

Walks Around Swannington, Alderford and Attlebridge

No.2 Alderford Common, Marriott's Way and Swannington Upgate

If you are arriving by car then you can park on the edge of Swannington Common before the old Hastings-Parker water pump.

- With your back to the pump, turn **right** and walk towards the village sign on the small triangle of grass at the fork in the road. ①
- At the village sign take the **right** fork along Broad Lane until the road takes a sharp **left** turn. ②
- Instead of following the road at this point walk along the drive to Heath Farm House and look out for a public footpath fingerpost in a gap in the hedge on the **left**-hand side.
- Go up the bank and walk along the edge of the cultivated field looking for a second fingerpost that points across the field to the far corner.
- Follow the path towards the corner where it reaches the Reepham Road. ③
- Cross the Reepham Road taking care with the traffic as the speed limit is delimited at this point.
- Enter Alderford Common and continue walking ahead. Ignore paths off to the **right** and go through a kissing gate and on towards open ground.
- Follow the path to the **right** of the wooden bench ④ and up some uneven steps to higher ground.
- Eventually you will go through a second kissing gate and arrive at Station Road that runs down into Attlebridge. ⑤ Turn right onto the road.
- Walk along the edge of the road until you reach a copse of mainly evergreens on the **left**. ⑥
- Go around the back of these trees and walk downhill along the edge of a cultivated field.
- At the bottom of the hill turn **left** and walk along a track until you reach a gap that leads onto the Marriott's Way. ⑦
- Turn **left** and continue along the Marriott's Way until you come to a bench on the **left**.
- Shortly after the bench look out for steps on the **left** that lead down and off the Marriott's Way. ⑧
- Go down these steps and up a track that starts alongside a field with horses in but then opens up leading to the same Reepham road that you crossed earlier. ⑨
- Cross the Reepham road once more (with the same care as before) and continue along a track that runs along the **right**-hand side of the hedgerow.
- Eventually this track ends up in Swannington Upgate and when you reach the road turn immediately **left** and walk along the road back towards Swannington. ⑩
- Ignore the track off to the **left** after the last house but look out for another fingerpost a few metres further on the **left** that takes you up the bank to walk along the edge of another cultivated field. ⑪
- Follow this path past two houses on the **right** and look out for a path on the **right** shortly after this that takes you back to the road. ⑫
- Turn **left** and continue down into Swannington and back to the old water pump to complete your walk.

Walk No.2

