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AMAZING DOG WALKS RIGHT ON YOUR DOORSTEP AT WALLOPS WOOD COTTAGES!

We have compiled 7 walks for you and your four legged friend(s) to enjoy whilst you stay with us. These walks are fantastic for everyone and we have annotated how long (approximately) they take at a moderate walking pace.

All these walks are suitable for dog(s) and remember that we have a thermostatically controlled shower in the car park for your furry friends - human showers are in your beautiful cottages!

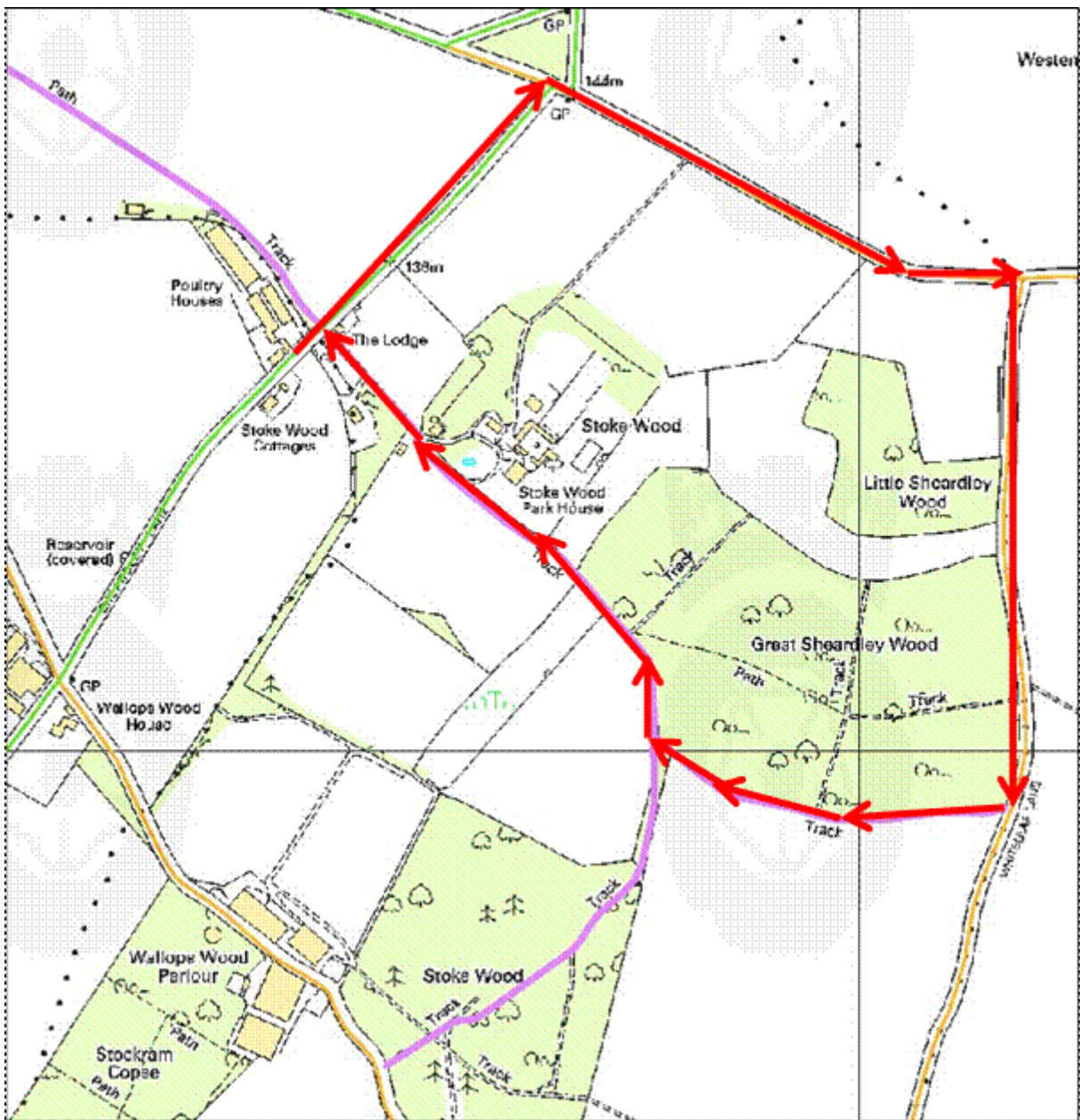
Feel free to print these and enjoy the beautiful Meon Valley.

The fields around Wallops Wood are farmed by our neighbours, so please be respectful of the farming way of life and keep to marked public rights of ways and byways and dogs on a lead when/if you are in a field with livestock, thank you!

There are numerous award-winning Pubs around us where you can enjoy a beer or a long drink as well as delectable food. The Pubs can be found in your Guest Information Folder, some are also marked on your walks. **Thank you!**



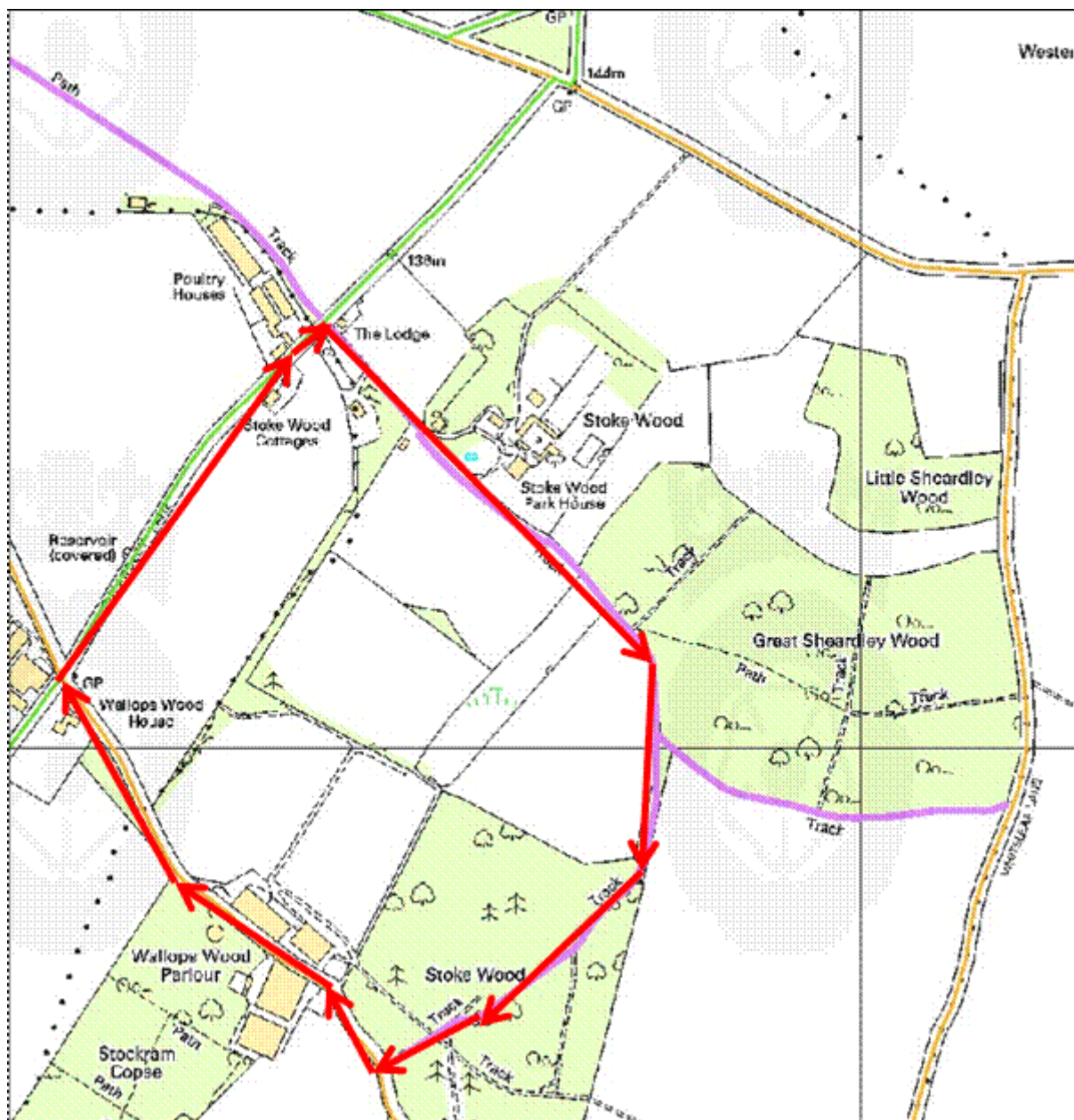
Dog Walk 1 – Great Sheardley Wood (40 minutes)



Circular route, following country lanes and footpaths, and has gates but no stiles. In the spring the woods are carpeted in bluebells.

- 1) Turn left out of the car park up Sheardley Lane and turn right into Watton Lane.
- 2) Follow the Lane until the junction with Whiteleaf Lane and turn right again.
- 3) There's a finger post to your right indicating the path beside Great Sheardley Wood on your right and field to your left, follow this to T-junction and turn right.
- 4) Follow the path, through a couple of gates, skirting the hedge of Stoke Wood Park House, and out onto their access road which takes you back to Sheardley Lane.

Dog Walk 2 – Stoke Wood (30 minutes)



Circular route, following country lanes and footpaths, and has gates but no stiles.

1) Turn left out of the car park up Sheardley Lane and immediately right towards Stoke Wood Park House. As you reach a set of electric metal gates, turn right and through a white picket gate, following the Footpath signs.

BEYOND THE ELECTRIC GATES IS PRIVATE PROPERTY

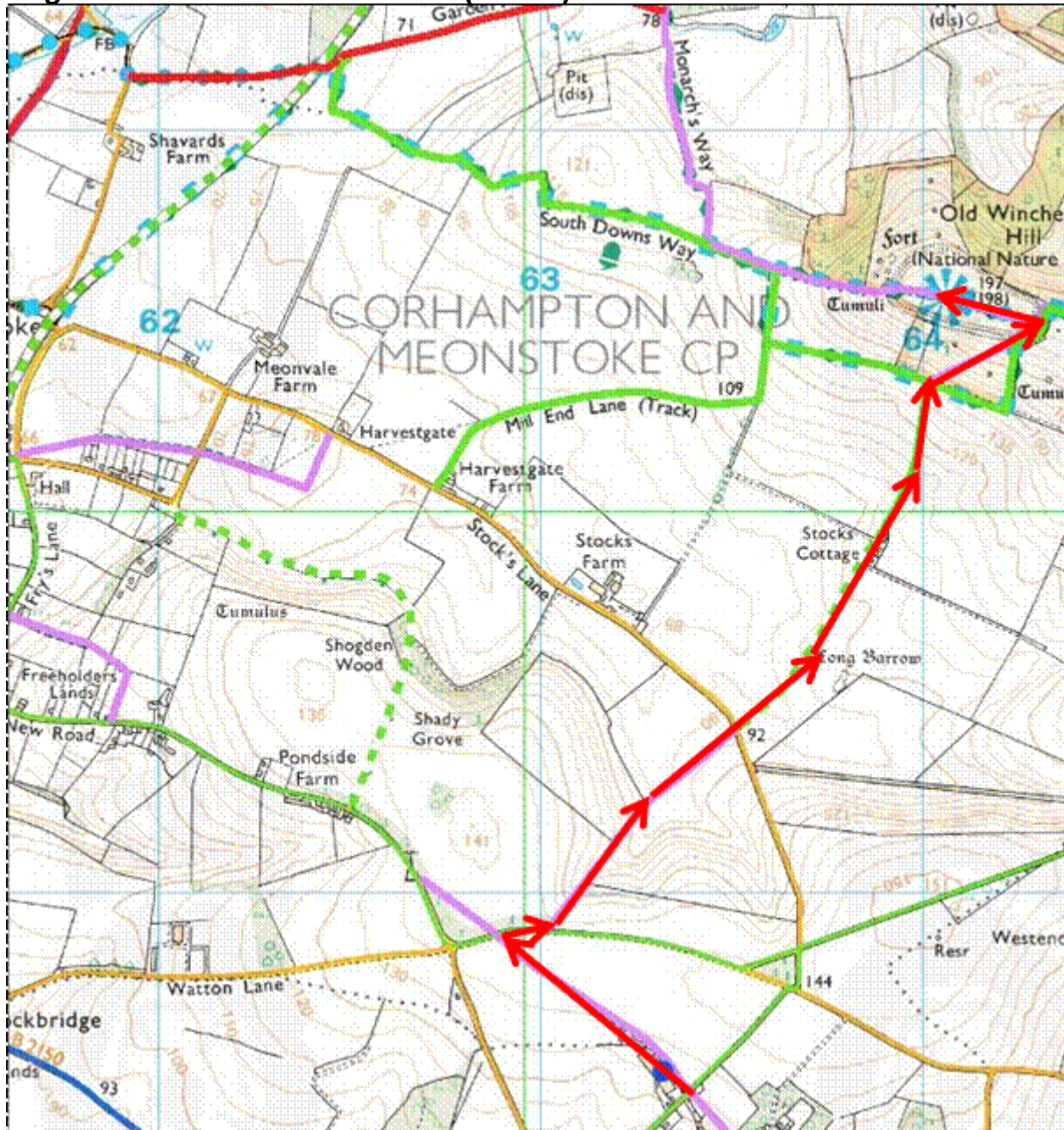
2) Follow the path, through a couple of gates, with the hedge of Stoke Wood Park House and then Great Sheardley Wood on your left.

3) When path forks, keep straight on and enjoy the view over the field to your left before entering Stoke Wood.

4) You emerge on New Road and turn right passing through Wallops Wood Parlour (dairy farm) and a great sign which says to look out for the free-range children and animals!

5) At the junction turn right into Sheardley Lane to return to the cottages.

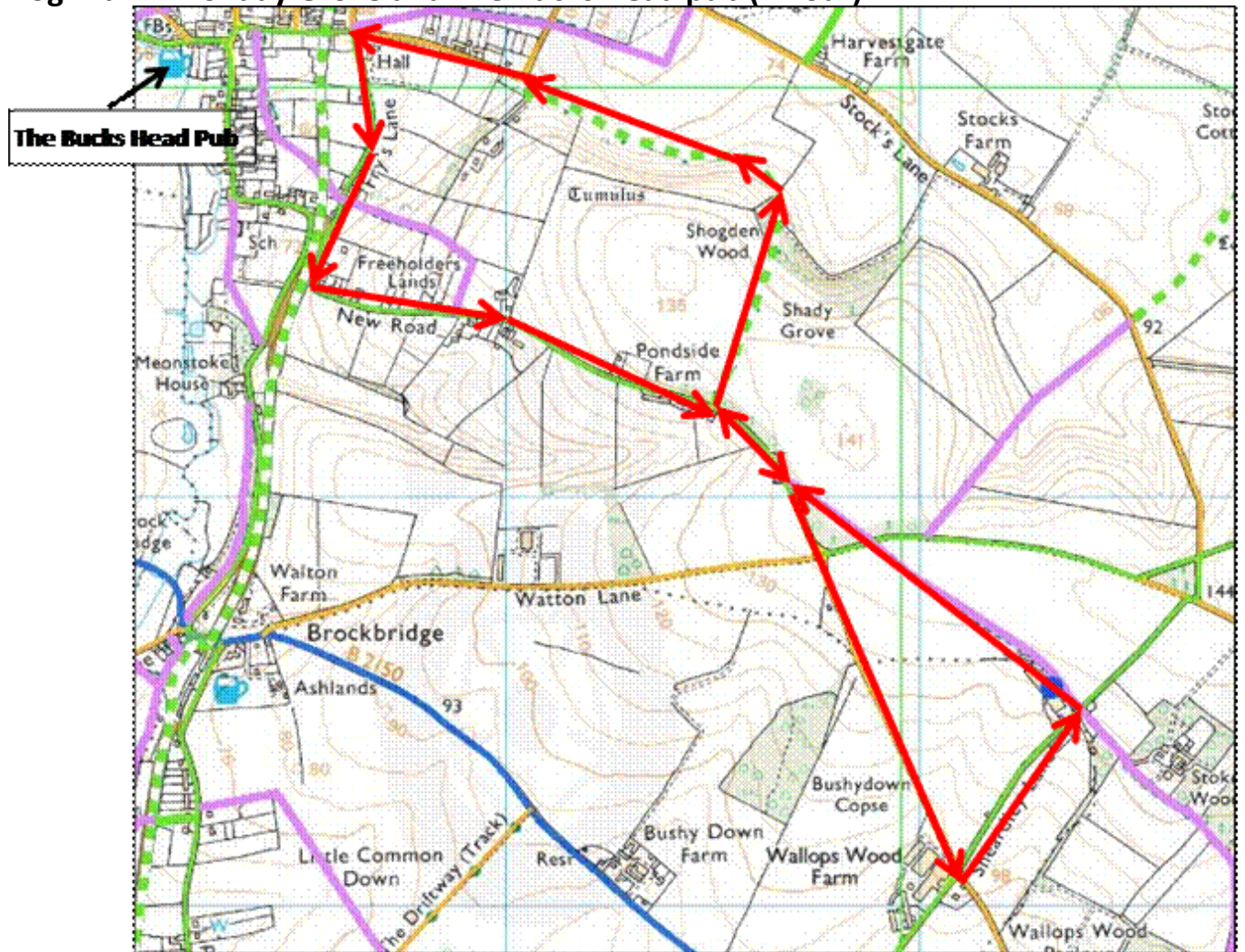
Dog Walk 3 – Old Winchester Hill (1 hour)



Linear route, following country lanes and footpaths, with gates and stiles to Old Winchester Hill National Nature Reserve which is an Iron Age fort on the South Downs Way, with stunning views.

- 1) Turn left out of the car park up Sheardley Lane and immediately left following the footpath across the field (this can be difficult to identify when there is a mature crop, in which case you are better to continue up Sheardley Lane, across the junction down Stock's Lane).
- 2) There is a stile on to Watton Lane, turn right and then follow the finger post into the field on your left and head down the hill, crossing Stock's Lane and then heading up past Stocks Cottage to Old Winchester Hill.
- 3) Return by the same route.

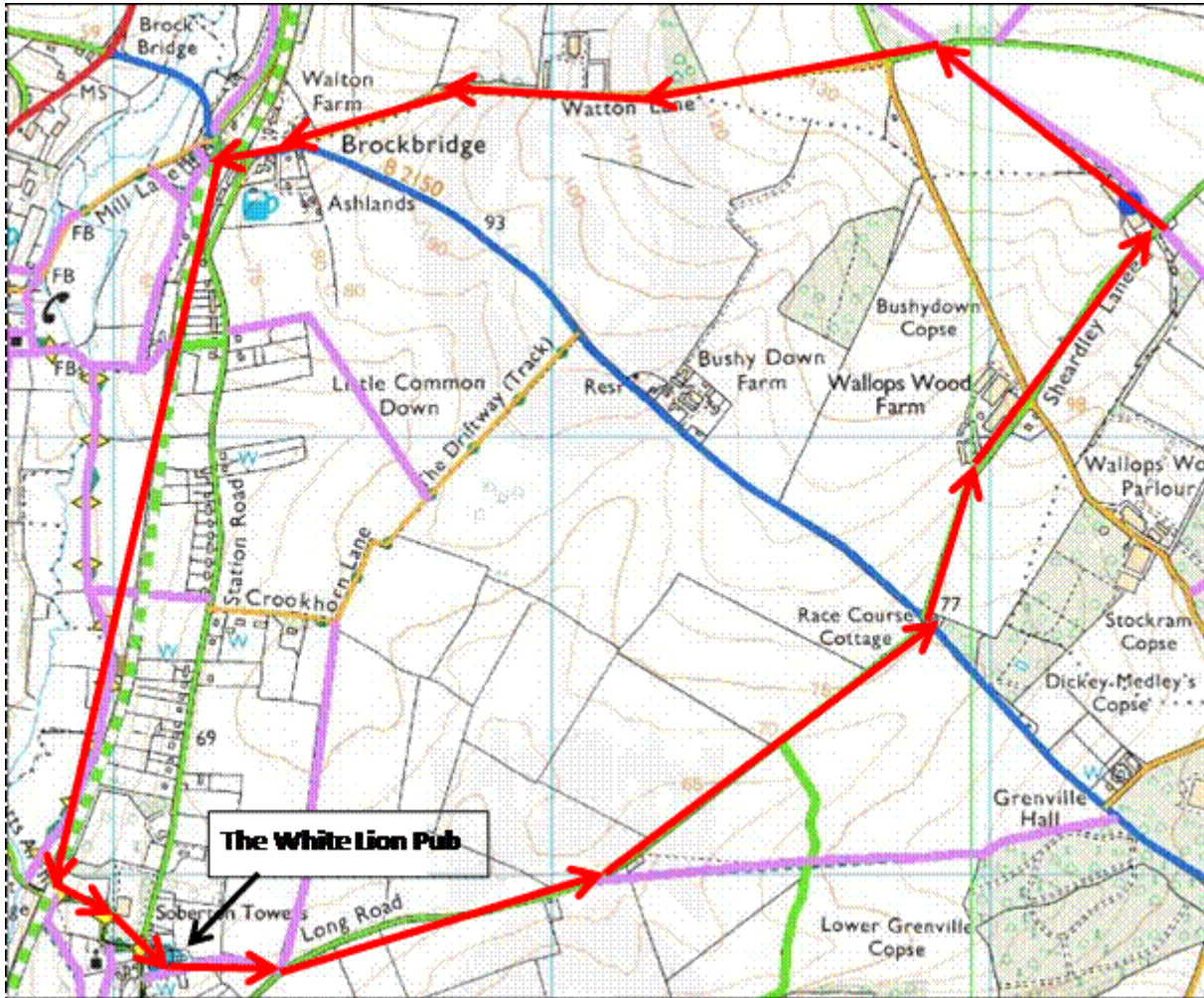
Dog Walk 4 – Shady Grove and The Bucks Head pub (1 hour)



Circular route, following country lanes and footpaths, with gates and stiles and views of Old Winchester Hill. Dog-friendly The Bucks Head pub in Meonstoke.

- 1) Turn left out of the car park up Sheardley Lane and immediately left following the footpath across the field (this can be difficult to identify when there is a mature crop, in which case you are better to continue up Sheardley Lane and left along Watton Lane).
- 2) If you've followed the path across the field, there is a stile on to Watton Lane, go straight across another stile to cut corner of field, then turn right down New Road.
- 3) On your right, before Ponside Farm, there is a wide track heading down through woodland called 'Shady Grove', which offers fabulous views of Beacon Hill and Old Winchester Hill.
- 4) You come out at the corner of Pound Lane, which you can follow left into Meonstoke for a pint or a meal at The Bucks Head pub, or turn left after the village hall into Fry's Lane which turns into New Road and takes you back up the hill towards the cottages.
- 5) Either take the paths back across the field or follow New Road down to the junction with Sheardley Lane and head back up to the cottages.

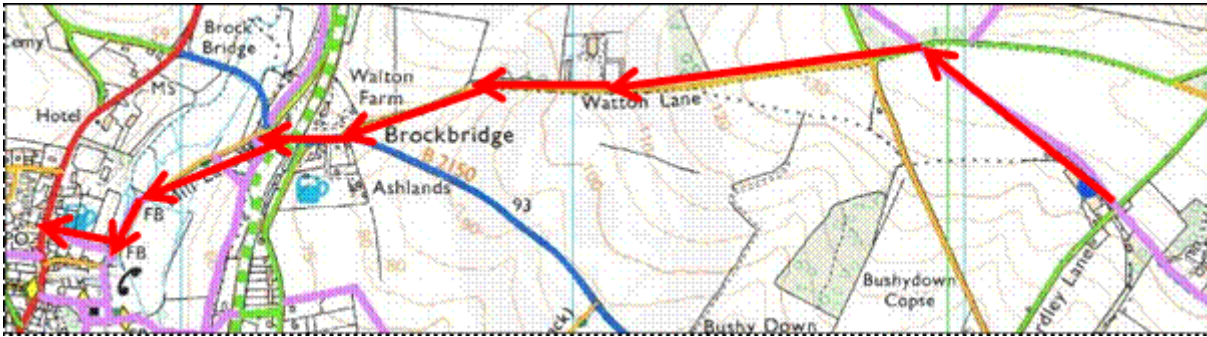
Dog Walk 5 – Meon Valley Trail and The White Lion pub (2 hours)



Circular route via dog-friendly The White Lion pub in Soberton, following country lanes, former railway line (Meon Valley Trail) and footpaths.

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- 2) If you've followed the path across the field, there is a stile on to Watton Lane, turn left and follow it down the hill towards Brockbridge.
- 3) Turn right onto the B2150 and take the path to your right up onto the Meon Valley Trail. Turn left along the trail for about 1 mile.
- 4) Just before the 2nd bridge over the Meon Valley Trail, take the path to the left up to the road behind Soberton Towers, past the church to the White Lion pub.
- 5) Turn right on Station Road and thereafter shortly left on a footpath.
- 6) Path comes out on Long Road, turn left and follow this, crossing the B2150 and heading back up Sheardley Lane to the cottages.

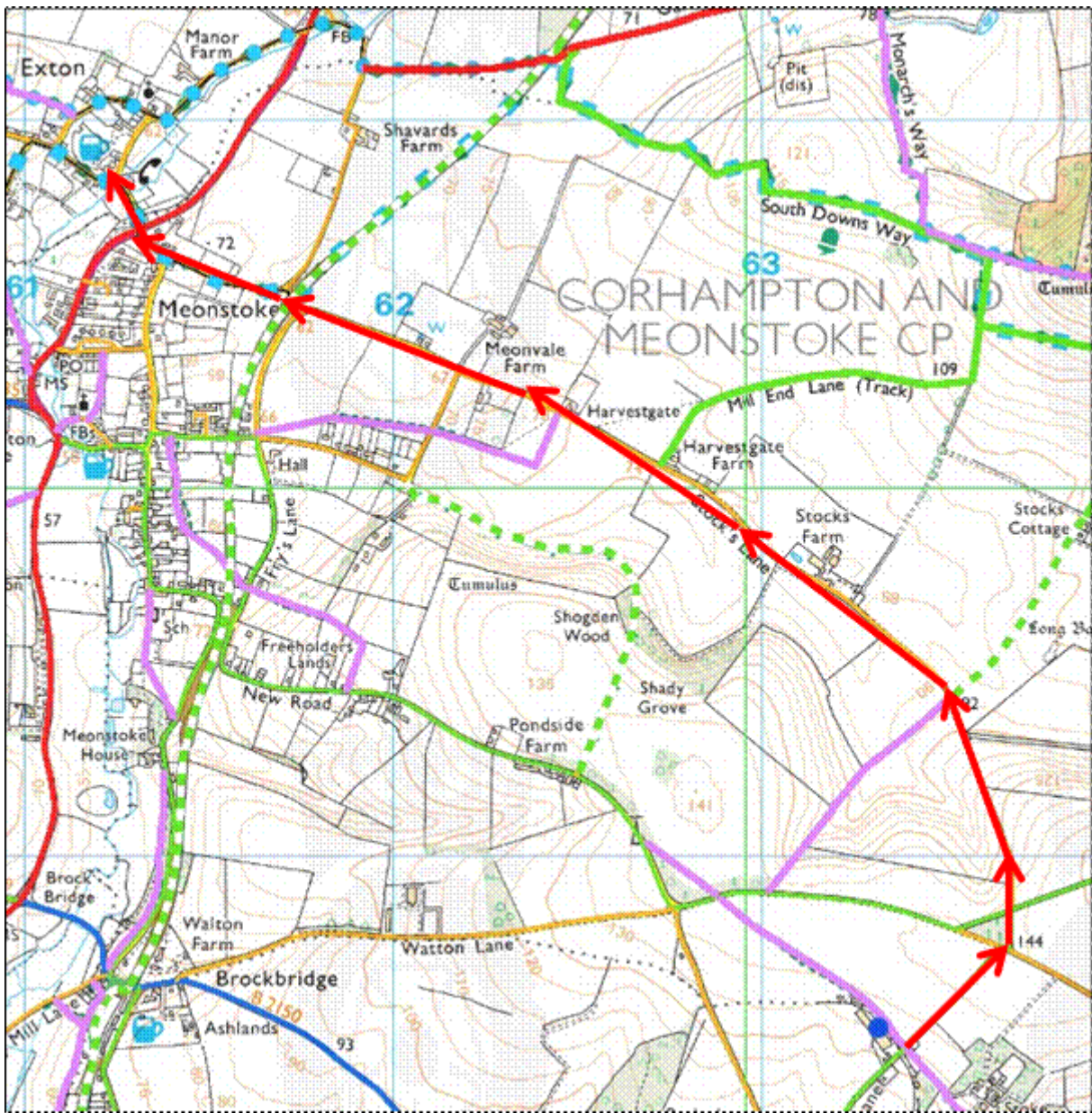
Dog Walk 6 – The Bakers Arms pub, Droxford (1 hour)



Linear route to dog-friendly pub The Bakers Arms in Droxford, following country lanes and footpaths. Only half an hour each way.

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- 2) If you've followed the path across the field, there is a stile on to Watton Lane, turn left and follow it down the hill towards Brockbridge. (Dogs are not permitted at The Hurdles pub)
- 3) Turn right onto the B2150, under the railway bridge (Meon Valley Trail) and take the second left down Mill Lane which becomes a path which crosses the River Meon, taking you past The Mill and out onto Mill Lane.
- 4) Head up Mill Lane, cross the A32 to the pavement and turn right, cross the road again for the Bakers Arms.
- 5) Return by the same route in reverse.

Dog Walk 7 – The Shoe Inn pub, Exton (1 hour)



Linear walk on country roads to dog-friendly (and accessible) pub The Shoe Inn, Exton. Largely downhill on the way there and uphill on the way back!

- 1) Turn left out of the car park up Sheardley Lane and across the junctions down Stock's Lane.
- 2) Follow Stock's Lane all the way down the hill past the access points to the Meon Valley Trail until you reach the A32.
- 3) Cross the A32 and take Beacon Hill Lane (almost straight across the road) into Exton. Turn right into Shoe Lane and the pub is one side of the road and the beer garden beside the River Meon is on the otherside.
- 4) Return by the same route.