



Pic 1: Crossing in between the posts



Pic 2: The line of ancient oaks



Pic 3: The wooden footbridge



Pic 4: The style in the middle of the field



Pic 5: The trail in between the fence and trees



Pic 6: Style in between the field and the road

The Chiddingly Walk

Walk overview:

Distance: 4 miles (6.5 km)

Time: 2 – 2.5 hour

Description: Taking in the views of Chiddingly church, an interesting walk through the village of Chiddingly and through the fields surrounding this neighbourhood.



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Leave The Gun and turn left down the lane. Walk along this road and immediately behind the crossroad turn right. There is a style with a wooden signpost 'Wealdenway' next to the entrance to Gate House Farm. Climb over this style into the field and walk diagonally across it. In the corner climb over the next style into the next field. Turn right and follow the edge of the field.

From now on all the way to Chiddingly you should be able to have nice views of Chiddingly church. Follow the trail along the edge of the field until a passing in between wooden posts marked by a yellow arrow **(1)**. Go through and continue along the path through the forest. Walk diagonally across a small field and over the wooden footbridge. Follow the yellow arrow at the end of the footbridge and keep walking straight along the edge of the fields (you can see the jumps of the famous Hale cross country course around you) until you come to a track. Continue along this track and through the wooden gate onto the road.

Turn left onto the road and after 50 yards (50m) turn right and go through a wooden gate marked by a yellow arrow. Walk diagonally across the field (you can admire the line of ancient oaks **(2)**) to the furthest corner. In the corner climb over a style and follow the trail down the hill. Walk over a small footbridge **(3)** and continue along the trail until you come to the field. Walk diagonally across this field in the direction of the church. Pass the 'style in the middle of nowhere' **(4)** and climb over two regular ones until you meet a road.

Turn right onto the road and walk for 100 yards (100m) until you see a phone box on the right and former 'Broke Bond Tea' shop on the left. Turn right and follow the sign 'Vanguard Way' on a signpost next to the phone box. Walk along the trail in between bushes, climb over the style and keep walking along the trail, later straight along the edge of a small field. At the end of the field climb over a couple of styles into the next field. Walk straight along the edge of the field, through a metal gate and follow a trail in between the fence and the bushes **(5)**. Go through the next metal gate and keep walking straight along the edge of the field. Climb over a style marked by a yellow arrow and continue along the edge of the next field. Then go through the metal gate onto the road.

Turn right onto the road, walk over a bridge with a white rail and turn left onto a trail. Climb over a style marked by a yellow arrow and follow the trail. At the end go through an iron gate and keep walking straight along the edge of the field and later keep straight across the field. In between the bushes you meet a style, climb over it and turn right onto the road.

Follow the road until a T-junction. Walk a little bit to the right and over a style **(6)** into the field. Continue along the edge of the field, climb over a style and follow the edge of the next field. Climb over the next style and turn left onto a trail. Climb over the style marked by a yellow arrow and follow this trail. Walk over a small wooden footbridge and keep walking along this trail until you see a bigger bridge. There is a very lovely waterfall underneath the bridge, the only possible access to see that is along the public bridleway as everywhere around is private property. Walk up the hill and turn right onto the track.

Keep walking along the track through the farm until the track bears to the left. Continue straight over a style and along the edge of the field. At the end of the field climb over the next style and keep walking straight through the forest until you meet a wooden gate. Climb over a style next to the gate and follow the track through the horse yards and through the farm until you come to a road.

Walk straight over the road into Bull River Farm, and continue through a wooden gate and along the bridleway until an iron gate. Go through this gate and keep walking through Strood farm and along the concrete panel road until you reach another road. Turn right and go back to The Gun.

