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Sutton Valence or Harrietsham to Pluckley

The Greensand Way along a gentle Kentish ridge

Length: Starting from Sutton Valence 17.7km (11 miles)
Starting from Harrietsham 15.9km (9.9 miles)

Toughness: 3 out of 10: gently hilly

Maps: OS Explorer 137, Landranger 189 (188 also needed for Sutton Valence start)

Features

This is a very pleasant, gentle section of the Greensand Way, going through typical Kentish countryside that includes apple orchards, pasture, a series of interesting churches attached to farms or manor houses, and fine escarpment views. For the most part the route is waymarked, but the waymarks have an annoying habit of disappearing at crucial points in the walk, hence these directions.

In places the path crosses arable fields or goes down the edge of orchards which could potentially be very muddy in winter, particularly as agricultural machinery is used in the orchards which can churn up the ground. There is sadly some evidence of orchards being grubbed up at present. There are a couple of modest bluebell woods, flowering in late April or early May.

The central part of the walk (from the Pepper Pot Inn to Egerton) runs about 2km to the south of the M20 motorway, which can produce a noticeable hum of noise if the wind is in the east or north. In such conditions there is also traffic noise on the Harrietsham start, which crosses the M20 motorway and heads southwards. However when the wind is southerly or westerly noise is minimal in both cases.

Walk options

Two possible starts to the walk are given here. By far the most attractive - as well as satisfying Greensand Way purists - is the one from **Sutton Valence**. But getting to it involves a 13 minute bus ride from Headcorn station, costing £3.80 at time of writing.

The **Harrietsham** start enables you to start from a railway station and saves you the bus fare, but this is potentially cancelled out by a more expensive train ticket - see **Transport** overleaf. Scenically it is much less interesting, crossing a motorway, arable fields and going through

coppiced woodland - enlivened by wood anemones in late March and early April and bluebells in late April and early May - but otherwise rather dull.

Transport

- For the **Sutton Valence start**, take the train from **London Charing Cross, Waterloo East** or **London Bridge to Headcorn**. Buy a **day return to Pluckley**. There are two trains an hour to Headcorn, but you want one that connects with the hourly **Arriva Bus 12** at Headcorn station. See www.arrivabus.co.uk/south-east/ for the latest bus times. Currently the **9.40** train from Charing Cross has a good connection and is advised if you want to get to The George in Egerton in time for lunch. For an early lunch at the Pepper Box the 10.40 from Charing Cross is sufficient.

The bus fare is currently £3.80. If you are a group of four it can be just as cheap to get a taxi from Headcorn station (there are usually some waiting) to Sutton Valence

Once on the bus, the journey takes 13 minutes. After a flat section, with a ridge seen ahead, the bus climbs a long steep hill up into Sutton Valence. Press the button during this climb to get off at the King's Head stop near the top of this hill.

If you miss a connection in Headcorn and have some time to wait for the bus, you can walk into the village and get the bus from there: go down the station approach and turn left on the main road for 400 metres or so to come to the very pretty village centre. The bus stop for Sutton Valence is opposite (on the other side of the road from) the George & Dragon Inn.

- For the **Harrietsham start**, take the train (one an hour) from **London Victoria** to Harrietsham. The **9.22** is advised if you want to get to The George in time for lunch, though the 10.22 might be OK for faster walkers. **A day return to Pluckley** might be accepted on this route if you explain you are on walk (it is on a different line entirely, but both are operated by Southeastern). Alternatively you can play safe by buying a **day return to Ashford International**, which is definitely valid for both lines but quite a bit more expensive.

There are currently two trains an hour back from **Pluckley** (one an hour on Sundays).

Lunch

The **Pepper Box Inn** in Fairbourne Heath (01622 842558), 5.3km (3.3 miles) from Sutton Valence and 3.5km (2.2 miles) from Harrietsham, is a very popular pub with excellent food at the junction of the two alternative starts for the walk. It is closed on Mondays, but serves food 12pm-2.15pm and 6-9pm Tuesday to Saturdays and 12-3pm on Sundays, with the pub open for drinks from 11.30am-3pm and 6pm-11pm Monday to Saturday and 12-5pm Sundays. Most of the inside is devoted to table service and even on weekdays it can be quite busy. However, there is an extensive area of outside tables which is accessible to non-reserved customers.

A later option is the **George** in Egerton (01233 756 599), 11.8km (7.3 miles) from Sutton Valence, 10km (6.2 miles) from Harrietsham, is a smart modern pub with plenty of space inside and a few tables outside, serving what looks like a fairly classic pub menu. It is open all afternoon and evening Wednesday to Sunday (its website says Monday and Tuesday also, but staff told me different in March 2022, so check.)

Tea

If you have had lunch at the Pepper Box, the **George** (see **Lunch** above) might make a mid afternoon tea stop.

Reachable by a 1.2km diversion off the walk route just before Pluckley village (directions given in paragraph 103 of the walk directions), the **Rose & Crown** (01233 840048) in Mundy Bois, is a pub in a delightful rural location, with comfortable sofas and a garden with charming views of the fields. It is open all afternoon daily for drinks, and serves food all afternoon on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, and from 12pm-2.30pm and 6pm-9pm Monday to Thursday.

The **Black Horse**, Pluckley, towards the end of the walk, is now a **restaurant (booking essential, and no drinks-only service)** and so no longer a possible tea stop.

The **Dering Arms** (01233 84037) by Pluckley station is a former hunting lodge which is now an award-winning seafood restaurant. Booking is necessary to eat there, but you can have drinks in its cosy bar area and also at a few outside tables. It is open to 3pm and from 6pm Tuesday to Saturday, but only until 4pm on Sundays. Closed Mondays.

WALK DIRECTIONS

For the **Harrietsham start**, go to paragraph 34 on page 5.

Sutton Valence to the Pepper Box Inn (5.3km/3.3 miles)

1. Getting off the bus at the King's Head stop in Sutton Valence cross the road and turn right to retrace your steps downhill, passing Sutton Valence Primary School on your right and the gates of Sutton Valence School on your left.
2. In 200 metres, 30 metres *before* the King's Head pub, turn left up a side lane, signposted Greensand Way.
 - **An attractive alternative**, passing through the very pretty village centre of Sutton Valence, is to turn left on the road just **past** the King's Head. Keep straight on ignoring ways off to the right. In 300 metres keep to the left of a chapel on a road climbing uphill. In 70 metres the raised footway to the left of the road becomes much higher. In another 150 metres, at the top of the hill, the footway ends by a house on the left. In another 100 metres the Greensand Way joins down steps from the left. Resume the directions in paragraph 8.
3. In 150 metres, where the tarmac ends, keep on up a track with the grand buildings of Sutton Valence School to your left.
4. In 100 metres more emerge into an open space and keep on along its right-hand edge. In 40 metres ignore a signposted path down steps to the right.
5. In 100 metres more pass through a field boundary and keep to the right-hand edge of the next open space.
6. In 100 metres pass a hedge. In another 50 metres ignore a track forking right through a fieldgate (and a path down wooden steps to the right just before it), to keep straight on between trees left and a hedge right.
7. In 60 metres more, in the far corner of the field, keep straight on down some wooden steps to the road.
8. Stay on this road, ignoring ways off. In 350 metres you come to a crossroads with Boyton Court Road right and Pleasure House Lane left. **Here there is a choice.**
 - **The official route of the Greensand Way** is to veer left through a gap marked by a concrete footpath sign into a commercial orchard. If you do this, carry on with the directions in paragraph 9 below.
 - An **alternative**, less muddy in winter, is to **stay on the road** by going straight ahead at the crossroads. In 450 metres the road turns left around a brick house. In 80 metres turn right at a road junction signposted Greensand Way and resume the directions in paragraph 14 overleaf.
9. Having veered left through the gap into an orchard, the path should carry on diagonally across the orchard but this way has been blocked by new planting. Instead, if no other way is indicated, keep along the right-hand edge of the field, parallel to your former direction, with the road over the hedge to your right.
10. In 250 metres turn left, following a Greensand Way sign, up a slightly wider gap in the rows of fruit trees.
11. In another 70 metres turn half right to pass to the left of three large trees and go on up a narrow path diagonally across the rows.
12. In 150 metres, at the end of this section of fruit trees, go across an open space and a track and on into another area of fruit trees in 40 metres, following a green footpath sign.
13. In 100 metres, at the end of the plantation, turn left for 20 metres and then right past a fieldgate to come to a

- road junction. Keep straight on across this down a road, ignoring roads left and right, following a Greensand Way sign.
14. In 250 metres there is a church on your right. The mansion just visible beyond it is in fact a Young Offenders Institution and women's open prison, **East Sutton Park**. *(If you are of a nose disposition, you can get a better view of it by entering the churchyard: the church is usually locked, but is open 10am to 4pm on the first Saturday of the month from May to September, when it does teas).*
 15. 450 metres after the church, where the road ends at a T-junction, keep straight ahead through a metal gate and carry on downhill on a broad fenced strip between fields.
 16. In 200 metres pass through a gate into another field and keep to its left-hand edge.
 17. In 80 metres, at the bottom of the dip, you cross a tiny stream on a concrete culvert. The right of way veers right, away from the fence here, but the path (signposted from the other direction) keeps straight on along the fence to pass through a fieldgate in 100 metres.
 18. Beyond this carry on up a grass strip with a hedge right to pass through another fieldgate in 100 metres or so. Turn left uphill beyond on a tarmac lane.
 19. In 120 metres turn right up a broad gravel driveway between houses, signposted Greensand Way.
 20. In 80 metres emerge on the left-hand edge of a field on a track.
 21. Keep straight on and in 200 metres pass into the next field and keep on up the left-hand edge of this.
 22. In 600 metres, level with a farm with a church in its midst, veer slightly left with the track to join a tarmac drive in 30 metres.
 23. In 40 metres there is a way up to the church on the left, if you want to visit it. *The churchyard has an **enormous yew tree** (and another that is merely big), along with an **impressive carpet of primroses** in late March and early April. Inside there are a couple of small medieval wall paintings.*
 24. Otherwise, stay on the drive for 40 metres more to cross a road (a bit busier than it looks) and keep straight on down a path to the left of a mossy-roofed cottage. Beyond it keep downhill through an area of brambles and small trees.
 25. In 200 metres, at the bottom of the hill, pass through a metal kissing gate and carry on along a wooded path.
 26. In another 100 metres pass through another kissing gate and keep straight on uphill across a rough grassy area (which can be a bit boggy due to a spring halfway up the hill on the left).
 27. In 150 metres go through a kissing gate and keep on uphill across an orchard.
 28. In 180 metres pass to the left of a line of very tall poplar trees, with polytunnels to your left.
 29. In 130 metres, in the field corner, **ignore a tempting car-wide gap** ahead and instead **take the hidden stile 10 metres to the left** with a yellow Greensand Way arrow.
 30. Follow a path that veers slightly left across the grassy slope, slightly uphill, ignoring a stile visible straight ahead.
 31. In 150 metres cross a stile in the far left-hand corner of the field (at the far end of a grass bank: with a Greensand Way arrow on it) and turn left uphill along the field edge.
 32. In 100 metres cross a stile in the field corner and turn left on a road.
 33. Follow the road around to the right in 40 metres. In another 300 metres, 150 metres after passing a barn on your right, the Greensand Way is signposted to the right through a gap in the hedge.
 - **To continue the walk**, turn right through this gap and refer to paragraph 53 on page 6.
 - **For the Pepper Box Inn**, stay on the road for another 170 metres. After lunch retrace your steps back down the road. In 170 metres turn left up the signposted path and refer to paragraph 53 on page 6.

Harrietsham to the Pepper Box Inn (3.5km/2.2 miles)

34. From platform 2 at Harrietsham station, the platform you alight on if coming from London, cross the footbridge to exit the station. Turn left down the station approach road.
35. In 100 metres the road curves right downhill and in another 100 metres comes to a T-junction. Go right here.
36. In 30 metres go left down Forge Meadow, a dead end road.
37. In 100 metres, where the road turns right at its end, keep straight on up a tarmac path between garden fences.
38. In 60 metres go straight across a road (Cricketers Close) and on up a tarmac path.
39. In 50 metres cross a main road and turn right along its far side. In 60 metres turn left up Fairbourne Lane, signposted to Fairbourne Heath.
40. Cross over the railway line (the high speed line to the Channel Tunnel) and the M20 motorway. 70 metres after the railway bridge ignore Pollhill Lane to the right and keep ahead on the road.
41. **Take care initially on this road, as it is narrow between steep verges. There is little traffic, but what does come can be fast moving.** In 50 metres there is a wider verge on the left.
42. Follow this meandering lane, which starts to climb in 200 metres. In 100 metres more it sweeps left at a sort of T-junction. Turn right here up a side lane, ignoring a signposted footpath to the left in 10 metres.
43. In 150 metres, as the lane crests a rise, turn left through a metal gate up a signposted footpath up the right-hand edge of an arable field
44. In 100 metres there may or may not be a gap in the field boundary to your right. There is some ambiguity about which side of the field boundary the right of way follows, but your onward route is straight uphill along the field boundary, on whatever side of it seems to be in use.
45. Either way, in 300 metres the hedgerow dividing the two fields ends. In 100 metres more the path curves left with the field boundary and in another 100 metres comes to a signposted crosspaths. Go straight on here to the field corner. (There is a **nice view** backwards towards the North Downs at this point.)
46. In 200 metres, 10 metres after the field corner, fork left up a path into an area of coppiced trees.
- **Coppicing** - cutting down a tree and letting it grow in shoots from its stump - looks rather drastic, but is in fact a very traditional way of managing woodland, which allows for a regular harvest of wood and encourages woodland flowers and other biodiversity. In medieval times most woods would have looked like this, apart from the occasional large trees that were left to supply structural timber. Surprisingly, coppicing also makes the tree live much longer: there is charming speculation that native British trees evolved this ability to regrow to counter being eaten by elephants, which lived in these islands till 40,000 years ago.
47. In 100 metres more fork left again, initially uphill.
48. Ignore ways off. (There are **wood anemones** on the next section in late March and April, and **bluebells** in late April and early May.) In 500 metres you pass a mature tree on your right, and in 100 metres another on your left. After this the track curves right.
49. You pass a few more mature trees. In another 170 metres, a path joins from the right. In 5 metres more **turn left** up another path, between two large trees.
- If you miss this turning you end up in 200 metres at a road with the entrance to Hill Farm East just ahead. Turn left on this road for 220 metres to come to the junction in paragraph 50 - take the right fork slanting off the road here, and continue with the directions in paragraph 51.*
50. In 250 metres cross a road (with care, as there are some fast cars along here) and slant left up a side road on the far side.
51. In 120 metres turn right at a T-junction.
52. In 250 metres you pass the **Pepper Box Inn** on the left. 170 metres past the pub, turn left up a signposted

footpath, joining the Greensand Way, and carry on with the directions below.

The Pepper Box Inn to Egerton (6.5km/4 miles)

53. Keep straight on across a field for 80 metres to pass to along the **right-hand side** of a hedge (not the left as seems more obvious, though in fact either side is fine).
54. In 350 metres, at the end of the field, pass through a gap in the hedge to cross a road.
55. Veer one third left across the next field, aiming for a point about two-fifths along its far edge (if counting from the right-hand corner), or in winter for the right-hand end of a large clump of holly in the otherwise brown wood edge.
56. In 250 metres enter a wood (actually an overgrown cobnut plantation from the look of it) and keep straight on through it on a car-wide path.
57. In 250 metres turn left on a road for 10 metres and then turn right to carry on along a grassy/muddy track along the right-hand edge of a field, following a footpath sign.
58. In 180 metres, at the end of the field, **ignore** a car-wide track into the field to the right, and instead go through a narrower gap into the field ahead. Again keep to its right-hand side.
59. The official path exits this field through a small gap at its far end in 100 metres, but it is easier to use a gap to the right in 50 metres and then merge with a road.
60. Either way when the road turns left (or after crossing the road if you came through the small gap) pass into the next field (a newly planted orchard) and veer one third left across it.
61. In 180 metres pass through a small gap marked by a footpath post with a yellow arrow, ignoring a car-wide gap to its left.
62. Follow a path along the left-hand side of a wood. In 170 metres pass through a kissing gate and then veer slightly right across a field.
63. In 250 metres pass through a kissing gate and carry on between garden hedges. In another 130 metres you come to a road. Cross this and take the path up stone steps 5 metres to the right.
64. Follow this path between garden fences. In 100 metres there are stables and a horse exercise ground to the right, and possibly new houses being built to the left. In another 100 metres you are on a wooded strip between fields (with some **bluebells** in season).
65. In 250 metres you emerge into a field. Follow the left-hand edge of this, with a fine view to your right and the church of **Boughton Malherbe** ahead.
66. In 500 metres, when you come to the manor house and farm of Boughton, turn right with the track through the farmyard. In 80 metres turn left onto a road.
67. In 200 metres, 50 metres after the end of the churchyard, veer right steeply downhill on a tarmac lane, following the Greensand Way sign (*fallen over in 2022*).
68. In 150 metres, just after the entry phone of a house and before the fieldgate to it, veer right across a stile into a field.
69. Ignore a stile to the right and follow the garden hedge around to the left, with a fine house uphill to your left.
70. In 130 metres, just past the house, keep straight ahead through a gate, ignoring a gate to the left into the house garden. Keep on along the line of the slope with the garden fence to your left.
71. In 150 metres cross a stile and footbridge. The way ahead across this area of rough grass is **not at all distinct**. You need to veer slightly right (*that is to say **not** straight ahead on the faint path that may be visible*).
72. In 100 metres or so, keep to the right of (ie below) a rough ridge of earth that goes along the field. Join a path visible below this which contours the slope, gradually aiming for the right-hand edge of the open space. Here, just after a small area of trees on the right, is a well-hidden stile and footbridge.
73. Cross the stile and carry on slightly to the left downhill towards a stile visible in the far left-hand corner of the field.

74. In 200 metres cross this stile and turn left along the field edge with a garden fence to your left.
75. In 70 metres, where the garden ends with a solar panel array to your left, veer slightly right downhill across an arable field. (If a path is not evident, aim for a footpath post just about visible in the wood edge below).
76. In 300 metres, when you get to the wood edge, bear left along it.
77. In 350 metres, at the end of the field, turn right on a track, and then in 25 metres turn left through a metal gate and across a footbridge into a huge grassy field. Keep to the right-hand edge of this.
78. In 350 metres, in the far corner of the field, pass through a kissing gate to the right and turn left to pass through another kissing gate in 30 metres and enter a wood, crossing a footbridge. This is another **bluebell** wood in season.
79. In 70 metres cross another footbridge. In another 40 metres leave the wood via a kissing gate. Turn left diagonally up across this long field, heading for its far (upper) corner 200 metres away.
80. When you get to the corner, pass through a wooded strip and through a kissing gate. Turn left beyond it on a track, to pass in 25 metres through a kissing gate into another field.
81. Turn right uphill across this new field, heading for its top edge.
82. In 150 metres, at the top of the field, go up steps and pass through another kissing gate. Veer left, aiming somewhat to the left of a white house on a hill.
83. In 250 metres pass through a kissing gate about 50 metres to the left of the house. Veer slightly left across a road and carry on up a side road, signposted Greensand Way.
84. Keep on up a track past houses and stables for 250 metres, and then carry on along a broad strip between hedges.
85. In 200 metres, at a crosspaths, keep straight on down the right-hand side of an orchard.
86. In 150 metres follow the field boundary round to the right, but in 10 metres turn left across the orchard, heading just to the left of Egerton church on a clear path.
87. In 130 metres the path makes another kink to the right and then turns left again to resume its former direction, heading for a point just to the left of the church.
88. In 200 metres enter the churchyard and turn right uphill towards the church. Pass to the right of it to emerge onto the road, and turn right.
89. In 80 metres **Egerton Village Stores** is on the left, and in another 70 metres the **George** is on the left.

Egerton to Pluckey Village **(3.6km/2.2 miles)**

90. Turn left just after the pub onto New Road: then immediately right onto "New Road, leading to Elm Close".
91. In 80 metres turn left with the road.
92. In another 40 metres, just after you pass three benches to the right, veer right across a parking area and up a grassy bank, following a yellow arrow on a post, and on down a path between house gardens left and a fenced-off wooded slope to your right.
93. Follow this fenced path along the edge of a field. In 300 metres you come to a road and turn right on it.
94. In 70 metres you pass the entrance to Stone Hill Barn left. In another 50 metres, just after a 30mph sign on the left, turn left up a tarmac driveway to Stone Hill Farm.
95. In 60 metres, just after you pass Stone Hill Oast left, veer right down a concrete track, passing through a gate to the right of the rightmost of two fieldgates.
96. In 200 metres cross a stile to the right of a fieldgate. Keep straight on along the top of a field on a wide grassy shelf.
97. Continue along the contour of the hill to come in 250 metres to a fieldgate (or more correctly, two metal pedestrian gates on either side of a footbridge 30 metres to its right). Pass through this/these and continue along the top of the next field, keeping to its left-hand edge as it curves left away from the escarpment edge.

- 98.** In 300 metres pass through a metal kissing gate, climb up steps and turn right downhill on a road.
- 99.** In 80 metres, just after a house on the left (*with the characteristic arched windows of the Dering estate, which owned this area until 1928*), and where the road curves right, go straight ahead through a kissing gate. Turn left along the top of a field to pass through another kissing gate in 60 metres.
- 100.** After this second kissing gate cross a footbridge and turn half right downhill to cross a ditch in 70 metres at a point indicated by a footpath post (ignoring another footpath post further up the ditch).
- 101.** Beyond the ditch veer right to cross a stile in 40 metres. Keep on down the right-hand edge of the next field.
- 102.** Pass two more fences (there used to be stiles, but now there are just gaps), one in 100 metres and another 150 metres after that, still keeping to the right-hand edge of the field.
- 103.** In another 250 metres cross a stile to the left of a fieldgate. Beyond turn right to merge with a gravel track and pass through gateposts (*a fieldgate missing here*) in 30 metres. *To continue with the main walk refer to paragraph 104 opposite.*
- **To divert to the Rose & Crown in Mundy Bois** for tea, adding **1.2km** to the walk length, stay on this track, merging with a road in 70 metres. Keep on down this for 700 metres to a crossroads, then go left. The Rose & Crown is on the right in 130 metres. Coming out of the Rose & Crown turn right on the road. In 50 metres turn left up Elvey Lane. In 320 metres ignore a footpath to the left. In another 150 metres the road curves left. 60 metres after this point ignore the gravel driveway to Honey Farm to the right, but take the signposted footpath to the right just beyond it, along the field edge, with the garden of Honey Farm to your right. In 130 metres, where the hedge ends, with a arable field ahead of you, turn left on a path along the field edge. In 400 metres this brings you to the wooden gate mentioned in paragraph 109 opposite.
- 104.** In another 5 metres **turn left** through a kissing gate onto a path fenced off from a field.
- 105.** In 250 metres turn left across a footbridge and through a kissing gate. Go half right across a field to pass through another kissing gate in 80 metres. Keep on in the same direction across the next field.
- 106.** In 250 metres pass through a gate between two fieldgates and keep on through Elvey Farm, passing a wooden building to your right in 60 metres and an open barn to your right in 60 metres more.
- 107.** Just after the barn go through a fieldgate and keep on down the right-hand edge of the field beyond.
- 108.** In 250 metres pass through a gate in the far corner of the field. In 60 metres more turn right through double metal fieldgates, and then turn left beyond with a ditch to your left.
- 109.** In 120 metres veer left through a wooden gate. Beyond it turn right (ie resuming your former direction), initially with a fence to your right. After 60 metres, where the fence turns right, carry on uphill on a grassy path.
- 110.** In 300 metres pass through a gate and carry on in the same direction uphill.
- 111.** In another 200 metres pass through a gate onto a gravel path, passing through another gate in 10 metres.
- 112.** Keep to the right-hand side of the field beyond. In 100 metres pass through a gate and carry on down a track.
- 113.** In 150 metres turn right downhill on a road.
- Pluckley Village to Pluckley station (2.3km/1.4 miles)**
- 114.** Stay on this busy road using the pavement on its right-hand side. In 350 metres the road levels out at the bottom of the hill. In another 150 metres turn left up a signposted footpath, up the driveway to a house called Arden.
- 115.** in 10 metres, just before the gate of the house, fork right on a path between fences.
- 116.** In 120 metres pass through a kissing gate and go straight on up the right-hand edge of a field.

- 117.** In 70 metres go through a kissing gate and pass to the left of a shed to pass through another kissing gate to the right of a fieldgate in 20 metres. Veer left across the next field, heading for its far left-hand corner.
- 118.** In 170 metres, when you get to this corner, pass through a kissing gate and carry on down an overgrown path into a field. Keep to the right-hand edge of this field.
- 119.** In 130 metres cross a stile to the right of a fieldgate and in 10 metres turn left on a road.
- 120.** In 20 metres take the footpath to the right over a stile.
- 121.** In 100 metres emerge into a field and go diagonally across it.
- 122.** In 170 metres, in the far left-hand corner of the field, cross a wooden bridge and stile, and climb half right across the field beyond, heading towards two small trees whose tops are just visible (NOT the two more fully visible trees more to the right).
- 123.** Cross the field for 300 metres. As you climb, the two small tree tops become a clump of trees: head towards a stile to the left end of these. (As you get closer still, you see the trees are in a line stretching away from you.)
- 124.** When you get to the stile, cross it and continue diagonally downhill across the next field, aiming for its far corner.
- 125.** In 300 metres exit the field by a stile in this corner and turn right on a road.
- 126.** In 300 metres you come to the **Dering Arms** on your left-hand side. Turn left on the road beside the pub and in 100 metres you come to **Pluckley Station**. Cross the footbridge for trains to London.