Wokingham Way - Section 3 Knowl Hill to Shurlock Row

This section traverses rich agricultural land and passes through Waltham St Lawrence, an ancient settlement where there are many listed domestic buildings.

Distance: 4½ miles

OS Map: Landranger 175, Explorer 159

Start: Lay-by on A4 at Knowl Hill SU822794 Postcode RG10 9UR

Finish: Southern end of Shurlock Row at junction of The Street and B3018 The Straight

Mile Grid ref SU833742. RG10 0PU Limited parking on The Street.

From the lay-by cross A4 and turn right on opposite pavement. Turn left down minor road, Knowl Hill Common. After 300 yards, just after passing Sunnyside, turn right onto Knowl Hill bridleway. Follow this narrow path between the golf courses for about ½ mile ignoring all crossings. At signed footpath junction by wood, fork right through kissing gate and follow track with copse on left. At lone oak tree, turn half left following the track across the railway to Church Farm. Once through the farm buildings bear half left towards double wooden gates with Waltham St Lawrence church on your left. Cross the stile by the gates and enter the village square to see the Bell public house.

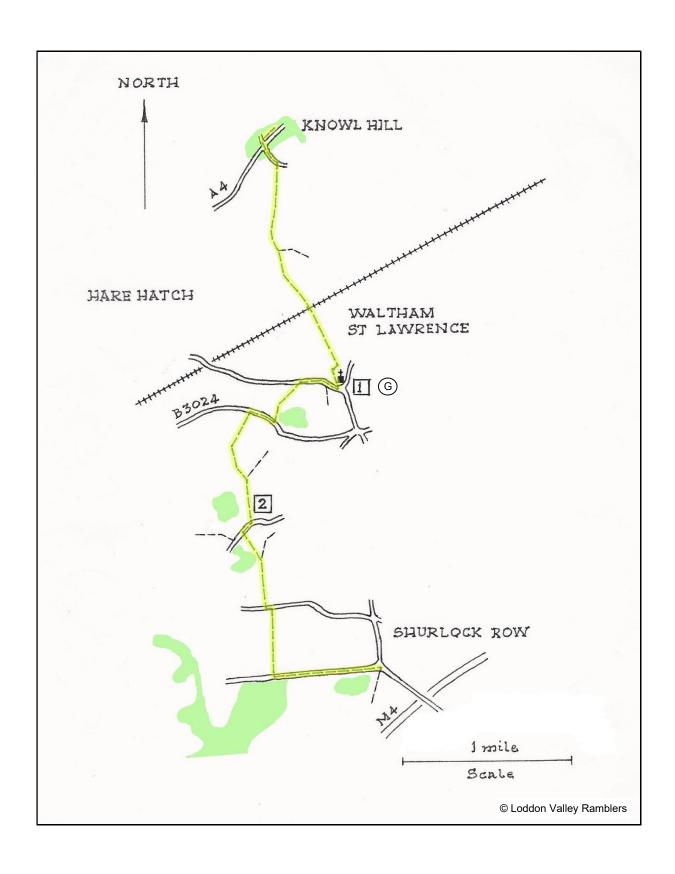
Trom village square turn right along Milley Road. Ignore the first two footpath signs and after 500 yards fork left along the Knowl Hill bridleway (Nut Lane) opposite driveway to The Dene. At junction with Twyford Road, turn right along road. Turn left on track signed Blueys Farm (opposite St Lawrence Orchards). Follow track between fields as it bends left, then right and straightens. Pass through two small metal gates next to large metal field gates and continue on a grass field path to the next kissing gate beside wooden field gate and wooden shelter. Go through the gate and turn right on to a hedged track (Mire Lane).

2 At T-junction of Mire Lane with West End Road, turn right and then after 60 yards (opposite entrance to Viners) turn left through a kissing gate. Continue with fence on left to pass through another kissing gate to a track through woods. At footpath junction turn right over wooden footbridge and then cross the field passing just to the right of an oak tree. Cross three wooden footbridges and continue with a ditch on left to the road. Turn left then immediately right on to Wicks Lane. At the T-junction with a road (The Straight Mile), cross over, turn left and walk along the verge for about 3/4 mile to junction with The Street.

For information on public transport back to the start point, click here

When you walk this route, if you find any problems with map or instructions, please advise the Loddon Valley Ramblers' Footpaths Officer at paths@lvra.org.uk, with a description of the problem and enough information to identify the location, ideally with a grid reference. Thank you!

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Legend Text reference Point of interest

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