

## Circular Walk #1

About one and a half hours duration and 4km in length.

Leaving Coddenham Church head westwards towards Coddenham House. This was once the rectory. After walking next to the walled gardens of the house the path follows a sunken track marking the former route of the road to Needham Market. Upon crossing a stile the path follows the edge of the wood. There are abundant wild flowers growing here which attract a variety of butterflies in the summer months. At the end of the field the path narrows as it passes through a small area of woodland. Soon the walker is descending along a track. To the right of the track is the remains of one of the limekilns. The other one can be viewed from the B1078 by detouring a little to the south at the road junction.

Turn to the north and follow the narrow lane known as The Hollows. At the back of the field on the right can be seen an outcrop of chalk - all that is now visible of the extensive quarry pits that once occupied this area and are now filled in.

Follow the bridleway along the valley floor until the crossing of paths occurs. Turn right to walk up beside the wooded area where houses forming the hamlet of Coddenham Row once stood. The next landmark is Coddenham Wood. Turn to the south here and follow the major farm track called The Drift. Shortly before reaching Coddenham village the path leaves the track and crosses a field to join Blacksmith's Lane at its crossing point with the stream.

## Circular Walk #2

About 1 hour duration and 2km in length.

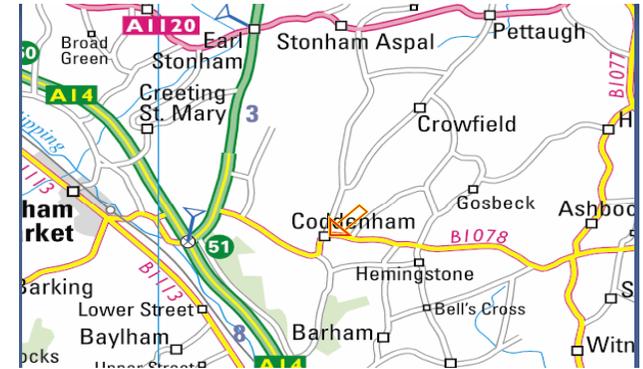
This walk begins in School Lane opposite Blacksmith's Lane. The village lockup still stands near the start of the footpath which winds eastwards behind a house and then up a steep slope. Upon reaching a driveway cross over the stile. This location is called Mill Hill and some of the foundation stones of a post mill can still be seen. Walk around the edge of the field and cross another stile turning right to walk along a track. Fork left where the track enters a private field and continue beside the fence, over a bridge to reach the road.

Upon reaching Cooper Road walk a-little to the north before continuing eastward. At the junction of the B1078 and Rectory road turn westwards along Rectory Road. A detour is available up the hill to Hemingstone church but the recommended route is along Rectory road as far as Hemingstone Hall, a magnificent brick building on the right. Turn northwards immediately after Hemingstone Hall following the track way. There are abundant wild flowers to be seen in the spring along this part of the walk.

At the end at the track the path continues beside a house and then enters Broom Hill. This tract of managed public open space has several distinct flora areas from open grassland through broom, gorse and bramble heath to mature woodland. The walker is recommended to climb the hill to take in the excellent views across the valley to Needham Market. There is a choice of routes, either along the bottom of the slope to the church or a gentle climb to Love Lane which and the High Street

# CODDENHAM FOOTPATHS

Including rights of way and permissive paths



# FOOTPATHS IN CODDENHAM

## Key

- Commonly used path
- Cycle & Footpath
- Track
- Road
- Watercourse
- Field Boundary
- Parish Boundary
- ⊙ Woodland
- Buildings

The footpaths shown on the map are those that are in common use and way-marked in Coddenham. Some linking paths in other parishes are also shown for completeness.

