

About Linton and Gorsley

This walk in the undulating countryside of Linton Parish starts in the village of Gorsley ①, which many centuries was known as “Gorstley”, an area of wild heathland on the Herefordshire and Gloucestershire border, named after the gorse that flourished locally.

After passing through the old lanes of Gorsley and stopping off to explore Linton Quarry SSSI ②, the walk continues through orchards up towards Linton Hill ③. Spectacular views of the Malverns, May Hill and the Welsh mountains can be enjoyed as the you head along the quiet roads of Linton Ridge and Cut Throat Lane ④, ⑤ before then heading across fields and a hidden valley to the hamlet of The Fordings ⑥ with its attractive stone barns and farmhouse dating from the 17th century. Situated on Rudhall Brook this area was once important for iron smelting.

Hartleton Water, home to much wildlife, can be easily viewed with a short detour, though the walk continues with an ascent up to the historic village of Linton ⑦ with it's delightful conservation area and ancient yew tree in St Mary's churchyard.

After inspecting the Palin fountain, established by Sir Michael Palin's great-grandfather, the Reverend Edward Palin, who had been vicar of Linton from 1865 until 1903, the walk then returns across more orchards to the starting point in Gorsley.

Parking

If starting in Gorsley then you can park in the large car park at the rear of Gorsley Baptist Church (except on Sundays 10am – 1pm). An alternative at these times and also during school holidays is to park in the Pound Farm Lane which runs alongside Gorsley School.

If starting the walk in Linton or Aston Crews then it is possible to park at the Alma Inn or Penny Farthing Inn if you are going to eat/drink there, but please call ahead.

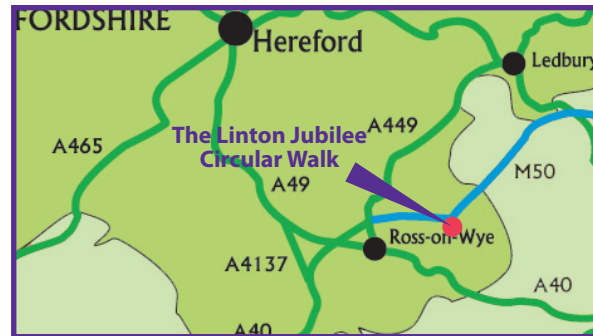
Refreshments

There are three public houses, a cafe and community shop on or close to the route. Please check opening times before you set out.

Walk Information

This leaflet has been designed to tell you all you need to know about the route **before** you set out.

Stiles	11 (+ 1 more on the optional loop)
Gates	3 (+ 2 more on the optional loop)
Steps	3 (+ 1 more on the optional loop)
Narrow Bridges	0
Slopes	4 steep sections between location points: ② and ③, ③ and ④, ④ and ⑤ and ⑥ and ⑦



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Always follow the Country Code. Enjoy your walk!

Walk them all...

There are 16 circular walks in the county ranging in distance from 2 to 10 miles and four are 'Miles without Stiles' routes.

For more information on the other routes or to download the leaflets visit: www.herefordshire.gov.uk/circularwalks

This walk has been developed by Linton Parish Council to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II, using existing footpaths in the Linton area. These paths will be maintained at their current category standards by Herefordshire Council.

Please report any issues online:

<https://myaccount.herefordshire.gov.uk/report-a-public-right-of-way-problem>



Choose how you move



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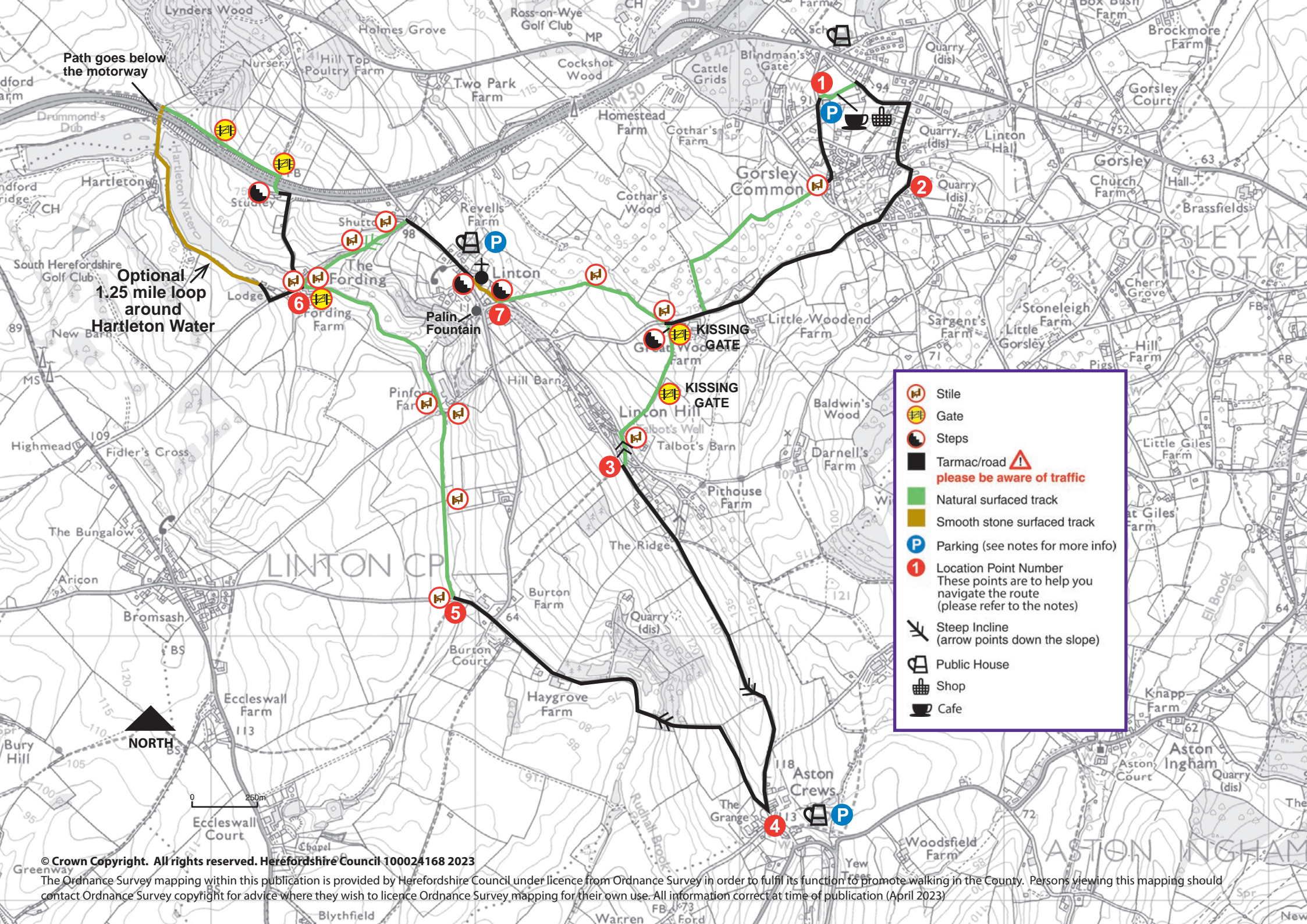
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The Linton Parish Platinum Jubilee Circular Walk

DISTANCE: 6.75 miles



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Path goes below the motorway

Optional 1.25 mile loop around Hartleton Water

-  Stile
-  Gate
-  Steps
-  Tarmac/road  please be aware of traffic
-  Natural surfaced track
-  Smooth stone surfaced track
-  Parking (see notes for more info)
-  Location Point Number
These points are to help you navigate the route (please refer to the notes)
-  Steep Incline
(arrow points down the slope)
-  Public House
-  Shop
-  Cafe