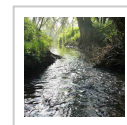


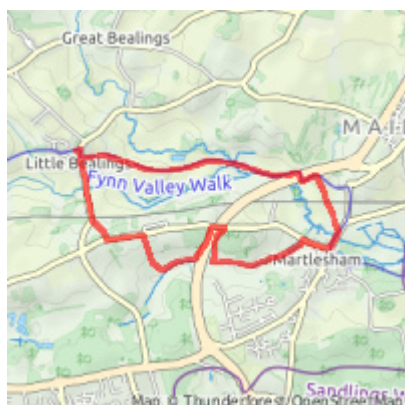
Butler's Brook



Route Summary

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Route Overview



Category: Walking

Rating: Unrated

Surface: Moderate

Date Published: 5th December 2020

Difficulty: Easy

Length: 6.820 km / 4.26 mi

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Description

A walk of around 4.5 miles with very different scenery to the central Fynn Valley. The walk runs to the east and south of Little Bealings, starting out on the same pleasant route as the East Lark Loop. We then walk further east past the convergence of the rivers Fynn and Lark, under the A12, over the railway line and past the Red Lion Pub, in order to loop back into some hidden delights south of Little Bealings. The highlight of this walk is the watery woodlands of "Butlers Brook", where raised wooden board walks meander next to the pretty brook, helping you enjoy the surroundings whilst keeping your feet dry! We then cross back over the A12 to proceed to the impressive and extensive paddocks just south of Little Bealings. On the approach back into Little Bealings, we suddenly emerge from a small path into a wonderful view back towards the village and the church, before proceeding back along "The Street" to our start point.

Waypoints

1 Go behind the Angela Cobbold Hall

(52.08466; 1.25293)

Turn left to take the track that runs behind the Angela Cobbold Hall

Walk through to the next field

(52.08487; 1.25639)

Take the path through the thicket to emerge in the field behind the trees, then take the path uphill towards the lone oak tree.

Oak of Hope

(52.08373; 1.26187)

During the Covid-19 Great Lockdown of 2020, a tradition started of leaving painted stones with messages of hope at the base of this tree. There are good views in all directions from this section of the path.

Permissive path alternative

(52.08417; 1.27272)

At times of year when there has been much rain, the main path can become muddy. When this happens, the local landowner sometimes opens a permissive path through his fields adjacent to the main path, with more solid ground.

Tunnel under the A12

(52.08347; 1.28097)

Branch to the right to take the track through the tunnel underneath the A12

Path diagonally across the field

(52.08312; 1.28338)

A path (sometimes indistinct) runs diagonally across the meadow to the stile you can see in the distance which leads up to the railway line.

Butlers Brook Footpath

(52.07816; 1.28160)

Locate the footpath to your left leading to the board-walk alongside Butler's Brook.

Path to the right

(52.07646; 1.26996)

Take the path to the right. This leads through a pleasant track through the trees to the bridge over the A12, providing views north and south along the road.

Martlesham Road

(52.07910; 1.27144)

Turn left to the bridge- beware of traffic.

A12 View

(52.07915; 1.27068)

Views along the road- a footpath on both sides of the bridge allows you to enjoy these without standing in the road.

Footpath to Paddocks

(52.07918; 1.26980)

Take the footpath to the left just after the bridge which leads to the impressive paddocks

Martlesham Road

(52.07851; 1.26102)

Turn left to walk west along Martlesham Road for about 250m, then locate the little path to the right which leads through a copse to a sweeping view towards Little Bealings and the surrounding countryside. Martlesham Road can have fast approaching cars, despite the speed limit, so stay alert!

Footpath just past "Bealings Hill"

(52.07814; 1.25643)

Take the footpath to the left of the property called 'Bealings Hill'

Views to the North

(52.07878; 1.25596)

Views across Little Bealings and the surrounding countryside

The Street

(52.07969; 1.25448)

Turn right onto the street. Although the speed limit is 20mph here, beware of traffic which can emerge from blind bends through the village.

