




Location Map




Location Symbols

-  Bus stop/Request stop
-  Railway Station
-  Walk Location

Essential Information

Distance:
3 miles/5 kms

Walk grade:

 2 A generally easy walk with stiles and some muddy paths (depending on weather)

Maps:
OS Explorer 125
OS Landranger 199

Start/Finish:
Beckley Village TQ 856240

Public Transport:
Buses: A regular service operates Monday to Saturday between Hastings and Northiam with a stop in Beckley.

Trains: The closest mainline station at Rye (5.5 miles from Beckley) has a regular service.

Parking:
Parking is available in Beckley



Beckley Walk



Paths to Prosperity

East Sussex is a welcome haven for walkers in the busy south-east of England, with over two thirds of the County covered by the High Weald and Sussex Downs Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

There is also a wealth of picturesque villages, country houses and parkland hidden within its rolling landscape, waiting to be discovered.

Please come and enjoy the unique splendours of our countryside, but please also support the local businesses that help make the countryside the vibrant place that it is today.

The Countryside Code

- Be Safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under close control
- Consider other people

Tourist Information Centre

The Heritage Centre, Strand Quay, Rye
Tel: 01797 226696
Fax: 01797 223460
email: ryetic@rother.gov.uk

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Refreshments and Local Services

(see map for location)

- 1 Bixley Cottage**
Self Catering Accommodation -
0207 2269035
- 2 Methersham Vineyard**
Vineyard producing red, white and sparkling wine, available directly from the vineyard - Hobbs Lane, Beckley, 01797 260621
- 3 West House**
Bed and Breakfast Accommodation - Woodlands, Whitebread Lane, Beckley, 01797 260524
- 4 Rose & Crown**
Public House and Restaurant - Northiam Road, Beckley, 01797 252161
- 5 Northiam DIY & Garden Shop**
General DIY and Gardening supplies - Main Street, Northiam, 01797 252162
- 6 Hayes Inn**
Public House and Restaurant - Church Lane, Northiam, 01797 252408

Please note that inclusion of business details in this leaflet does not constitute an endorsement of the business by East Sussex County Council or its agents.

We hope that you enjoy the walk in this leaflet, which is one of a series produced by East Sussex County Council.

Copies of the leaflets for other walks in the series are available from Tourist Information Centres and libraries or direct from East Sussex County Council, by contacting the Rights of Way Team:-

By phone on:-
01273 482250 / 482354 / 482324

By post at:-
Transport and Environment Department
County Hall
St. Anne's Crescent
Lewes BN7 1UE

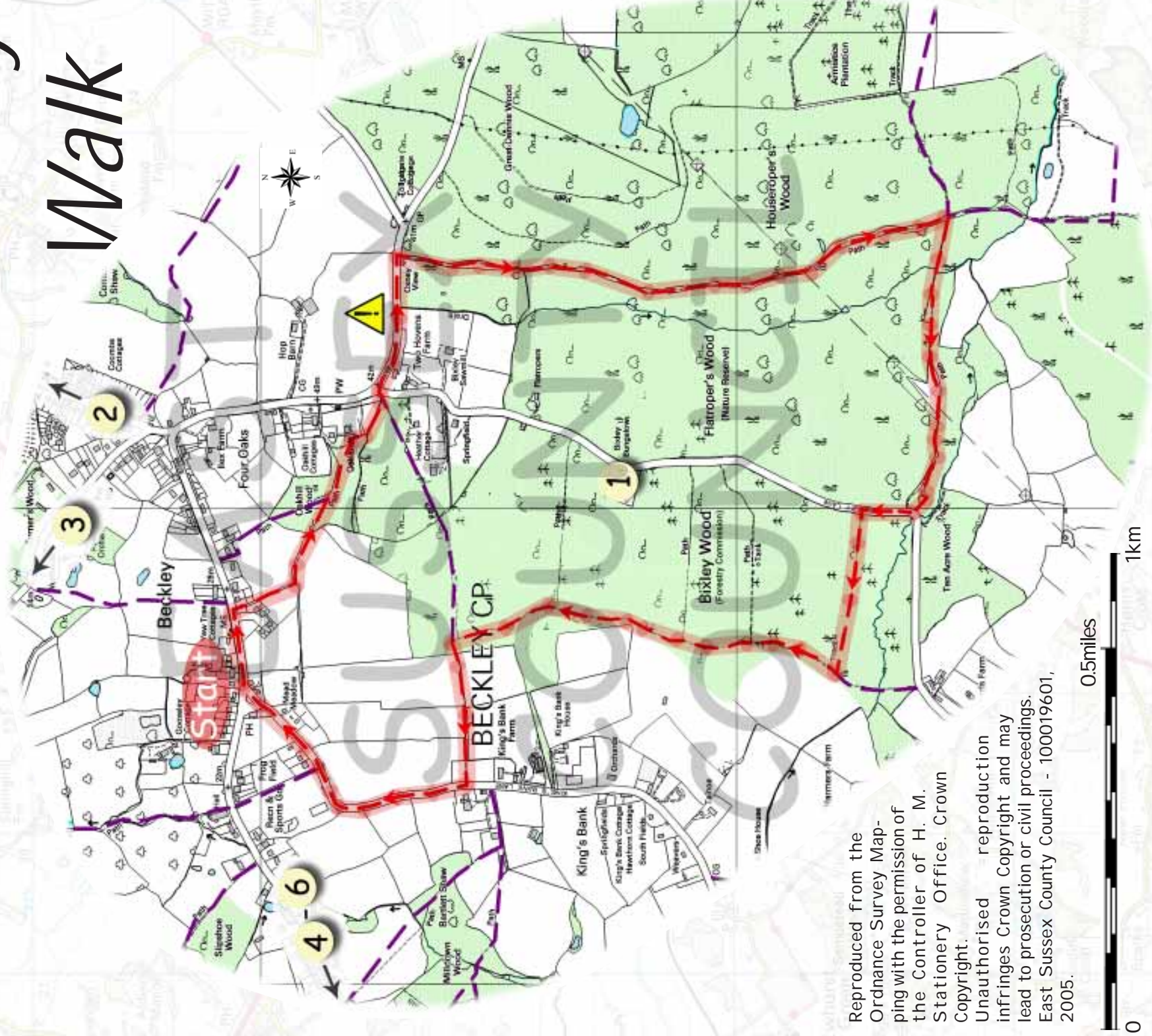
By e-mail at:-
rightsofway@eastsussex.gov.uk

By downloading from the website at:-
www.eastsussex.gov.uk

If any problems are encountered on the walk please report them to the above contact points.

This route is based on one published by Countryside Books in the book Pub Strolls in East Sussex. If you enjoyed the walk and would like to explore further similar ones, the guide book can be purchased through local booksellers:-
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Map Legend

-  Refreshments & Local Services
(see over for details)
-  Beware of Traffic
-  Route
-  Other Public Footpaths

Starting from Beckley village, at the junction of the B2088 and Kings Bank Lane, follow the B2088 in the direction signposted to Peasmarsch and Rye. Just after passing the cul-de-sac of Buddens Green, turn right onto the signposted footpath beside the white weather-boarded cottage. Follow the enclosed path and then the well defined field edge path, keeping the hedge to your left. After a short distance, cross the stile in the field corner and follow the waymarked route, initially straight ahead, and then uphill, to reach a waymarked path junction.

Turn right and after a short distance, continue ahead at another junction of tracks, before crossing an old boundary line. Turn immediately left to follow the well defined path to reach the junction of Bixley Lane and the main A268.

From the road junction, turn right to follow the main road for approximately 300 metres (330 yds.) Take great care on this stretch of main road, as there is very little verge. Immediately after passing the cottage (Oxney View), turn right onto the signposted footpath. Follow the main fenced track through the woodland to reach a signed footpath junction in front of a metal kissing gate.

Turn right to follow the path through a wooden kissing gate into the Sussex Wildlife Trust reserve of Flatropers Wood. After crossing the small stream, continue to follow the main footpath ahead, bearing left at a small junction after a short distance. The route now follows the path keeping close to the southern edge of the reserve, to reach the unsurfaced Bixley Lane.



Woodland Path

Turn right and follow the lane for a short distance, before turning left onto the track leading through the Forestry Commission owned Bixley Wood. On reaching the junction of tracks, after a short distance, continue straight ahead along the narrower, unsurfaced section. Continue to follow the route straight ahead to reach the junction with the footpath that runs north/south along the woodland edge. Turn right and follow the waymarked path for approximately 850 metres (930 yds.) to reach a signposted footpath junction.

Continue straight ahead at the path junction to follow the enclosed path to a stile. Beyond the stile follow the field edge path, with the fence to your left. Follow this path ahead to reach Kings Bank Lane. Turn right and follow the lane back to Beckley village and the end of the walk.



The route through the Wood



Ancient Woodland at Flatropers