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## Henley via Stonor Circular

### Hidden valleys of the southern Chilterns

<b>Length:</b>	<b>Main walk</b>	23.4km (14.5 miles)
	<b>Via afternoon short cut (no lunch pub)</b>	19.1km (11.9 miles)
	<b>Old route to closed lunch pub in Pishill</b>	Adds 3.1km (1.9 miles)
	<b>Short walk</b>	14.4km (8.9 miles)

**Toughness:** 6 out of 10

**Maps:** OS Explorer 171, OS Landranger 175

### Features

Henley is normally thought of as a riverside town but, as this walk demonstrates, it is also on the southern edge of the Chiltern Hills, a charming area of hidden valleys, mixed woodland and farmland, and largely gentle slopes. The walk takes in all aspects of this scenery, including some fine beech woods which display golden colour in the autumn, as well as excellent panoramic views. This is also a wonderful walk in which to see red kites, a bird of prey that has been successfully re-introduced here, and which can often be seen wheeling slowly overhead.

Following the closure on 2020 of the original lunch pub for this walk - the Crown in Pishill - a new route has been created to take in lunch at the White Hart in Nettlebed. This also passes through some excellent woodland scenery. It is not clear if the Crown will reopen, but the route to it has been retained as an option: see below.

### Walk options

- **Afternoon short cut:** If you don't want to have lunch at the White Hart in Nettlebed, you can trim **4.3km (2.7 miles)** off the main walk by using this short cut at paragraph 39 of the walk directions on page 4, making the total walk **19.1km (11.9 miles)**. This does miss out some fine wood and hill scenery, however.

- The **route to the former lunch pub for this walk**, the Crown in Pishill, has been retained as an option in the GPX and directions, just in case the pub reopens. This route adds **3.1km (1.9 miles)** to the walk. However, when combined with the afternoon shortcut above it makes a walk of **22.2km (13.8 miles)**. *Note that the directions have not been checked or updated since 2020.*

- **Short walk:** A short walk up country lanes from the Rainbow Inn in Middle Assendon allows you to shorten the route to **14.4km (8.9 miles)**. This still takes in several of the best sections from the the main walk, and makes an excellent winter outing. *However, note that the lunch pub for this walk, the Rainbow in Middle Assendon, is currently (November 2024) closed and about to be sold: it is not clear if it will reopen as a pub.*

## Transport

There are twice hourly connections from **London Paddington** to Henley-on-Thames, changing at Twyford; though later in the evening the trains revert to hourly. Journey time is about one hour. If aiming for lunch in Nettlebed, get the train nearest to **9am**. A train an hour later would be fine for the Rainbow.

## Lunch and tea

*The **Rainbow Inn** in Middle Assendon, 5km (3.1 miles) into the walk, was formerly the lunch pub for the short walk and an early lunch option on the main walk. However in September 2024 it closed on the retirement of its licensee. In November 2024 it was showing a "Sale Agreed" sign. It is not yet clear if it will reopen as a pub.*

*The **Crown Inn** in Pishill, 10.9km (6.8 miles) from the start of the walk, was the former lunch stop for the main walk, but has been closed since 2020. The main walk route has now been diverted to the White Hart below.*

The **White Hart** in Nettlebed (01491 641245), 12.8km (8 miles) from the start of the walk, is the new lunch pub for the main walk. A former coaching inn that has been pleasantly modernised, it serves interesting and tasty food in large portions. It has a patio area out back with outside seating. It is open all afternoon daily and serves food all day, but with a reduced menu of sandwiches, salads, burgers and pizza from 3pm to 6pm. On Sundays there is a carvery from 12pm to 4pm.

**The Chocolate Cafe** Henley-on-Thames (01491 411412). There are many tea options in Henley, but this café, situated on the waterfront by the bridge has a particularly fine selection of chocolate cakes. It is open till 5pm daily, but sometimes later on summer weekends. This is the suggested tea stop on all the walks. The **Angel Inn** more or less across the road is a pleasant pub stop.

**Picnic:** A fine spot on the main walk is at the top of the hill in paragraph 34 on page 4, where you have a view of Stonor Park house.

## WALK DIRECTIONS

### Henley to Middle Assendon (5.2km/3.2 miles)

1. Coming out of Henley Station turn right down the station approach road.
2. In 50 metres turn right at a T-junction, immediately in front of the Imperial Hotel.
3. In 120 metres, at the riverfront, follow the road around to the left, with the River Thames to your right.
4. In 100 metres ignore a road to your left (Friday Street) and keep on along the riverside.
5. In another 100 metres you pass the town bridge. Continue straight on along the riverside passing with the Red Lion Hotel on your left-hand side.
6. In 150 metres bend left with the road, away from the river.
7. In 200 metres turn right at a T-junction.
8. In 100 metres ignore a private road forking right (which in any case is a dead end) and keep to the main road.
9. In another 80 metres, at the second of two mini roundabouts, fork left, signposted A4130 towards Wallingford,

- Nettlebed and Stonor Park, keeping to the right-hand side of this road.
10. In 300 metres, 40 metres after the houses end to the right, turn right on a footpath signposted Oxfordshire Way.
  11. In 250 metres this path leads up into some woods. Keep to the main path, as it bends left in another 70 metres.
  12. In another 200 metres pass through a kissing gate and continue straight on uphill across a field on a faint grassy path.
  13. Keep straight on through scattered trees. In 500 metres pass to the left of a rusted fieldgate (there is sometimes temporary livestock fencing here), and carry on along a faint grassy track.
  14. In 400 metres more pass through a kissing gate to the left of a fieldgate, and onto a tarmac driveway. Keep on up this, passing in 15 metres through a white fieldgate with 'Henley Park Private' on it.
  15. In 150 metres the driveway becomes a gravel track and in another 900 metres it comes to a T-junction with a tarmac road. Cross over this road and pass through a kissing gate to the left of a fieldgate, signposted 'Oxfordshire Way'. Follow the footpath as it veers left across a field, between wooden fences.
  16. In 150 metres pass through a gate to the left of a fieldgate and continue onwards in the same direction along a wooden fence.
  17. In 120 metres pass through a gap to walk along on a path between fences.
  18. In 40 metres pass through a tall kissing gate to emerge onto a downhill path between fences, with a field dotted with pine tree saplings to the right, and a fine view up the valley (*unless the pine saplings grow to obscure it...*)
  19. In 350 metres pass through another high kissing gate to carry on downhill on a tree-lined path.
  20. In 250 metres you come to a junction with a tarmac lane. Turn left here, into the hamlet of **Middle Assendon**.
  21. In 35 metres take the road to the right, merging in 50 metres with a larger road, the B480. On the left-hand side there is the **Rainbow Inn** (*closed and about to be sold in November 2024*).
  22. Passing the Rainbow, continue walking up the B480. In 150 metres there are two roads off to the left.
    - **To continue with main walk**, *ignore* these two roads to the left, and carry on along the B480 and refer to paragraph 23.
    - For the **Short Walk** (the **14.4km/8.9 mile** version of the walk) take the **second** road to the left, signposted to Bix Bottom and follow it gently uphill, turning sharp right with it in 500 metres. Another 450 metres of minor curves brings you to a road **T-junction**, where you go **right**. In 300 metres you pass two houses on your right and in another 350 metres you come to Valley End Farm, advertised by a yellow sign to the left of the road. Ignore the concrete track into the farmyard immediately before this sign, but in another 50 metres, where the hedge to the left ends and just before a red brick farm building, **turn left** up a signposted public footpath. *Continue with paragraph 81 on page 6.*
- Middle Assendon to Stonor (3.3km/2.1 miles)**
23. In another 200 metres take a signposted footpath off to the right, which slants diagonally up across an arable field, heading towards an opening in the trees.
  24. In 200 metres more, at the top of the field, take the signposted footpath immediately to the left into the woods, following a yellow arrow on a post.
  25. In 500 metres turn right to pass through a kissing gate into a field in 10 metres (*blocked by a fallen tree in November 2024, but there is a way round it*). Beyond the gate, keep to the right of a hedge to follow a field edge uphill.
  26. In 50 metres turn left with the field edge. In 70 metres the path becomes a grassy track with a hedgerow to your left and a field to your right.
  27. Continue along this track for 1.3km until you come to a farm complex and the track curves right to a metal fieldgate. Pass through a kissing gate to the right of the fieldgates and in 10 metres turn left to pass through another kissing gate, also to the right of a fieldgate, into the farmyard.

28. In 100 metres, on the far side of the farmyard, follow the track around to the right, keeping the woods to your left-hand side, and ignoring the track off to the left at the start of the woods.
29. In 130 metres, where the track curves sharply round the right, turn left downhill on a path with a rusting chain-link fence to your right.
30. In 500 metres you come to a road.
  - **For the main walk**, turn left on the road and continue with paragraph 31.
  - **For the route to the Crown in Pishill**, the former lunch pub for this walk, which **closed** in 2020, turn right along the road and continue with paragraph 121 on page 7. *This route is only really worth doing if the lunch pub reopens.* It adds **3.1km (1.9 miles)** to the length of the walk, though if combined with the **afternoon short cut** (see paragraph 39 on page 4), it reduces the walk to **22.2km (13.8 miles)**.

### **Stonor to Lodge Farm (1.4km/0.9 miles)**

31. Having turned left on the road, in 20 metres turn right up a signposted footpath.
32. In 60 metres pass through a kissing gate into a field, and continue uphill, passing just to the left of a mini-pylon pole after 60 metres.
33. In a further 150 metres pass through a kissing gate into the next field.
34. Continue uphill, heading to right of a fenced-in clump of trees, 70 metres ahead. After the clump of trees, carry on uphill in the same direction.

*If you turn around on this next section, there is a view of **Stonor Park** house. This field also makes a nice **picnic spot**.*

**Stonor Park** has been the home of the Stonor family for 850 years and parts of the house date back to the 12th century, though it also has plenty of Tudor and even Georgian features. It was one of the places where the 16th century Catholic martyr (and now a saint) Edmund Campion stayed and preached. The house and its gardens and cafe are open on selected days from Easter to October - see [www.stonor.com](http://www.stonor.com).

35. In another 300 metres pass through a kissing gate into a wood, and continue along a well-defined path, with a white arrow on a tree confirming your route in 100 metres or so.
36. In another 300 metres emerge from the wood, and carry on across a field, aiming to the right of houses that can just be seen on its far side.
37. In 300 metres, in the far corner of the field, turn left down a path that soon becomes a track.
38. In 50 metres, at a T-junction with another track, turn right.
39. In 20 metres more turn left down a gravel path. In another 20 metres, there is a kissing gate to the right and **you have a choice**:
  - **To continue on the main route to the White Hart in Nettlebed**, turn right through the kissing gate and continue with paragraph 45 on page 5.
  - To do the **afternoon short cut**, missing out Nettlebed, ignore the path through a kissing gate to the right, and keep ahead on the Oxfordshire Way. Continue with paragraph 40 below.

### **Lodge Farm to Valley End Farm (1.8km/1.1 miles)**

*This is the **afternoon short cut**, missing out Nettlebed and the White Hart Inn.*

40. Keep straight on, ignoring ways off. In 600 metres, where the path forks, go right (that is to say, straight on down into the wood), following SW26 OW, (ignoring SW33, which forks left along a field edge).
41. This path goes steadily downhill for 700 metres until it meets a road at the bottom of the valley. Go left on this road.
42. In 100 metres you pass the **ruined church of St James** on your right (*you can pass through a gap in the hedge for a closer look: though the ruins look ancient, the church was in fact only abandoned in 1875. It dated back to Norman times*).
43. In 50 metres there is a signposted footpath to the right, which is the main route rejoining you.
44. In another 250 metres you come to **Valley End Farm**. Turn right into the farmyard, following the signposted

footpath. *Continue with the directions in paragraph 81 on page 6.*

### **Lodge Farm to Nettlebed** **(2.9km/1.8 miles)**

45. Having turned right through the kissing gate in paragraph 39, follow the path downhill into a wood.
46. In 200 metres, at a footpath post, **fork right** through a gap in a fence, ignoring a path straight ahead that goes directly downhill (and the gate between the two), to continue down into the wood, with a fence to your left.
47. In 30 metres, where the fence turns left, veer slightly left (*ie not quite so much as the fence*) downhill.
48. In 180 metres pass through a gate to leave the wood and carry on downhill in a slightly more open area.
49. In 60 metres cross a grass track and keep on downhill amid bushes and young trees.
50. On 200 metres pass a bench and cross a grass track to continue down a track towards a fieldgate.
51. Go through a wooden gate just before the fieldgate, to pass to the right of the fieldgate.
52. 10 metres beyond the fieldgate turn right on a track.
53. In 30 metres turn left off the track up a footpath marked by a yellow arrow on a post, which slants uphill into a wood.
54. In 130 metres, as the gradient eases a bit, the path veers right, still going uphill into a beech wood.
55. In 100 metres more a yellow arrow on a post confirms your way. In another 150 metres the path, now a track, more or less levels out.
56. In another 150 metres it descends into a dip for 50 metres and you intersect a track on a fork. Ignore the first track right, but veer somewhat right up the second track.
57. You are now climbing again. In 250 metres you can see a field through the wood to the left. In another 60 metres a track from the field merges from the left with the one you are on.
58. In another 100 metres ignore a track to the right and keep on along a track alongside a high wooden fence.

59. In 150 metres keep straight on at a junction, now on a tarmac lane.
60. In 450 metres ignore tracks left and right to keep straight on.
61. In another 200 metres you come to a slantways road junction with a road merging from the left and a paddock and house to your left. Veer right onto the road.
62. In 40 metres ignore a road to the left.
63. In another 100 metres you pass a 20mph sign and after this there are houses to the right.
64. In 300 metres you come to a main road at the centre of the village. Merge with this to carry on down into the village centre to find the **White Hart** on the right in 100 metres.

### **Nettlebed to Valley End** **Farm (3.1km/1.9 miles)**

65. Coming out of the pub, turn left on the main road.
66. In 100 metres ignore Wallington Road to the left, but just beyond it, fork left up an unnamed street (the way you came into the village), passing to the left of a shelter.
67. In 400 metres, at a staggered four-way junction, ignore a road to the right to keep straight ahead. Ignore a fork to the left immediately after.
68. In 40 metres the road you are on curves right.
69. In another 30 metres fork right on a path that in 20 metres emerges onto a green. Keep along its right-hand edge.
70. In 150 metres, towards the end of the green, fork left on a grass path for 50 metres to rejoin (*ie turn right on*) the road. Ignore a right fork in the road immediately after.
71. In 150 metres, where the road turns right, keep straight ahead across the grass to merge with another road in 50 metres.
72. In 40 metres more, in front of high wooden gates, turn left through a kissing gate to the right of a fieldgate., following a sign to Bix Bottom. Follow the hedge on the right-hand edge of a large field.
73. In 250 metres curve right with the hedge (soon a line of hazels) along the lip of a valley.

74. In 150 metres pass through a kissing gate into a rather gloomy yew wood. Follow the right-hand edge of this.
75. In 300 metres the yews end. Ignore paths left and right here and carry straight on into a beech wood.
76. The path starts to descend, very gradually at first, and then in 100 metres turns left a bit and goes downhill more noticeably.
77. In 500 metres you emerge from the wood into a field. Keep on down the right-hand edge of this.
78. In 500 metres you come to a road, just to the left of the **ruined church of St James** (*whose ruins are visible as you walk down the field: it was in fact only abandoned in 1875, though it dates back to Norman times.*)
79. *If you turn left on the road for 50 metres, there is a way into the church site, and an information board giving its history.* But your onward route is to **turn right** on the road.
80. In another 250 metres you come to **Valley End Farm**. Turn right into the farmyard, following the signposted footpath. *Continue with the directions in the next paragraph.*

### **Valley End Farm to Bix (2.2km/1.4 miles)**

81. Keep on through the farmyard to pass through a gate to the left of a wooden fieldgate in 70 metres.
82. Beyond the fieldgate merge with a gravel track from the left and keep on up it along a field edge.
83. In 180 metres, roughly a third of the way along the field, **turn left through a kissing gate** onto a path that climbs steeply uphill to a line of trees.
84. In 100 metres, at the top of the hill, turn round for a fine view back over the valley.
85. Pass through the kissing gate at the top of the hill and curve right with the path along the wood edge, gently uphill.
86. In 250 metres this path merges with a track coming up from the field to the left.
87. Keep straight on along the track as it curves left and descends, and then curves right and climbs again.
88. In 200 metres, at the top of the hill, continue in the same direction through

a wood, following white arrows on the trees.

89. The path gradually converges with the wood edge, still signposted by white arrows on the tree trunks, with a field visible to the right.
90. In another 400 metres, at the end of the wood, follow the path straight out across the field, heading just to the left of the right-hand end of the houses ahead.
91. In 300 metres, on the far side of the field, walk down a broad green passageway between wooden fences for 50 metres to a kissing gate. Pass through this and cross the busy A4130, veering slightly left towards a lay-by on its far side.
92. From the lay-by take the path, signposted 'Chiltern Way Extension', between garden fences. In 70 metres pass through a metal kissing gate and carry on up the left-hand edge of a field.
93. In 120 metres a wood starts to the left. In 25 metres more pass through a metal gate (*not the fieldgate to the left at the start of the wood!*) and keep on with the wood edge to your left.
94. In another 60 metres, 15 metres before a metal kissing gate ahead, **turn left into the woods** through a metal gate. After the gate **veer very slightly right** (*but not too far right!!*), with no clear path.
95. In 100 metres **pass through a metal gate that is hidden by trees** to leave the wood. Go straight ahead across a track and through a kissing gate, and then half right across the field beyond to a kissing gate at the left end of a tile-roofed house.
96. In 100 metres pass through this kissing gate and turn left onto a lane.
97. In 150 metres you come to a T-junction and turn right.

### **From Bix through Lambridge Wood (2.1km/1.3 miles)**

98. In 400 metres you pass through a small hamlet for about 100 metres.
99. Once you leave the hamlet, in 150 metres you come to a road and track crossroads, where the road to the right curves uphill into the trees. Here keep more or less straight on up a tarmac drive signposted as a bridleway.

- 100.** In 20 metres you pass a "Lambridge Wood Strictly Private" sign, but this is a right of way. In another 60 metres the drive starts to curve left. **20 metres after this point veer right off the drive** following a yellow arrow on a post.
- 101.** This path is indistinct for the first 20 metres or so, but a white arrow on a tree to the right confirms your way in 10 metres. In another 30 metres the path becomes clearer, between low brambles and - later - bracken and holly bushes.
- 102.** Keep straight on along this clear path through the woods, with white arrows on trees to confirm your route. In 400 metres you pass a footpath post marking a crosspaths and keep straight on, gently downhill. In 80 metres more another footpath post confirms your way.
- 103.** In another 100 metres ignore a path to the left marked by a footpath post and instead go straight ahead, crossing a not very distinct car-wide path and then **in 20 metres forking right** at a footpath post with a "no cycling" symbol on it (the most downhill of the two options).
- 104.** In 130 metres you come to the valley bottom and keep on along it on a car-wide path. In 70 metres this starts to climb a hill.
- 105.** In 120 metres the path levels off at the top of the hill. In 450 metres more pass through a wooden gate and emerge onto a golf course.

### **To Henley and the station** **(3.1km/1.9 miles)**

- 106.** Veer very slightly right across the golf course (watching out for flying golf balls), heading to the left of a line of trees 60 metres ahead. When you get to the trees, keep along their left-hand side.
- 107.** In 100 metres pass two golf course tees and keep straight on to the left of a row of much larger trees, following a yellow arrow and soon picking up a gravel track.
- 108.** In 250 metres veer slightly right onto a sandy brown golf course path for 30 metres and then fork left off it again to follow a track to the left of another line of trees.
- 109.** 120 metres after this, as the track curves right, keep straight through a kissing gate and carry on down a tarmac driveway between fences.
- 110.** In 80 metres pass around a fieldgate and in 40 metres more pass between white pillars with black gates and carry on down a road.
- 111.** In 400 metres, where the road turns sharp right in front of a wooden fence topped with razor wire (the former home of Beatle George Harrison), go left down a signposted footpath with the wooden fence to your right.
- 112.** In 200 metres this path turns left, to come to a suburban road 40 metres later. Turn right along this road.
- 113.** In 180 metres go right uphill along Hop Gardens.
- 114.** In 400 metres, 10 metres before you come to the main road, go left down a small, quiet back road.
- 115.** In 300 metres cross a road and carry on for another 60 metres to the marketplace of **Henley**. Go straight on across this and on down Hart Street towards the church.
- 116.** In 300 metres, just beyond the church, turn right along Thames Side, Henley's riverfront road, passing the **Angel Inn** on your left. **The Chocolate Cafe** is 60 metres further along on the right.
- 117.** After tea turn right out of the tea room (or keep on past it if you are not stopping there) following the road along the riverfront.
- 118.** In 50 metres ignore the road to the right (Friday Street), and keep along the riverside.
- 119.** In 100 metres more at the Boats for Hire kiosk, bend right with the road away from the river. In 30 metres ignore Meadow Road to the left.
- 120.** In 90 metres, opposite the Imperial Hotel, turn left up the approach road to **Henley station**.

### **Stonor to Pishill** **(2.4km/1.5 miles)**

*This is **the route to the former lunch pub for this walk, the Crown in Pishill**, which closed in 2020. It is included here just in case the pub reopens. The directions have not been checked or updated since 2020.*

- 121.** Having turned right on the road in paragraph 30 on page 4, in 400 metres you pass the entrance to **Stonor Park** on your right (see panel on page 4).

- 122.** In another 200 metres ignore a road off to the right to Turville Heath and North End and carry straight in the direction of Pishill.
- 123.** In 350 metres fork right onto a tarmac track, signposted 'Byway to Christmas Common'. *(though you can if you wish stay on the road for a further 1km to get to the pub slightly more quickly).*
- 124.** Keep on this track, which climbs steadily uphill. In 700 metres as the gradient levels off, go left at a two-armed footpath sign, following a footpath downhill that is fenced off from the left-hand edge of a field.
- 125.** In 200 metres carry on along a path under a tunnel of shrubs. In another 80 metres there is a pine wood to your right.
- 126.** In 150 metres pass through a gate, and turn left onto a track. In 40 metres, at a T-junction with a road, go right.
- 127.** After 50 metres on the road there is a road to the left up a tarmac lane.
- **To continue the walk**, turn left up this lane and refer to paragraph 128 below.
  - For the **Crown Inn** (if it has reopened), ignore the lane to the left and stay on the road for another 250 metres to find the pub on your right. **After your visit**, come out of the pub and turn left on the road, then turn right up a lane in 250 metres. *Continue with paragraph 128 below.*

### **Pishill to Lodge Farm** **(2.1km/1.3 miles)**

- 128.** In another 170 metres you pass the church on your right and the view opens out to the left.
- 129.** In 100 metres, ignore a driveway to The Old Vicarage right and continue straight on up what is now a track.
- 130.** In another 70 metres, where the track curves right, fork left off it. **Ignore a car-wide path going uphill to the right**, parallel to the track you have just left, but instead go through a fieldgate, and keep on down the left-hand side of the field beyond.
- 131.** In 100 metres pass through a decaying fieldgate and continue downhill.
- 132.** In 250 metres you come to the bottom of a dip and carry on up the other side.
- 133.** In another 100 metres you enter a wood. Here cross a track and go straight on uphill on a narrower path which climbs steeply uphill through the wood.
- 134.** In 300 metres, at the top of the hill, there is a field on your right, and you follow the white arrows on a clear path along the edge of the wood.
- 135.** In 120 metres ignore a path merging from the left marked PS9, and keep straight on along the path marked OW PS17.
- 136.** 100 metres beyond this, where the path forks, follow OS PS17 to the left.
- 137.** In 200 metres you come to a road. Cross straight over and carry straight on uphill on the Oxfordshire Way following a white arrow on a tree, ignoring a forest track slanting uphill to the left.
- 138.** In 150 metres, near the top of the hill, keep on up a narrow path that meanders between holly bushes with the wood edge close by to the right.
- 139.** In 100 metres more ignore a path into a field right (PS18) and keep straight on (PS17) to emerge into a field in 30 metres.
- 140.** Carry on slightly to the right across the field, heading slightly to the right of a telegraph pole, which itself is to the right of a house roof.
- 141.** In 150 metres, on the far side of the field, turn left along the field edge, curving right with it in 60 metres.
- 142.** 50 metres further on, exit the field down a path that soon becomes a track, between hedges left and a house garden right.
- 143.** In 50 metres, at a T-junction with another track, turn right.
- 144.** In 20 metres more turn left down a gravel path. In another 20 metres, there is a kissing gate to the right and **you have a choice:**
- **To continue on the main route to the White Hart in Nettlebed**, *turn right* through the kissing gate and continue with paragraph 45 on page 5
  - To do the **afternoon short cut**, missing out Nettlebed, ignore the path through a kissing gate to the right, and keep ahead on the Oxfordshire Way. *Continue with paragraph 40 on page 4.*