

King's Somborne Footpath Walks 2014

The programme of footpath walks listed below is as of 1 January 2014 and may be subject to change throughout the year. Please refer to the village website (www.thesombornes.org.uk – Directory – Footpath Walk) for the latest information.

Sunday 26 January 2014
2:00pm King's Somborne Village Hall
5½ miles (8¾ Km) 2¼ hours

We leave the village along Winchester Road and up Red Hill before turning onto the path past Ashley New buildings. At the crossroads we take the path across the field past Ashley Manor Farm and then over the hill to Chalk Vale before returning to the village past the beef unit and back along Winchester Road.

Sunday 23 February 2014
2:00pm King's Somborne Village Hall
4¾ miles (7½ Km) 2 hours

We cross Palace Field and alongside the churchyard to pick up the Clarendon Way alongside Cow Drove Hill. We follow the Clarendon Way past How Park and across the water meadows to Houghton. From Houghton, it is road walking past the site of Bossington village before taking the footpath along the line of the Roman road to Horsebridge and the footpath back to the village.

Sunday 30 March 2014
2:00 pm King's Somborne Village Hall
6 miles (9½ Km) 2½ hours

We leave the village along Winchester Road and take the path past the Beef Unit. We continue towards Up Somborne before turning left to take the steep path down to Little Somborne. At Little Somborne we head North to North Park Farm and the path back towards the village. We take the permissive footpath that avoids the A3057 and joins New Lane. Then it is down New Lane before returning to the Village Hall via footpath 14 and Muss Lane.

Sunday 27 April 2014
2:00 pm King's Somborne Village Hall
6¾ miles (10¾ Km) 2¾ hours

Bluebell Walk

We head out from the village along Winchester Road and up Red Hill. We follow the Clarendon Way past Hoplands then turn right along the bridleway through Luke Copse. At the end of the wood, we turn right at the T-junction and then right again along the byway

through Parnholt Wood. Then along Combe Bottom and Garlick Lane before taking the paths along the field edges back to Palace Field and the Village Hall.

Sunday 25 May 2014

2:00am King's Somborne Village Hall

7¾ miles (12½ Km) 3¼ hours

We leave the village on the footpath to Horsebridge where we turn south along the Test Way for 200m before turning right across the Test valley past Bossington. On the other side of the valley we turn left along the road before turning right onto the path past Pittleworth Farm. We cross the road at Little Wood and descend to the edge of Broughton where we cross the stream to join the Clarendon Way. We return to the village along the Clarendon Way past How Park before descending to Froghole.

Sunday 29 June 2014

2:00pm King's Somborne Village Hall

6¾ miles (10¾ Km) 2¾ hours

We leave the village via Froghole Lane and up the hill to join the Clarendon Way and on to the Test Way. Turning north we pass Marsh Court before turning north-east to cross the Stockbridge to Kings Somborne road. We follow the footpath along the track to North Park Farm before turning south to return to the village.

Sunday 27 July 2014

2:00pm King's Somborne Village Hall

7 miles (11 Km) 2¾ hours

We leave the village on the footpath to Horsebridge where we join the Test Way and head south to Lower Brook. We cross the A3057 and take the steep path up the hill (with a steel handrail). We cross the fields then turn east up to Michelmersh. At Michelmersh we turn left on to the road for a few metres and follow the path where the road ends. We pass through some woods and on reaching a farm track we turn left. We follow the track past Lower Eldon Farm and through Humbers Wood back to the village.

Sunday 31 August 2014

2:00pm King's Somborne Village Hall

7¼ miles (11½ Km) 3 hours

We leave the village along Winchester Road and up Red Hill before turning onto the path past Ashley New buildings. At the cross roads we take the path across the field past Ashley Manor Farm and the Roman Settlement and on to Gypsy Lane. We turn north along Gypsy Lane. At the end of Gypsy Lane we turn left along Chalk Vale for 250m and then turn right along Chalk Hill to pick up the footpath past the beef unit. We return to the Village Hall along Winchester Road.

Sunday 28 September 2014
2:00pm King's Somborne Village Hall
6½ miles (10½ Km) 2¾ hours

We leave the village along Winchester Road and up Red Hill. We follow the Clarendon Way past Hoplands to Ashley Down where we join the road for ½ mile before turning North along Gypsy Lane. After ¼ mile we turn West past the Roman Settlement and on to Ashley before returning along the Ashley straight and back to the village.

Sunday 26 October 2014
2:00pm King's Somborne Village Hall
6¼ miles (10 Km) 2½ hours

We start by walking over the fields to Eldon Road and then south along Eldon Road to pick up the path through Humbers Wood to Lower Eldon Farm. From there we take the path to Brook and on to the Test Way. We turn north along the Test Way, passing Horsebridge and on to How Park before returning to the village via Froghole.

Sunday 30 November 2014
2:00pm King's Somborne Village Hall
5½ miles (8½ Km) 2¼ hours

We leave the village heading south along the path to Eldon Road and then east to Furzedown Road before taking Garlick Lane to Hoplands. On joining the Clarendon Way we turn north past the old gallops and then take the footpath past Ashley New Buildings and the road down to the Ashley crossroads. From there we walk along Chalk Vale for 250m then turn left up the footpath to the Beef Unit. From the Beef Unit we turn left to return to the village.

Sunday 28 December 2014
2:00pm King's Somborne Village Hall
3½ miles (5¾ Km) 1½ hours

We start by heading across Palace Field and along the bridleway that heads south-west (Path 505). On reaching Romsey Road we cross the road and follow the Roman road to Horsebridge and onto the Test Way. Then it is north along the Test Way and back to the village via the Clarendon Way and Cow Drove Hill.