Walk 1 The Parish Walk

Length: 10 miles approx.
Duration: 6 hours approx.
Terrain: Some steep footpaths, muddy paths when wet, gravel and dirt lanes, tarmac roads and lanes.
Start Point: Car Park at Village Hall

Start...

- Walk between supermarket and library to the *Wareham Road*. Cross over into *Phelipps Road* and stay on left hand side.
- Walk around curve of the road and look for red post box.
- Turn left on to tarmac path and proceed straight ahead on to the bridleway that follows the Roman road.
- Turn left and start your walk anti-clockwise around the village.
- Follow the Bridleway (no.1) - often muddy, until you reach *Blandford Road* at *Rushcombe Bottom*.
- Turn left and cross road into wide bridleway (no.2).
- Keep to the left path signed to Merley Park Road. Fairly steep incline to Barrow Hill then wide flat bridleway to *Merley Park Road*.
- Turn right, cross road to Bridleway (no.6). Walk through the woods (several different paths) and come out at the end of *Pine Road*. This area is known as East End.
- Proceed straight ahead over disused railway bridge and down stony bridleway towards Lambs' Green, passing Lady Wimborne cottages on left and converted chapel on right at the end of the bridleway.
- Turn left and walk up lane to the *Lambs' Green*.
- At T junction with Wimborne road cross over into *Candys Lane*.

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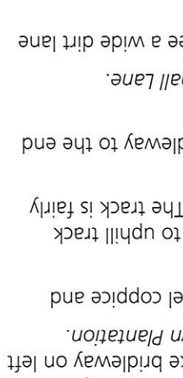
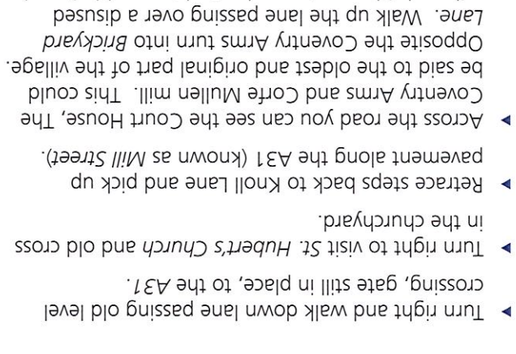
A series of walks around the parish of Corfe Mullen, prepared by the Parish Council, to become a lasting celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of 2012.



The walks are circular, the directions anticlockwise and are of various lengths. They encompass beautiful scenery, different types of terrain including footpaths, bridleways, stony paths and some roads.

Historical interest is interspersed along the way for your enjoyment.The Historical Information leaflet will give further details about points of interest.

Walk 2 - 3¾ Miles **Walk 3** - 4½ Miles **Walk 4** - 5½ Miles



Follow the details in this leaflet and the special waymarkers to take you around

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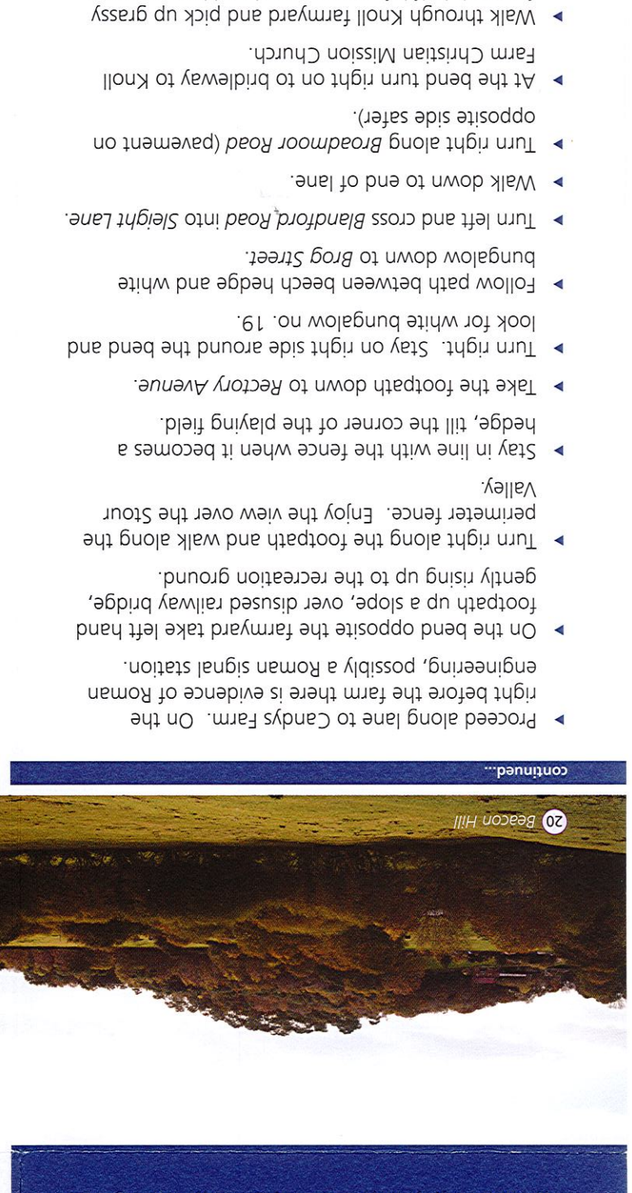
The Parish Walk



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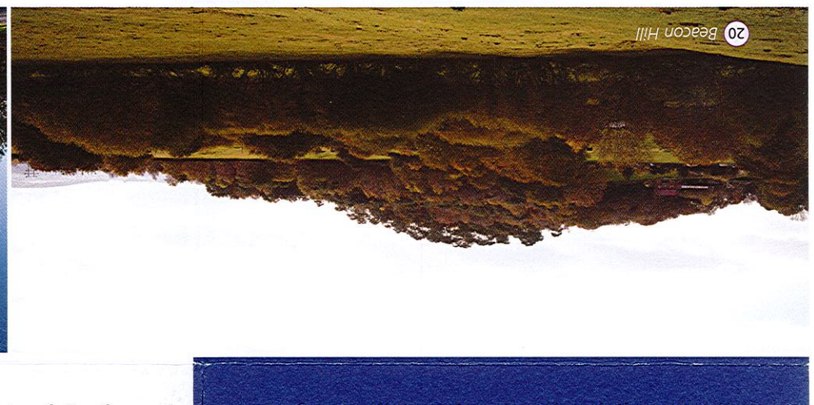
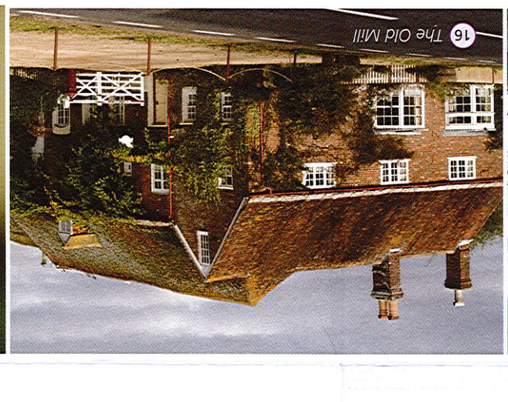
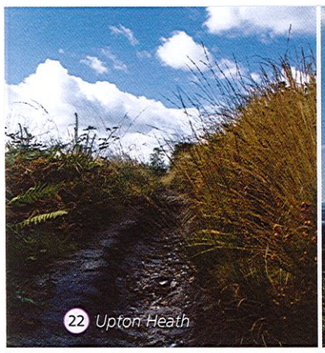
continued...

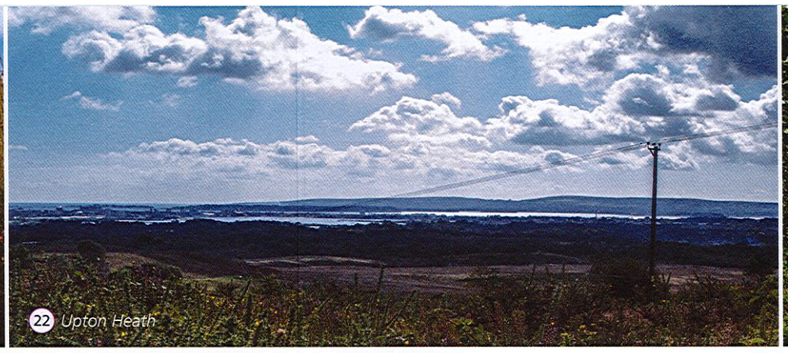
- Proceed along lane to Candys Farm. On the right before the farm there is evidence of Roman engineering, possibly a Roman signal station.
- On the bend opposite the farmyard take left hand footpath up a slope, over disused railway bridge, gently rising up to the recreation ground.
- Turn right along the footpath and walk along the perimeter fence. Enjoy the view over the Stour Valley.
- Stay in line with the fence when it becomes a hedge, till the corner of the playing field.
- Take the footpath down to *Rectory Avenue*.
- Turn right. Stay on right side around the bend and look for white bungalow no. 19.
- Follow path between beech hedge and white bungalow down to *Brog Street*.
- Turn left and cross *Blandford Road* into *Sleight Lane*.
- Walk down to end of lane.
- Turn right along *Broadmoor Road* (pavement on opposite side safer).
- At the bend turn right on to bridleway to Knoll Farm Christian Mission Church.
- Walk through Knoll farmyard and pick up grassy footpath half left across gravel and between two white buildings: this will take you down to *Knoll Lane*.





- Walk length of lane until you reach *Old Wareham Road*. Holme Bush Inn is on your right.
- Turn left, cross road and walk up to "T" junction at *Naked Cross*.
- On the right look for bridleway at the side of the landfill site, which takes you up to the Upton Heath. Take main path across the heath do not turn off right around the landfill site.
- Head half left towards *Beacon Road*. Exit on to Beacon Road and walk its length down to *Roman Road*.
- Turn left and walk up tarmac Roman Road until you come to a bridleway straight ahead which takes you up to *Springdale Road*.
- Cross straight over on to *Roman Road* and walk its length, some gravel then tarmac, up to junction with *Highfield* and *Lancaster*. Cross straight over and pick up Roman Road (as a footpath) behind the bus shelter. Information Board about the road at the start.
- Walk along the footpath, pass 1st turning left, until the path becomes gravel and descends downhill.
- Look for 2nd turning left which becomes a tarmac path, by gas installation box, down to *Phelipps Road*.
- Turn right and walk up to the *Wareham Road*.
- Cross road and turn left and then right into library gardens and car park.





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Candys Lane
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Coventry Arms (PH)
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Brickyard Lane
Blandford Road
Brog Street
East End
Recreation Ground
Rectory Ave.
Wimborne Road
Higher Merley Lane
Red Lane
Sleight Lane
Merley Park Road
Knoll Road
Old Market Road
Mountain Clump
Knoll Clump
Haywards Lane
Petrol Station
Orchard Lane
START
Village Hall
Phelipps Rd
Central Ave.
Broadmoor Road
Brook Lane
Wareham Road
Higher Blandford Road
Stony Down Plantation
Chapel Lane
Wareham Road
Waterloo Road
Rushall Lane
Decoy Pond
Naked Cross
Old Wareham Road
Roman Road
Holme Bush (PH)
Beacon Road
Upton Heath
Beacon Hill
Beacon Heath

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2. Roman Road
3. East End
4. Corfe Halt
5. Lady Wimborne Cottages
6. Lambs' Green Inn
7. High House
8. Roman Signal Station
9. Recreation Ground
10. Brog Street
11. Sleight
12. Knoll Farm
13. Level crossing
14. St. Hubert's Church
15. Coventry Arms
16. The Old Mill
17. Mountain Clump
18. Old Market Road
19. Holme Bush Inn
20. Beacon Hill
21. Beacon Hill Quarry
22. Upton Heath
24. Central Avenue and Central Hall

See 'History Notes' for detailed information