

Walk 3 – Harbins Park (8 miles)

Starting from the village hall turn left into Church Road, pass St. Peter's Close on the left, then take the next left into Arlecks Lane. At the top of the lane bear left and follow the road up the hill, through white gates of Stud Farm. Go past the farmhouse on the right and farm buildings on the left and carry on walking up this bridle way, taking time to admire the lovely views, to the end of the metalled track at the top of the hill.

Take the way marked grassy track to the left and follow this with the hedge on your right, through a metal farm gate with Ferns Plantation on your left. The track then descends to a gate at the bottom right corner of the field. Go through the gate and cross the stony track and take the green lane almost opposite and follow this for about three quarters of a mile with Pimperne Wood on the right.

At the end of the wood continue straight on, through a farm gate, with field hedge on your left until reaching a minor road. Cross the road and continue straight ahead along the track past Harbins Park (a medieval deer park) for just over a mile. Follow the bridleway signs, bearing left, until you reach a gate into a field, cross the field diagonally to a gate into a wood, continue through the wood and a field.

On reaching a metalled road turn left downhill for a about 200 yards along the road, looking out for a bridleway sign on the left, take this path through the woods for the return through Hancocks Bottom, keep going straight on along the bottom, across the minor road into bridleway, follow this track past a white bungalow (Keepers Cottage) and in to the top of Newfields Road, which leads past the Village Hall into Church Road and back to the starting point.

