

## Walkies! With Berkhamsted Living & Tring Living Magazine

**Autumn 2021: Pitstone Hill**

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**START/END:** Memorial Hall car park

**DISTANCE:** Approximately 3.5 miles (5.6km)

Starting from the Memorial Hall car park go across the recreation ground to the roundabout and turn right up Marsworth Road towards the village. After about 200 yards take the smaller gate on your right into the permissive footpath surrounding the allotments. Do not enter the allotment site.

Follow this path round till you come to a farm track. Turn left and follow the track straight up till you reach the road by the Silver Birch. Beware that this path can be muddy in parts in the winter.

Cross the road taking great care. This is the safest place to cross the road. Cross the narrow field on the permissive footpath. Go through the hole in the hedge and turn left onto Footpath 7.

Continue on this footpath over a stile, across the field entrance and round to your right parallel with Stocks Road and continue up the hill.

When you reach the top of this path go through the gate and turn right. Follow the wide path till you reach the well-trodden path coming down from the top of the hill (Picadilly). Turn right here and climb up to the highest point. On your way note the overgrown copse on your right. This is the AA wood planted in the 50's by members of the AA with neither permission or plan for maintenance. Also note a dug out pocket beside the path to your right. This is the Pitstone home guard gun emplacement from World War II.

Admire the view from the highest point including All Saints, Leighton Buzzard to your right and County Council building in Aylesbury to your left.

When you reach a post with blue arrow bear right and follow the path downwards till you reach the gate into Aldbury Nowers. Do not go through the gate.

Turn down the hill which is quite steep at this point. Go straight on through the gate onto the footpath going down the side of the quarry. After you have been through the metal barrier at the bottom turn right to walk on a footpath parallel with the road.

At the end cross onto the road near the roundabout. Take care here and make your way across the roundabout and along Westfield Road.

Follow the Footpath sign across the quarry to Church Road. At the end of Church Road turn left and follow Vicarage Road back to the Memorial Hall.

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