

Beaconsfield New Town to Royal Standard Forty Green

circular walk with mostly paths, woods, fields crossing minor roads Distance = 4.5 miles /7.2km

With your back to the Town Hall Green, cross to Barclays Bank, cross Baring Road and proceed down Reynolds Road to the Library. Cross the road to follow a narrow path with a fence to your right. Reach an unmade footpath T junction. Turn left along this path and walk about 100m to reach a trifurcation of paths to your right. Take the middle of this trifurcation along a narrow path to reach the end of a cul-de-sac – Malkin Drive. Follow this road round to the left to reach a T junction with Woodside Avenue. Turn right and then cross the road and almost immediately left into a narrow-unmade path with a high fence on the left. Continue until the end until another road, cross straight over and continue to another unmade path. Follow until the end and another road junction this time with Egham's Wood Road. Cross this road to follow the path straight ahead to another road Hog Back Road. Crossover and into Hog Back Wood.

Entering the wood ignore paths left into the wood, right over a stile, take path straight down between 2 fields often with horses. The path goes down and then steeply uphill to a stile. A short flat stretch reaches another stile and a road. Opposite is Roundheads End, Livery stables to your left.

Turn left along the road passing the gates to the small livery on the left and down a short dip passing a sign posted path to the left. Do not follow this path. Continue along the road and shortly after this turn right up Brindle Lane – a short cul-de-sac. Reaching the top of the short hill the road becomes unmade and bears left. Straight ahead are fields. Follow the unmade road to the left. Continue until you reach a few houses and on your left The Royal Standard Public House for an **optional pit stop** http://www.rsoe.co.uk/

Return along the same unmade road back to the top of Brindle Lane. Bear left into the field through the stile. Turn sharp right along the cottage fence and through another stile and short path before another gate into a large field. Keep close to the right-hand border of this field heading downhill with the gardens of houses to your right. Walk up hill to the right-hand corner and through a kissing gate. The path continues uphill through a section of low bushes and compost piles from the houses on the right. Pass through another 2 kissing gates into the top field. Keep to the right-hand fence and follow round to another kissing gate. Go through to reach an unmade road between 2 houses.

As the road bears sharp left take the narrow path between fences eventually reaching the allotments on your left. Continue until the edge of the allotments and a kissing gate onto Forty Green Road. Turn left along Forty Green Road for a short distance, turn right into Eghams Close. Walk to the end and on the left follow a woodland path along the edge of garden boundaries and fences on the right and Threshers Wood on the left. Follow the path as it turns sharp right and then continues along the backs of houses until reaching a road – Woodlands Road. Cross straight over to another path. Follow this with a fence on the right and greenery on the left along the backs of gardens. Continue until you reach the trifurcation point and its junction with the main unmade path you started on.

Turn sharp left and follow this path about 100m until you see a path on the right up a short sharp slope and between a fence on the left and high trees on the right. This short path emerges on the green triangle opposite the library. Turn left along Reynolds Road to Waitrose and your starting point.

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