

Last checked	Main	Short section	
	7th April 2018	5th September 2020	
Current status	Document last updated Monday, 30th January 2023		
<p>This document and information herein are copyrighted to Saturday Walkers' Club. If you are interested in printing or displaying any of this material, Saturday Walkers' Club grants permission to use, copy, and distribute this document delivered from this World Wide Web server with the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* The document will not be edited or abridged, and the material will be produced exactly as it appears. Modification of the material or use of it for any other purpose is a violation of our copyright and other proprietary rights.</li> <li>* Reproduction of this document is for free distribution and will not be sold.</li> <li>* This permission is granted for a one-time distribution.</li> <li>* All copies, links, or pages of the documents must carry the following copyright notice and this permission notice:</li> </ul> <p>Saturday Walkers' Club, Copyright © 2004 - 2023, used with permission. All rights reserved. <a href="http://www.walkingclub.org.uk">www.walkingclub.org.uk</a></p>			
The publisher cannot accept responsibility for any problems encountered by readers.			

## Hurst Green to Chiddingstone Causeway

### The Greensand Way, the High Chart and Ide Hill.

**Start:** Hurst Green station

**Finish:** Penshurst station

**Length:** 20.5km (12.7miles). For a shorter walk, see *below* **Walk options**.

**Time:** 6 hours 30 minutes. For the whole outing, including trains, sights and meals, allow 10 hours.

**Transport:** Two trains an hour (one on Sunday) run from London Victoria to Hurst Green (journey time: 39 minutes/49 minutes on Sunday). Trains run back from Penshurst to London hourly, most requiring a change at Redhill or Tonbridge (journey time: 57 minutes to 1 hour 20 minutes). Take the train nearest to 9.10am from London Victoria. For the shorter walk option, take the train nearest to 10.30am. This main walk is probably the most car-unfriendly in this book, as it is tricky to get back from Penshurst to Hurst Green (you can do so via Edenbridge/Edenbridge Town stations). A better option is the short walk: you can park your car at Hurst Green, one stop down the line from Oxted.

**OS Landranger Maps:** 187 and 188

**OS Explorer Maps:** 147 and 146 (for the short walk)

Hurst Green, map reference TQ 400514, is in Surrey, 12km east of Redhill.

**Toughness:** 6 out of 10

**Walk Notes:** This is a long but rewarding walk along the hills of northern Kent, much of it passing through woodland along the Greensand Way. In the afternoon, you can enjoy views over the countryside to the south. This is a walk recommended in late April and early May, when it offers a whole series of bluebell woods, and also in the autumn with a beautiful show of colours. The walk also passes Chartwell (the former home of Winston Churchill) and through the secluded upland village of Ide Hill.

Walk Options:

**a) Shorter walk to Oxted:** You may reduce the length of the main walk by 12km to 9km (5.6 miles) by following the main walk directions as given until [3]. Then follow the directions at the end of the main walk text to finish at Oxted. Trains go back to Victoria from Oxted.

Further to the above, you can also trim a 1km descent and ascent section off the main and short walks by using the short cut at [2] indicated in the main walk text.

An alternative morning route option for the main walk is available on the website of the Saturday Walkers' Club [www.walkingclub.org.uk](http://www.walkingclub.org.uk) in the 'Time Out Country Walks 2' section.

## WALK DIRECTIONS

**[1]** Coming off the London train from platform 2 at **Hurst Green Station**, exit and turn right. In 25 metres *go up the steps leading to the road bridge, and turn left* to cross Greenhurst Lane, to continue along Hurstlands. Ignore the road turning off to the right after 70 metres, although cross over the road, and continue up in the same direction on the other side.

In 120 metres cross Wolfs Wood and after a further 130 metres, cross Home Park and continue up Wolfs Hill. **[!]** In 30 metres *turn right along an unmarked tarmac footpath* between wooden fences.

In 80 metres cross a brick road and continue along the tarmac footpath. After 100 metres this becomes an earth footpath and curves to the right to *go round the edge of a playing field*. In 15 metres follow the field round and down to the left and then, after 50 metres, follow the field round to the left, your direction 20 degrees.

In 100 metres, at the end of the playing field, the footpath goes uphill and veers to the right between wooden fences. In 180 metres go over a stile to *cross over a road and a stile to continue in the same direction*.

In 320 metres *go through a wooden gate to go up a tarmac lane, passing by a house on your right*.

*After 300 metres, at the end of the lane, go over a crossroads to continue up Pastens Road, your direction 100 degrees.*

*After 450 metres, where the road ends at Arden Lodge, turn left up a tarmac lane by a four-armed footpath signpost. Almost immediately you pass a white cottage (Pastens Cottage) on your right, with an inscription to Sergey Kravehinsky Stepniak (1852–1895) on its side, your direction 60 degrees.*

In 35 metres you pass the entrance to

Chartfield Cottage on your left and after a further 20 metres *you reach an easily missed three-armed footpath signpost on your right, hidden in a clump of reeds.* **[2]**

There are now two alternatives. **(i)** Take the short cut, reducing the main and short walks by 500 metres, or **(ii)** [continue with the recommended walk.](#)

**(i) Shortcut:** *Continue up the car-wide track. After 60 metres, the footpath becomes a narrow path. In 60 metres go through a wooden gate to right of a wooden fieldgate. Pass by a house on your right, and continue up the path, which now enters a lightly wooded area. In 160 metres cross over a car-wide track and keep to the right-hand path with wooden pole fencing on your right, your direction east.*

*In 120 metres cross over the B269 and turn right* down a tarmac path (parallel to the main road), your direction 100 degrees. In 50 metres the path runs between trees on your right (screening you from the road) and garden fencing on your left. Follow this path which subsequently diverges to the left away from the B269.

In 220 metres you emerge from the wooded area to cross a quiet road. Continue along a sandy car-wide track. After 80 metres follow the track round to the right to reach **The Carpenters Arms** on your left, the lunchtime stop for the short walk. Rejoin the route at the [asterisk \[\\*\] below.](#)

**(ii) Main walk route:** **[!]** *Turn sharp right to double back, down a sunken footpath, your initial direction 240 degrees.*

Follow this footpath for 350 metres as it curves to the left, latterly through a wooded area, to then cross over a stile (next to a 3 armed signpost) into a field.

*Turn left, your direction 100 degrees, to go along the upper left-hand side of this field (bordered by a fenced-in wood). In*

180 metres at the left-hand field corner go through a metal gate to continue along the upper left-hand side of this next field. After 220 metres at the field left-hand corner, go through a metal gate and in 20 metres *go through a metal fieldgate to pass by a house on your right after 40 metres.*

**[!]** *In 50 metres, next to an electricity substation enclosed by wooden fencing on your left, turn sharp left uphill following a bridleway arm on a 3 armed signpost, your direction 330 degrees.*

*At the top after 150 metres, you pass by a footpath post on your right to come out to a lane junction. Ignore the downhill lane to the right, and turn half right up a lane to Quince House and Champions Cottage, your direction 130 degrees.*

*In 60 metres, just before Quince House, turn up to the left, your direction 20 degrees. After 40 metres you pass Champions Cottage on your right and continue up an earth footpath, (bordered by a wooden fence on your right). In 50 metres you come out onto a tarmac lane. Continue along the lane to reach a road junction after 180 metres. Cross over the B269 to go through a wooded area. In 80 metres you reach a lane. Turn right along Tally Road to arrive outside the **Carpenters Arms** in Limpsfield Chart, the lunchtime stop for the short walk.*

**[\*]** *Emerging from the Carpenters Arms turn left along Tally Road for 130 metres to reach a road junction. **[3]***

[At this point, you can take option **a**), the **Shorter walk to Oxted** by following the directions at the end of this main walk text.]

Otherwise, for the main walk, *you now follow the **Greensand Way** all the way to **Toys Hill** [4] and for the most part it is clearly signposted.*

In more detail: Cross over the road, passing by a footpath signpost on your left with a footpath arrow 'Limpsfield walk

NT'. Continue in the same direction as you latterly enter a wooded area. (This area is known as **The High Chart.**) After 70 metres the path curves slightly round to the right. In a further 170 metres at a footpath post with a 'Greensand Way' (GW) arrow, fork left off the main bridleway, your initial direction 60 degrees.

After 140 metres go straight over a crosspaths marked by a GW arrow on a footpath post, your direction 70 degrees. In a further 40 metres cross a car-wide track to continue in the same direction, marked by a yellow GW arrow on a footpath post.

In 350 metres you pass by a post with a GW arrow, just before crossing another car-wide track to continue ahead, your direction 50 degrees. After 250 metres, at a footpath junction, turn half left along a car-wide track, following a GW arrow on a post, your direction 45 degrees.

In 130 metres you reach a footpath junction with a multi-direction signpost. Continue ahead (following the GW arrow), passing by another post with a GW blue bridleway arrow after 20 metres. The bridleway now becomes fenced-in between gardens.

After 300 metres you come out onto a road. *Cross the road and go through a gap (left of a wooden fieldgate), to go along a car-wide track into a wood, your direction east. In 80 metres, at a footpath junction, turn right, your direction 170 degrees.*

In 200 metres go through a metal kissing-gate to the right of a metal gate, to continue along a path, which soon becomes a car-wide track, your direction 210 degrees. After 100 metres, at a footpath junction, fork left to follow a blue bridleway arrow on a post, your direction 150 degrees.

In 70 metres you pass by a footpath post on your right with a GW arrow to continue up ahead, your direction now south.

After 100 metres cross a car-wide track, following a GW arrow on a post, your direction 170 degrees. In 30 metres, where the footpath forks, take the left fork.

Continue ahead on the Greensand Way for the next 400 metres, following the footpath arrows on posts, to come out into the open to continue along a lane passing by a multi-direction metal signpost and further on take the left fork of two car-wide tracks, your direction 100 degrees.

In 300 metres you pass by a house on your right. Veer right past the house, ignoring a footpath to the left, and in 25 metres you pass by a footpath post with a GW blue bridleway arrow, veering slightly left, your direction now 80 degrees.

After 120 metres go past a path junction marked by a post with a blue GW bridleway arrow, your direction 60 degrees, to descend more steeply to *reach the bottom of the hill* after 180 metres. Veer right to follow a blue bridleway arrow on a post past the entrance to April cottage on your right to go up a lane and reach a road junction after 80 metres

Cross over the road and take the GW bridleway uphill, marked by a metal signpost, your direction 80 degrees. In 120 metres, at a footpath junction *at the top of the hill* (20 metres after a wooden fence starts on the right), *turn left*, indicated by a GW arrow on a post, your direction 20 degrees.

Follow the Greensand Way arrows on footpath posts, ignoring all ways off for the next 600 metres. Eventually the path descends steeply down to a road. Cross the road and go through a gap to the left of the entrance to **Chartwell**, and go along a footpath, initially between fences.

In 400 metres you come out to a road. Cross the road to pass round to the right of a car-blocking barrier, passing by a

metal footpath signpost with bridleway / GW signs, your initial direction 40 degrees.

In 150 metres you pass by a post on your left with a blue GW arrow, your direction 40 degrees. After 350 metres *the footpath forks; take the right fork* and 40 metres further on you pass by a post with a GW arrow to veer round to the right down a car-wide track, your initial direction 60 degrees.

In 80 metres the track joins a driveway and after a further 30 metres you *come to a T-junction with a lane, where you turn right down the lane* following a Greensand Way signpost. *In 70 metres fork left to follow a sign 'Private Road - French Street Farm and Highview'.*

Go down this winding lane to pass through French Street Farm at the bottom after 160 metres to continue up the lane. In 600 metres you *come to a fork with a footpath post on your right. Take the right fork down a car-wide shingle track*, your direction 160 degrees.

After 250 metres, at the end of the track, *pass to the left of a metal fieldgate and go uphill* (with a green mesh fence initially on your right) to **Toys Hill**. In 170 metres **[4]** ignore a track to the left and continue ahead, indicated by a GW bridleway arrow on a post to *climb a steep hill*, your direction 140 degrees. In 130 metres continue straight on at a cross-paths marked by a blue GW bridleway arrow on a post. Again after a further 160 metres, continue ahead and downhill at a path junction marked by a GW bridleway arrow on a post, your direction 110 degrees.

After 220 metres, *at a path junction, turn left through a horse blocking barrier, as marked by a GW arrow on a post*, your direction 10 degrees. After 300 metres *go down some steps taking you into a car park*, with an NT information board about Toys Hill on the right.

*Turn left at the bottom of the steps, to*

leave the Greensand Way and follow the NT red footpath arrow, your direction west.

In 120 metres you reach a car-wide track with a footpath post ahead with red, green and orange footpath arrows to the left. Turn right along the car-wide earth track, your direction 50 degrees. After 160 metres you reach a crosspaths with a footpath post on your left. Go over the crosspaths to continue along a car-wide earth track your direction now 30 degrees.

After 60 metres **[!]** fork right (marked by a footpath post on your left), your direction 70 degrees, to go through a wooden horse blocking barrier after metres, to then cross a road to follow the footpath (with a concrete footpath marker and NT Octavia Hill Woodlands sign on your right). In 25 metres you reach a footpath junction with a footpath post. **[5]**

There are now two alternatives. **(i)** Divert to take the recommended lunch stop at The Fox & Hounds, - currently closed Oct 2022 or **(ii)** continue with the walk

**(i)** Lunch at Fox & Hounds: Turn left, your direction 20 degrees. In 25 metres where the path curves to the right, fork left, your direction 10 degrees; along a footpath (parallel to the road off to your left) through the wooded area for 80 metres to reach the garden of the **Fox and Hounds**. After lunch retrace your steps back along the footpath to the footpath junction **[5]** Turn left down a footpath, your direction 120 degrees. Rejoin the route at the double asterisk **[\*\*]** below.

**(ii) Continue with the walk:** Continue ahead down a footpath, your direction 120 degrees.

**[\*\*]** In 120 metres at a five-way footpath junction with a footpath post with various arrows, you rejoin the Greensand Way, and continue straight ahead, your direction 110 degrees. You

now continue on the Greensand Way for the next 500 metres, following arrows on footpath posts all the way downhill until you emerge from the wood at the bottom of the hill and go through a squeeze-stile into a field, (a possible **picnic** spot.)

Turn left down the upper left edge of the field, your direction 80 degrees. After 90 metres go past some wooden fieldgate posts and turn half right down across the field towards a gap in the trees ahead, your direction 120 degrees. In 100 metres go through a metal kissing-gate (right of a metal fieldgate) into the next field and continue ahead, down towards the bottom right-hand corner of the field, your direction 120 degrees.

In 160 metres, at the field corner, cross a footbridge flanked by two metal gates to follow the direction of the GW arrow (initially) up the left-hand side of a field, with a wood on your left, your direction east.

After 340 metres, at the top right-hand corner of this field, go through a metal kissing gate into the next field. Continue up **Ide Hill** along the right-hand edge of the next two fields. After 320 metres, at the top corner of the second field, go through a metal kissing gate and continue along a tarmac lane.

In 50 metres at a T-junction with a road turn right to then pass by a mini roundabout on your left after 40 metres.

If you are opting for the late pub lunch stop, turn left here for 80 metres for the **Cock Inn**. Otherwise continue straight on, with the village green to your left, your direction 170 degrees.

In 60 metres go through the white gates that lead in to the National Trust (NT) entrance to Ide Hill with a sign 'No access for cars, footpath only'. Go along the tarmac lane with Ide church on your left, your direction 200 degrees.

In 70 metres leave the tarmac lane to fork right along a shingle track. You pass

an NT Ide Hill sign on the left and continue alongside a wooden fence on your right. After 120 metres the wooden fence ends and, 10 metres further on fork left, following a footpath post with a Greensand Way arrow, to *go downhill through a wood*, your direction 150 degrees.

*In 100 metres turn left at a footpath junction following a GW arrow, your initial direction east. In 15 metres veer left at a stone bench with an inscription commemorating Octavia Hill and 5 metres further on go straight downhill following a GW arrow on a footpath post. After 300 metres, at a footpath junction, turn half right downhill, following a yellow arrow, your direction 70 degrees.*

In 25 metres you come down to a slip road, just off the main B2042 road on your right. *Cross over the slip road to the grass verge on the other side.* There are public conveniences and a shop to your left. Take care as you *cross over the main road onto the grass verge* on the opposite side, with a view of Bough Beech water directly ahead. *Turn left*, along this grass verge.

*After 100 metres turn right down a lane. In 15 metres fork left up a car-wide shingle track, your direction 160 degrees. In 180 metres you reach a small open area with a green island with a footpath post on the left. [6]*

*Continue straight on*, passing the gates to Quarry Cottage on your right after 10 metres, your direction 150 degrees. In 10 metres you pass by a stone public bridleway marker on your right to go downhill with a wire fence on your right.

After 200 metres you *come out onto a lane and turn left*. In 100 metres *follow the lane round and down to the right*, your direction 160 degrees.

After 150 metres, *at the bottom of the lane, turn left down an earth track. In 20 metres you reach a metal fieldgate and turn right* to go down the fenced-in right-

hand edge of a field bordered by a wood, your direction 150 degrees.

In 180 metres, at the right-hand field corner, cross a one-rail plank footbridge into the next field and veer left across this field, your direction 145 degrees.

In 300 metres go through a small wooded area field boundary to emerge into the next field after 30 metres, and continue down across this field, your direction 150 degrees.

In 120 metres go through a gap in the trees and follow the footpath down the left-hand edge of this (initially narrow) field in a southerly direction.

After 350 metres, at the left-hand field corner, cross into the next field and go down across this field, aiming for the bottom left-hand corner, your direction 130 degrees. (If the field is high with crop and no clear path across it, then go along the left-hand edge of the field.)

In 280 metres go past a derelict stile (TQ498,501) to enter a small wooded area to cross a two-rail footbridge after 10 metres. Continue up the footpath, to emerge from the wooded area after 60 metres. Turn left for 10 metres to follow the path up and round to the right, with a hedgerow on your right-hand side.

In 60 metres, having crossed a stile, *go through a wooden gate* and follow the path round to the left *to come out onto a lane after 20 metres. Turn left* along the lane and *in 30 metres turn right over a stile.*

Go up the right-hand edge of a field bordered by a small wooded area, your initial direction 70 degrees. After 120 metres, at the top where the wooded area ends, continue along the right-hand side of the field towards its bottom right-hand corner.

In 140 metres *go through a metal gate followed by another after 50 metres and turn half right* across the field, with a

wooded area off to your right, your direction 100 degrees.

The field subsequently narrows and descends and, *after 400 metres* at the field corner, go through a metal fieldgate to *cross a stream into the next field*. Go up the right-hand edge of this field and, *in 60 metres; turn right* through a metal gate along a footpath with a fenced-in wood on your left, your direction 200 degrees.

In 50 metres, at the corner of the wood, continue across the field, passing to the right of a mini pylon pole in the middle of the field, aiming for a metal kissing gate in the far right-hand field corner.

After 400 metres go through the kissing gate and across a single-rail footbridge and stile into the next field to continue in the same direction along the right-hand side of the field.

In 180 metres (just before a mini pylon pole to your left) *turn right to go through a metal kissing-gate* (right of a metal fieldgate) and, *after 10 metres, turn left down a car-wide earth track* between hedgerows, your direction south.

In 160 metres the farm track becomes a concrete driveway. Continue ahead to subsequently pass by farm buildings and workshops. In 300 metres the driveway swings to the left to *join a tarmac lane, where you turn right*, (passing by a small car park on your left-hand side), your direction 190 degrees.

In 450 metres ignore the main lane forking to the left and continue ahead for 50 metres, *to reach a T-junction[7]*, *to turn left along a lane*, your direction 70 degrees. After 20 metres the lane crosses a stream.

In 160 metres, *just before the lane swings to the left, turn right up a driveway* to go through the entrance to Bushy Wood Place.

**[!]** *In 200 metres* immediately before a

wooden fieldgate (and 80 metres before a white house ahead) *turn right along a car-wide track*, your initial direction 190 degrees. In 35 metres go through a metal gate to the left of a metal fieldgate and *go along the left side of a narrow field* to pass by a pond on your left after 60 metres. In a further 80 metres, *at the top of the narrow field, turn left through a metal gate and over a plank bridge to follow a path through a lightly wooded area*.

After 280 metres *emerge from the wooded area to go down the left-hand edge of a field*, your direction 80 degrees.

*In 140 metres, where the left-hand edge of the field curves sharply to the left, turn half right across the field*, aiming for a metal fieldgate on the far side, your direction 120 degrees.

In 160 metres go through a metal gate (right of the metal fieldgate) to cross a lane and go through another metal gate. Veer right across the field, your direction 130 degrees. After 200 metres go through a gap in the hedgerow field boundary and veer right across the next field, towards the right-hand field corner, your direction 160 degrees.

After 200 metres go through a metal fieldgate to enter a wooded area and continue along a track passing a pond on your left. In 60 metres you emerge from the wooded area into a field to go along the right-hand edge of the field.

After 130 metres at the right-hand field corner go past a redundant stile to cross the next field, aiming for its far left-hand corner, your direction south.

In 200 metres go through a metal kissing-gate into the next field to continue along its left-hand side towards its left-hand corner. In 150 metres go through a metal kissing-gate and *veer left along a footpath aiming to the left of some farm buildings*, your direction 160 degrees.

After 250 metres go through a metal gate and turn left along a car-wide track towards a road. In 80 metres, at the junction with the road, turn left along the grass verge on the left-hand side of the road. After 100 metres turn right to cross the road to go along a tarmac footpath, your direction 170 degrees.

In 400 metres turn right down the B2027 to pass by the church of St Luke, Chiddingstone Causeway, (on your left after 50 metres). In a further 120 metres you reach **The Little Brown Jug** on your right, the recommended tea place. **Penshurst station** is on the left opposite the pub.

## WALK OPTIONS

### a) Shorter walk to Oxted:

Follow the main walk directions until point [3].

At the road junction turn left, your direction north and then after 10 metres, fork left along Stoneleigh Road, your direction 340 degrees. In 200 metres, where the road curves round to the left, keep straight on, indicated by a wooden bridleway sign, along a sand shingle car-wide track, which narrows to a footpath after 100 metres. In a further 70 metres cross over a road to go down a car-wide shingle track.

After 15 metres, fork right down along a bridleway into a wood, your direction 340 degrees. In 160 metres having passed a post with a blue bridleway arrow, (where a footpath merges from the right), continue downhill. After 70 metres, curve right. In a further 5 metres fork left downhill to resume your former direction, 340 degrees, along the left-hand side of the wood.

In 200 metres, at a path junction marked by a post, go left following a blue bridleway arrow, your initial direction 290 degrees.

Continue along the left-hand side of the wood on a meandering path, to reach a path T-junction after 300 metres. Turn left to then turn half left, marked by a yellow arrow on a post. In 20 metres go through a metal kissing-gate to cross a narrow field, your direction 250 degrees.

In 30 metres, continue ahead up into a wood. After 180 metres you emerge from the wood to continue ahead, going slightly up across the lower right-hand side of a field, aiming for a metal gate in the right-hand field corner, leading into a wood.

After 180 metres go through the metal gate to enter the corner of the wood, where you turn right, up the right-hand side of the wood, your direction 250 degrees.

In 150 metres, you emerge from the wood to pass by a golf course on your left. In 180 metres, and 40 metres before the road, you reach a footpath crosspaths in a slight dip, marked by a wooden footpath post to the left. Imagining this dip as a roundabout, take the second left, your direction 150 degrees.

After 120 metres take care as you exit a small wooded area as there is a golf tee just to your right. Carrying straight on you reach a footpath crosspaths with a blue bridleway arrow on a post (beyond) pointing ahead. However, turn right, towards the main road, your direction 220 degrees.

In 50 metres cross over the road and continue along the footpath. In 40 metres, at a footpath junction, with a golf course in front of you, turn right, your direction 290 degrees.

Go along this path which soon enters a wood. In 450 metres you reach a triangular road junction. Cross over and ignore a footpath forking immediately right and instead, 5 metres further on, take the signposted bridleway forking right (the Greensand Way), your direction



270 degrees.

In 270 metres go over a crosspaths at a dip (marked by a wooden post with multiple arrows), following a blue GW arrow, your direction 310 degrees. In a further 30 metres, *where the path forks, take the right fork uphill, marked by a GW arrow, along the Greensand Way for the next 180 metres to reach a road. [A1]*

*Cross over the road and continue in the same direction. In 40 metres ignore a right fork, to continue along the GW, your direction 280 degrees.*

After 200 metres cross over a road and continue along the Greensand Way (passing by the former St. Michael's school building on your right) up a lane, your direction 240 degrees.

In 450 metres, *where the tarmac lane comes to an end, continue straight on, your direction 250 degrees. In 90 metres where the path forks, fork left.* After 160 metres you come out of the wood to go down a car-wide track between houses.

In 120 metres *you reach a road. Turn right and, in 80 metres, ignore a no through road on your left, but immediately after fork left, down a signposted sunken bridleway, your direction 310 degrees.* In 250 metres you cross over a drive to continue down in the same direction. In 400 metres *you come out to the A25.*

*The onward way is up the alleyway directly across the road.* However, to cross this busy road safely, use the traffic lights 70 metres to the left.

Go up the alleyway, *which leads out into a residential road after 20 metres.* Continue ahead *to reach a small green after 50 metres, then go to the right of the green down the road for 120 metres, to reach a T-junction with the main road and turn left.*

Go up Station Road East. *In 280 metres turn left for 40 metres to the Station*

Road East entrance to Oxted station. For tea go straight through the station subway. If taking tea at the alternative **Oxted Inn**, turn left for 30 metres to the Oxted Inn; otherwise for the preferred tea stop, turn right out onto Station Road West, where you turn left and go down for 40 metres to **Robertson's**.

## Lunch and Tea places

**Carpenters Arms** 12 Tally Road, Limpsfield Chart, RH8 0TG (01883 722209). **Open** 11am-3pm, 5.30-11pm Mon-Fri; 11am-4pm, 5.30-11pm Sat; noon-4pm, 7-10.30pm Sun. **Food served** 11.30am-2pm Mon-Sat; noon-3pm Sun. Located 4km from the start of the walk, the Carpenters offers good food at lunchtimes. This is the suggested lunch stop if taking the shorter walk option.

**Chartwell Restaurant** Mapleton Road, Westerham, TN16 1PS (01732 863087). **Open/food served** Mar-June, Sep-Nov 10.30am-5pm Wed-Sun. July, Aug 10.30am-5pm Tue-Sun. Dec-Feb 11am-4pm Wed-Sun. Located 7.5km from the start of the walk, the restaurant at Churchill's house serves good food.

~~**Fox & Hounds** Toys Hill, Westerham, TN16 1QG (01732 750328). **Open** 11.30-3pm, 6-11pm Mon-Sat; noon-10.30pm Sun. **Food served** noon-2pm Mon; noon-2pm, 6-9pm Tue-Fri; noon-2.30pm, 6-9.30pm Sat; noon-2.30pm Sun. Situated 11km from the start of the walk, this pub serves good enough food and is the suggested lunch stop on the main walk.~~

September 2020: This pub is still closed and for sale. Unlikely to open (if at all) for at least a year. Check <https://whatpub.com/pubs/TTW/241/fox-hounds-toys-hill> for current status.

**Cock Inn** Ide Hill, Sevenoaks, TN14 6JN (01732 750310). **Open** noon-11pm Mon-Sat; noon-10pm Sun. **Food served**

noon-9pm Mon - Sat; noon-7pm Sun.  
This pub is located 13km from the start of the walk.

**Little Brown Jug** *Chiddingstone Causeway, Tonbridge, TN11 8JJ (01892 870318)*. **Open** noon-11pm Mon-Sat; noon-10.30pm Sun. **Food served** noon-3pm, 7-9pm Tue-Sat; noon-5pm Sun. This pub offers tea and coffee. It is the suggested tea stop for the main walk.

**Oxted Inn** *1-4 Station Road West, Hoskins Walk, Oxted, RH8 9HR (01883 723440)*. **Open** 10am-11pm Mon-Sat; 10am-10.30pm Sun. **Food served** 10am-10pm Mon-Sat; 10am-9.30pm Sun. An alternative for those doing the shorter walk.

**Robertson's** *42 Station Road West, Oxted, RH8 9EU (01883 712777)*. **Open** 8.30am-5pm Mon-Sat. Provides coffee, light meals and teas. This is the suggested tea option for those doing the shorter walk ending in Oxted.

**Café Papillon** *45 Station Road West, Oxted, RH8 9EU (01883 717031)*. **Open** 8am-5pm Mon-Sat. Provides coffee, light meals and teas.

**Picnic:** Recommended spots are between Toys Hill and Ide Hill, and after Ide Hill, looking south towards Bough Beech water.