go left past a number of properties and a new bungalow on left and join footpath that follows

field boundary, with hedge on your left.

Walk to stile and continue ahead, leaving field via. Gate. PLEASE CLOSE! Follow route to a further gate to lane. Avoid turning left here. Go ahead and up hill along lane until a lane joins from the left. Go right and follow lane until you reach a cross roads.

Go right for 700 metres and look for footpath on left. Join the path and continue along and down to kissing gate, the church is ahead and a seat welcomes walkers at the starting point.

**WALK 7 – COPMERE, LITTLE SUGNALL
AND SPRING LANE – DISTANCE 3.5 MILES**



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Our fourth out of town walk starts from Copmere End, about 1.5 miles from Eccleshall. Leave Town on the B5026 heading for Loggerheads and after leaving the 30m.p.h. zone, take the third lane to the left, signposted Copmere. There is room to park about three cars on the left, about 150 yards from the Star Inn. Walk back towards the B5026 for a few yards to a ladder stile on your left that is known locally as Jacob's Ladder. Climb over this and into the field.

With Copmere on your left, follow the hedge and cross two stiles. Head uphill to your right, following the hedge. Cross the stile by the gate to reach B5026.

Cross the main road and take first lane on the right by the milestone. Proceed down the lane for 25 metres and cross a stile on left. After 5 metres cross a further stile and join the grounds of Woodlands Farm. Keep tight to hedge on left and pass pool on right, up to a stile in the corner. Cross stile and go into a small field with a stile in a tree lined hedge.

Cross the ditch into the field and, keeping the pylon on your right, head across to a footbridge with a stile at each end. Ahead you will see two pits surrounded by trees. Walk between these and go uphill to reach a knoll overlooking the

valley. There are way markers here and you need to turn right, keeping a copse on your left and aiming for a large oak tree towards the left-hand end of the hedge facing you.

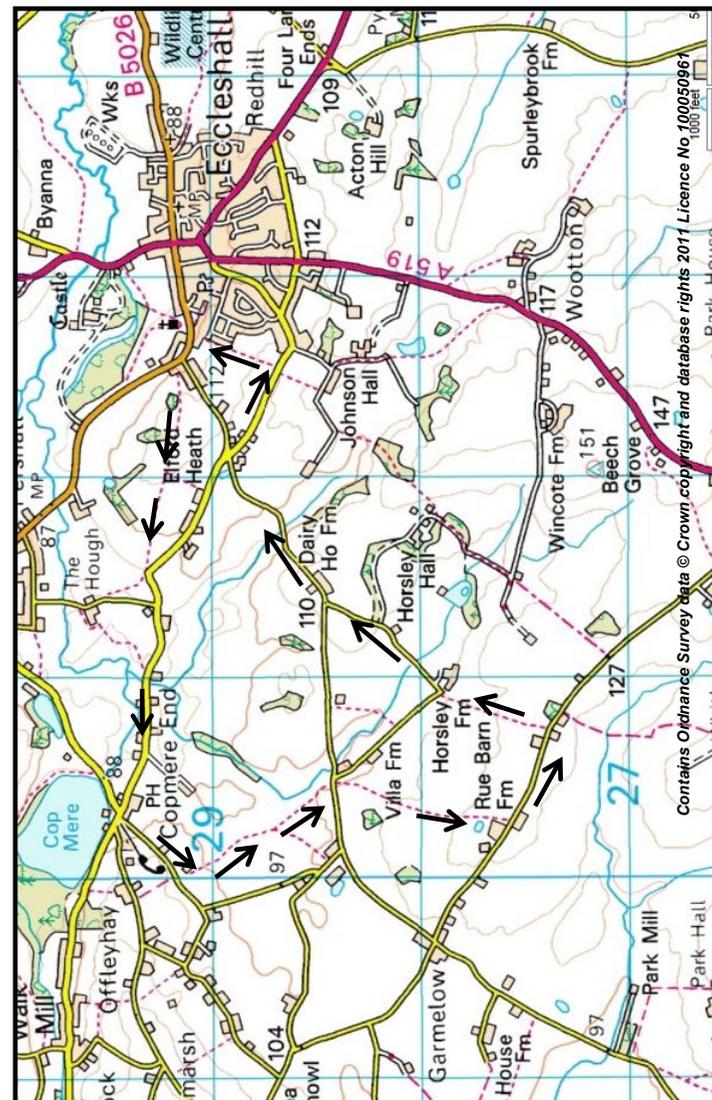
Follow the path past Lower House Farm, through the gate and straight across the lane to a stile. Walk straight ahead across the meadow to a stile and then through another meadow slightly left to a gate and stile.

Join Spring Lane, aptly named, and follow this to the B5026. Cross the road and turn left towards Eccleshall. In 200 yards you will reach a lane and a seat on your right.

Follow this lane straight through the hamlet of Pershall. Ignore the lane on your left and proceed forward to a wicket gate with a stile alongside. Head for the large trees slightly to your left and cross the stile.

Follow the hedge round to your right and cross the stile into the lane. Turn left and return to your starting point.

WALK 3 – ECCLESHALL- COPMERE, GARMELOW DISTANCE 4 MILES



WALK 4 – CROXTON, LODGE LANE, BLORE PIPE, LANGOT LANE, ARMSDALE LANE, DISTANCE 4.33 MILES.

Leave Eccleshall on the Loggerheads Road B5026, and drive 3 miles to Croxton. Turn left at the crossroads. After 50 yards take the right fork and then bear left into Windmill Lane. Continue along the lane for about a mile until you reach a 'T' junction by Rowley House Farm. Turn left and after 200 yards you will see a broad grass verge on your right. Park here at Grid Reference GR SJ 779316 and ensure that you leave sufficient room for agricultural vehicles to pass.

Walk away from the road up the green lane until it swings to the right. There is a farm gate in front of you. From here are beautiful views across the Langot Valley and, on a good day, clear views of The Wrekin and the Shropshire Hills.

Walk downhill. Note the walls and cutting through the rock outcrop. At the bottom of the track turn left through a metal gate to join another bridle path. Do not follow the footpath that goes straight ahead. This route was re-opened in 2002 after a long campaign to settle an access dispute. You will see evidence of stone walling on both sides of the lane. Walk through a second metal gate and enter a beautiful grassy valley. Follow this to the bottom and then up a slight incline to a third metal gate. **PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL GATES ARE CLOSED.**

Go down the enclosed lane to a final metal gate and a stile that takes you onto Langot Lane. Turn right and walk along the lane for a mile, past Daddies Barn Farm to GR SJ 766321. The bridleway you want is on the right-hand side, immediately before a cottage.

Follow the bridle path to the end, and cross the stile on your right by Armsdale House into the field. Head towards a mound in the field just ahead of the wood. Walk between the mound and the large tree that is in the middle of the field. Keep to the left-hand side of the mound. Follow the line of the small valley and climb up to a wall, stile and gate. Pass two pools.

Dogs on leads, please, by the farm – At the 'T' junction in the tracks turn left towards Greatwood Lodge Farm and pass through two metal gates. Close these and turn right onto the farm drive to a lane. Turn right. After a few yards turn left and climb some steps to a stile. Cross this and walk down the field, keeping the hedge on your right. Carry on down the field, crossing two more stiles. Join a track and go right to a 'T' junction. Turn left onto the metalled lane down to the B5026 near to The Vernon Yonge Arms. Take the footpath to the right of the restaurant and climb up to a metal kissing gate. Keep the pool on your left up to another metal kissing gate and go into a stone-walled track.

Turn right at GR SJ 783325. After another 30 yards turn right. Climb to the top of the hill, with a cottage on your left, and then downhill

WALK 6 - CATSHILL CROSS, ANKERTON, SLINDON, BADEN HALL - DISTANCE 4 MILES



WALK 6 - CATSHILL CROSS, ANKERTON, SLINDON, BADEN HALL - DISTANCE 4 MILES

Leave Eccleshall by A519 towards Newcastle. After about 1.5 miles go right at cross roads and park by bungalow on green triangle of grass.

Take lane to Ankerton. Proceed along lane until you reach a stile and a sign post. Cross stile and walk across the field, keeping the hedge on your left. When you reach an opening without a gate go right and climb stile over small wall and keep to left of bungalow down drive until you reach lane. Turn left to the main road, then right. Use the pavement past the church and several houses.

Look for driveway on right down side of cottage. Climb stile into meadow. Horses are in the field and dogs should be kept on leads.

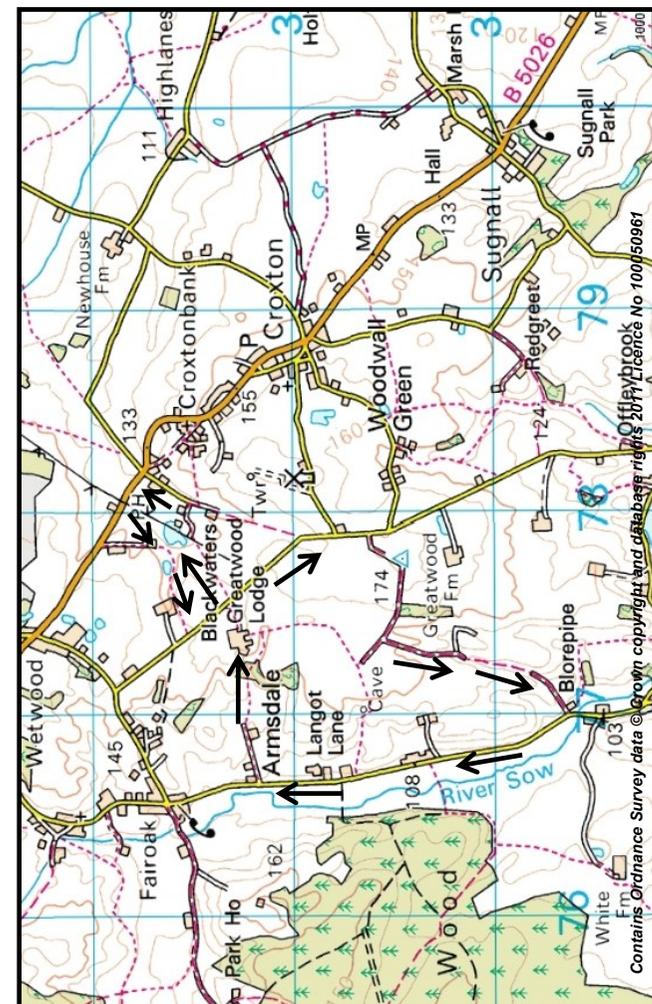
Climb stile and keep hedge on your left up to stile into open field and stile ahead by tree. Cross and keep hedge on your left. Cross further stiles and go left into lane. Look for concrete Jacob's Ladder on your right and go over. Follow tractor tracks to stile at side of railway. The route follows the side of the railway on left which is the London to Carlisle railway route and is well used.

Along the side of the railway is a series of stiles and a fenced path at the rear of cottages, which were formerly railway workers dwellings. Follow the fenced track and go right up to main road. Go right again and use pavement past Baden Hall and Eccleshall Rugby Club.

Drake Hall is on your right hand side. Go past Raleigh Hall Industrial Estate up to the cross roads and go right past the bungalow with the cats signs back to your starting point.

through a tree-lined lane. Cross the stile into a field. Follow the hedge on the left-hand side to a stile by a farm gate at the bottom of the field. Turn left onto a brideway. The section past the farmyard on the right tends to be very muddy but then gives onto a

green lane. Follow this for 500 yards and join Lodge Lane, a metalled road, on a bend. Turn left and walk 250 yards past Windmill Lane and Rowley House Farm on your left to return to your car.



WALK 4 - CROXTON, LODGE LANE, BLORE PIPE, LANGOT LANE, ARMSDALE

**WALK 5 – SLINDON, ASPLEY,
HIGH LANES, LITTLE SUGNALL
– DISTANCE 4.2 MILES**

Leave Eccleshall on the A519 to Newcastle, and drive through Slindon. At the far end of the village there is a sharp bend to the right and a lane turns left to Standon. Park on the wide verge on your left at GR SJ 825330.

Climb the stile and walk up the field with the remains of an old green lane on your left. This disappears near to the top of the hill but the path follows its course alongside the hedge. Climb another stile and then at the top of the field climb a double stile GR SJ 821330. Turn left and follow a grass track around the hen enclosures, turning a sharp right in the corner of the field at SJ 821329. Go through the gap on the left when you meet the hedge and cross the field diagonally to a stile by a house on the lane at GR SJ 817330.

Turn right and follow the metalled road to Aspley House Farm and Aspley Farm. Swing left in front of the farm and follow the road downhill to a farm track. Continue on the track until you come to a well-marked gate and stile on your left, GR 809328. Turn right and follow the hedge along the fields until you reach a bridge over Brockton Brook, GR SJ 804329. After crossing the bridge keep the hedge on your left.

Follow the hedge until you see an unmarked stile in front of you. Ignore this and cross the somewhat concealed stile and gate on your left in to a field. Aim very slightly right of the cottage that you can see across the field. Cross the stile and the metalled road at GR 803324 and head down the path to the right hand side of the cottage. At the far end of the cottage grounds there is a stile on the right. Enter the field and follow the route shown by marker discs across a series of double stiles to the lane at Little Sugnall. GR SJ 806316.

Turn left and then right into the grounds of the dog crematorium at SJ 807316. Walk diagonally across the field to a stile in a hawthorn hedge. Cross the next field with the pit hole on your left. The farm gate in the middle of the field at the bottom gives access onto the lane at Brockton, GR SJ 815318.

Turn right for 150 yards, then left at Brockton Villa. Walk past the barn conversions on your left. After you have passed the farm yard, look for a finger post and a sleeper over a ditch on your left, GR SJ 822320. Follow the arrows through stiles and three fields. Emerge into a large field with a hedge on your right. Head across the open part of the field towards a bungalow, join the hedge on left and pass through a grass lane to a metal lane. Turn right to the main road A519. Cross with care and turn left onto pavement. Walk back to your starting point.

**WALK 5 - SLINDON, ASPLEY, HIGH LANES, LITTLE
SUGNALL
DISTANCE 4.2 MILES.**

