

# Walk Number 1

Burts Lane Hedgerow

## The Countryside Code - Respect Protect Enjoy

### Respect other people

- Consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors
- Leave gates and property as you find them and follow paths unless wider access is available

### Protect the natural environment

- Leave no trace of your visit and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under effective control

### Enjoy the outdoors

- Plan ahead and be prepared
- Follow advice and local signs

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## The Bellows Burn Tread

### Hart - Nesbitt - Sheraton Circular

Distance approximately 4.5 miles

This walk is mostly through farmland and also includes a steep sided river valley/dene and woodland. There are moderate to steep ascents and descents and one stile to cross.

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From the car park next to St Mary Magdalene churchyard

1 walk down Magdalene Drive, turning right onto Butts Lane 2.

**Butts Lane** - As you make your way along Butts lane, pay particular attention to the hedgerows alongside you. Hedgerows form one of the most wide spread wildlife habitats in the UK. They provide food and shelter for many wild animals, also creating corridors so that creatures can move around with some protection from predators.

Keep left where the lane splits 3 and continue along the road, (ignoring, as you walk down the lane, the two separate bridleway signs on your left) 4 until you reach Thorpe Bulmer Farm. Following the waymarker signs, bear left before the pond 5. Walk down the track towards a conifer wood. With the conifers on your right, walk down a field edge path.

At the end of path, enter the wood through a gap in the fence 6. Walk down the steps and cross a small bridge over Bellows Burn. Follow the path up the other side of the valley until you meet a grassy track 7.

Cross over the track onto another field edge path. Follow the path ahead, keeping the hedge line to your right. Turn left

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at the corner of the field, keeping to the edge. You now head towards a white bungalow and the farm lane 8. Turn left onto the lane and continue until you reach a bend in the road, turn right here onto Bellows Burn Lane 9.

Continue until you come to a public bridleway sign, shortly afterwards, on your left. Go

through a gap in the hedge 10 and onto a field edge bridleway path. Follow the path ahead, keeping the hedge to your right and join a farm track, continue walking ahead, uphill.

300 metres before reaching Sheraton Farm (field before farm gates), turn left onto a footpath keeping the hedge to your left, 11 and head towards

an old sheepfold 12. Cross over a stile and then a bridge over Bellows Burn. Immediately after the bridge, take a right and follow the path by the side of the stream along a Gorse-filled valley.

At the end of the valley, turn left through a gate 13 and head uphill onto a track that

becomes a field edge path. When you reach a bend to the right, leave the field edge path and cross straight ahead, over a cross-field path. heading towards and through a gate into a pasture field 14.

Walk a little to your left, towards a fenced off pond. Keep the pond on your left,

follow the fence to and through a gate and turn right into an enclosed green lane 15. Continue along the lane until you reach Butts Lane. Turn right into the lane towards Hart and take Magdalene Drive back to the church car park.