

The Wayfarers Walk, Droxford to Denmead



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Distance:	5.5 miles
Start:	Droxford

The Wayfarers Walk is a 70-mile, long-distance walking route that will take you from its dramatic start, high on the chalk downs at Inkpen – over some of the finest chalk turf in Hampshire down to the mud flats and salt marshes along the coast to finish at Emsworth Harbour. The Walk has been divided into six sections, each providing a really good day out. Choose between high chalk downland with exhilarating views or chalk-stream valleys buzzing with wildlife, peaceful pubs in pretty villages or a busy market town, or why not have a relaxing seaside picnic while watching the marsh wildlife.

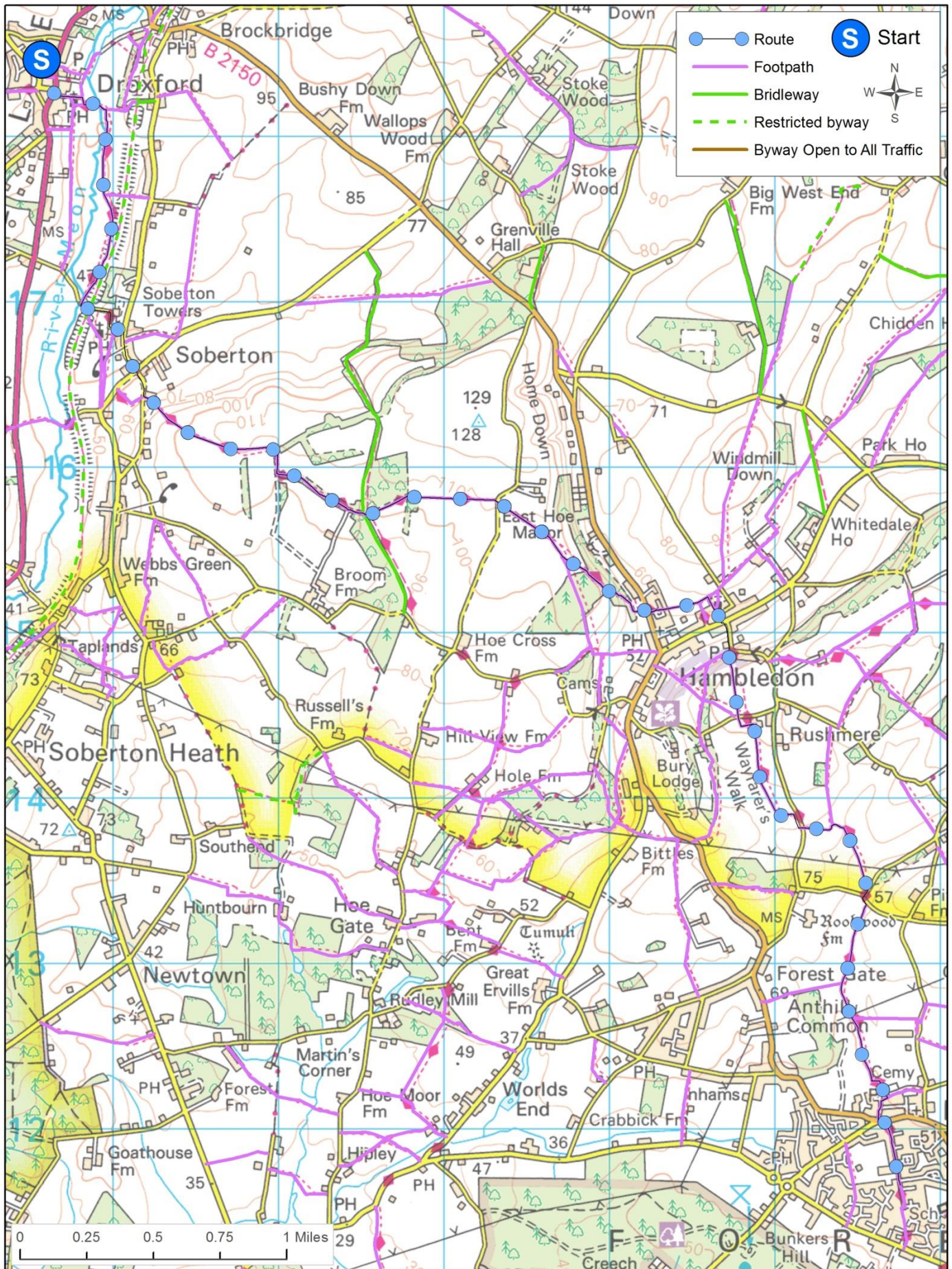
Directions

The route now crosses the River Meon and follows it south to Soberton. From Soberton the route climbs out of the valley to higher ground until you reach the wooded Lithey Hanger that overlooks the quiet village of Hambledon.

Hambledon's secret is that it is the home of English cricket. Besides the pitch at nearby Broadhalfpenny Down is a memorial to those local heroes of the 1700s.

The route now leaves the chalky land and crosses over wet clays which were once clothed in a vast dense forest, the royal hunting Forest of Bere. The route enters the village of Denmead close to Forest Gate.

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