

Follow the Country Code

- Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under close control
- Consider other people

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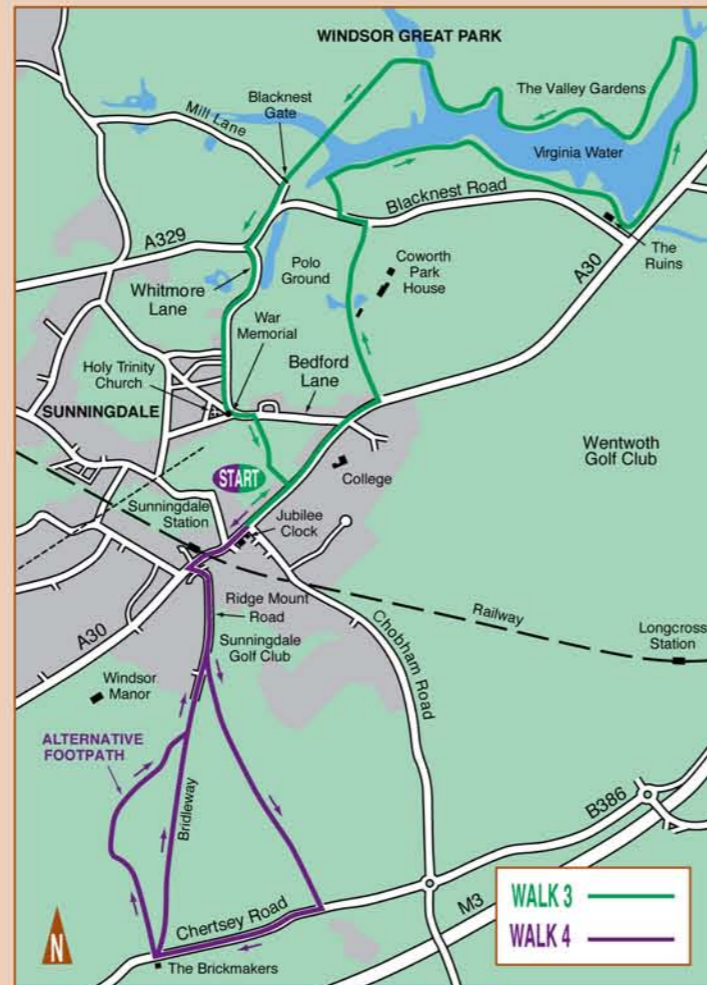
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and in spite of making very handsome offers of compensation for the road, many people opposed the plan. Whilst it is questionable as to whether such a deal would have been legally binding, the parishioners refusal of the offer meant that use of the road has been uninterrupted to this day.

Continue on the road passing the polo ground to Blacknest Road. Turn left, taking care on this very busy road. After a short distance cross to Blacknest car park, with a gate into Windsor Great Park. Go straight ahead to Virginia Water Lake. Turn right and follow the lake all the way round, about 4 miles. You will pass The Ruins, brought in 1816 from the ruined Roman City of Leptis Magna



near Tripoli, and erected here in 1827 by George IV's architect, Sir Jeffrey Wyatville.

Below Valley Gardens on the far side of the lake turn left onto a road. Keep to the left of the horse track to Blacknest Gate to exit the park. Go straight ahead to London Road and turn right. At a right hand bend go left to Whitmore Lane, taking care as you cross the road. Continue to Holy Trinity Church, turn left to Bedford Lane and just past the bungalows turn right to the footpath, which crosses the fields to the A30.

WALK 4 Ridge Mount Road, Sunningdale Golf Course, Windlesham

Distance: 3.5 - 4 miles (5.5 - 6.5 k) Time: 2 hours +

From the Jubilee Clock on the A30 go west, over the level crossing, turn left to Ridge Mount Road continuing up the hill. As the road levels, look for a post box in the wall just before Sunningdale Golf Club, marked Edward VII Reign. This would have been erected between 1901-1910. Pass Sunningdale Golf Club and further along is a footpath on the left, which enters the golf course running parallel with the first fairway. Very soon you are in Surrey and there are three marked walks through the golf course leading to Windlesham.

By following the easterly footpath (watch out for golfers as you cross the fairways) you emerge on Chertsey Road nearly opposite Brick Hill. Turn right and after 1/2 mile The Brickmakers, (a convivial public house with traditional British food), is on the right.

Look for a bridleway, which is the centre track through the golf course. To the west is a footpath,



a slightly longer route, joining the bridleway just before Ridge Mount Road and back to the A30.

*Footpath through
Sunningdale Golf
Course*



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Walk Discover Enjoy Your Sunningdale

Introduction

Sunningdale is a small southerly Parish within the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead. Originally Sunningdale with the exception of Coworth formed part of Windsor Forest, the ancient hunting ground of Saxon, Norman and English kings.

One interesting relic of the past is the Roman Road; a wonderful piece of engineering of so stupendous a character that when the Saxons saw it they could not believe it was the work of men and so christened it 'The Devil's Highway'.

The definitive footpaths and bridleways link the various areas of the village, and form the Parish's Public Rights of way network. To the south there are links with Surrey and to the north with Windsor Great Park. Discover the Woodland Walk, through the ancient Alder woodland, off Broomhall Recreation Ground.

Walk for health and relaxation

Discover Your Sunningdale

Enjoy the beauty of nature

WALK 1 Chobham Road/Common, Shrubbs Hill, Old Village

Distance: 3 miles (5 k) Time: 1 hour 15 mins

From the Jubilee clock on the A30 go west past the Sunningdale Lounge (a friendly atmosphere with home cooked traditional food) to Majestic Wine; turn left to Halfpenny Lane. Turn right at No 67, cross

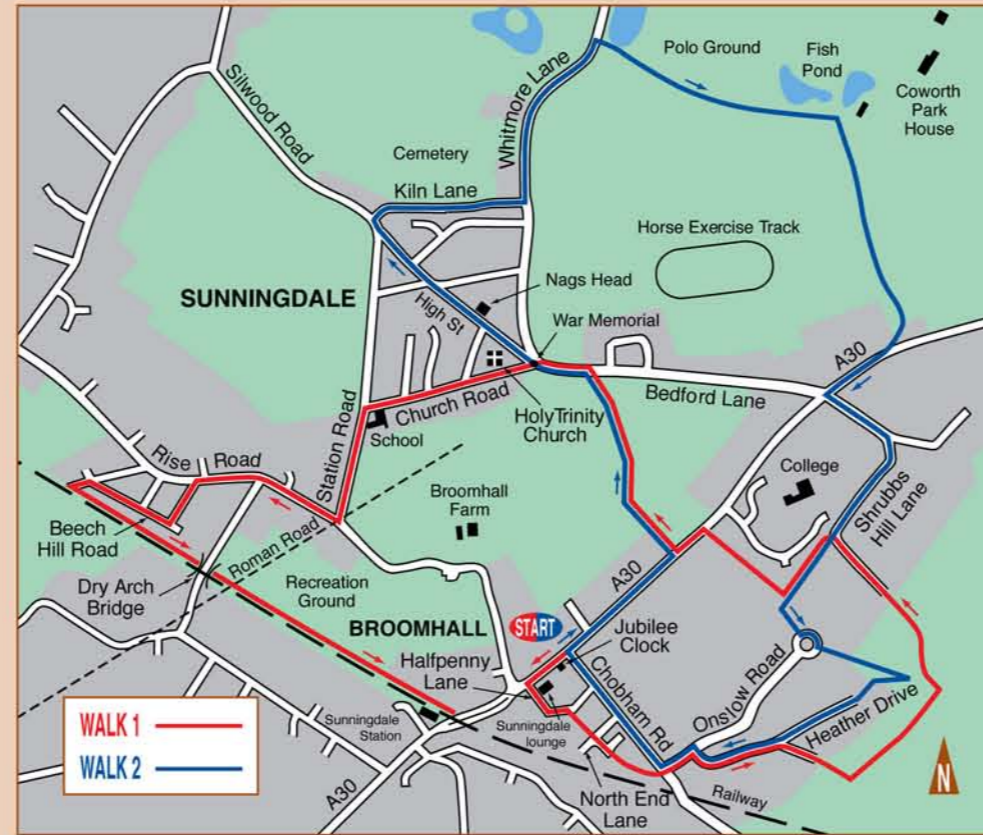
North End Lane to the footpath leading to Chobham Road. Cross the road to Onslow Road, turn tight to Heather Drive and right at the footpath sign, and so into Surrey.

Bear left through the woods, the path narrows and after a stream turn left then right at the corner of the golf course. The path bears left through the woods to Shrubbs Hill Lane.



The Cinder Path

As the lane bears right, go left to Chimney Cottage. At the stream turn right along Tinkers Lane to the A30. Turn left and at the Sunningdale sign, cross the road to the footpath that crosses fields and is bounded by hedgerows.



At Bedford Lane turn left, ahead is the war memorial, which was unveiled by Lord Stanley later the Right Hon. Earl of Derby, who purchased Coworth around 1900. He was a benefactor to the Holy Trinity Church that you now see and which was rebuilt in 1887. The original small church, built in 1840, had a chancel and side chapel added by the Rev. W.C. Raffles Flint in 1860, as a memorial to his Uncle, Sir Stamford Raffles, a former governor of the Straits Settlements, and one of the founders of Zoological Gardens at Regents Park.

Bear left along Church Road passing the Coronation Memorial Institute (formerly a reading room), the

allotments, Village Hall and Holy Trinity School (the first pupils were here in 1842). Turn left into Station Road and bordering the school grounds is Broomhall Farm, close to the site of Broomhall Priory, a convent of Benedictine nuns founded

in the twelfth century and closed in 1524 during the period of dissolution.

At the junction turn right to Rise Road and after the left hand bend turn left into Beech Hill Road. Follow the road to Lynwood Crescent turn left and left again by the railway line to the Cinder Path named from the time of the steam engine. Continue to Dry Arch Bridge, so named as no beer money was given to the workers when completed. Cross the road, pass Broomhall Recreation Ground, ahead across the field is the Jubilee Bridge. As the houses of Cedar Drive appear, to the left is the Woodland Path that leads back to the bridge. Very shortly you come to Sunningdale Station and the A30.

WALK 2 Old Village, Coworth Park, Shrubbs Hill, Heather Drive.

Distance: 3 miles (5k) Time: 1 hour 15 mins

From the Jubilee Clock on the A30 go east for 1/4 mile to the footpath sign. Turn left crossing fields and bounded by hedgerows to Bedford Lane. Turn left and at the crossroads go straight ahead to High Street with Holy Trinity Church on the left and the Baptist Church on the right. Pass the Nags Head (a welcoming atmosphere with a core menu of British pub classics) and continue to a junction.



Hedgerows in blossom

Bear right and turn immediately right into Kiln Lane. Pass the cemetery; a haven of peace, Diana Dors is buried here, her house having been at Shrubbs Hill Lane. Continue to Whitmore Lane; turn left with the Bowling Club on the left.

At a left hand bend turn right through a gate entering a small wood. There used to be a cottage on the right, lived in by 'Granny Kettle'. Cross a track and follow Granny Kettle's footpath across fields, parts of which are used as Polo grounds. At the buildings of Coworth Park turn right; continue straight ahead as the road narrows becoming a path through woodland. At the A30 turn right and at the bollard cross the road and turn left to Shrubbs Hill Lane.

The lane bears right at some cottages, at a left-hand bend go straight ahead to Chimney Cottage. The track narrows then curves left onto Onslow Road. At the roundabout swing left to the footpath opposite. Follow it through the woodland to a track. Turn right and shortly enter Heather Drive, following this to the junction with Onslow Road. Turn left and then right at Chobham Road leading to the A30.

WALK 3 Coworth Park, Windsor Great Park, Old Village.

Distance: 9 miles (14.5k) Time: 3 hours 30 mins

From the Jubilee Clock on the A30 go east for about 1/2 mile to the Coworth Park sign. Turn left and follow the path through woodland to the buildings of Coworth Park.

Coworth dates back to Saxon times, but its more recent history, when owned by Sir William Farmer from 1884 to around 1900, tells that Sir William would have liked to have closed the little-used road through Coworth from Shrubbs Hill to Blacknest. He called a meeting of parishioners