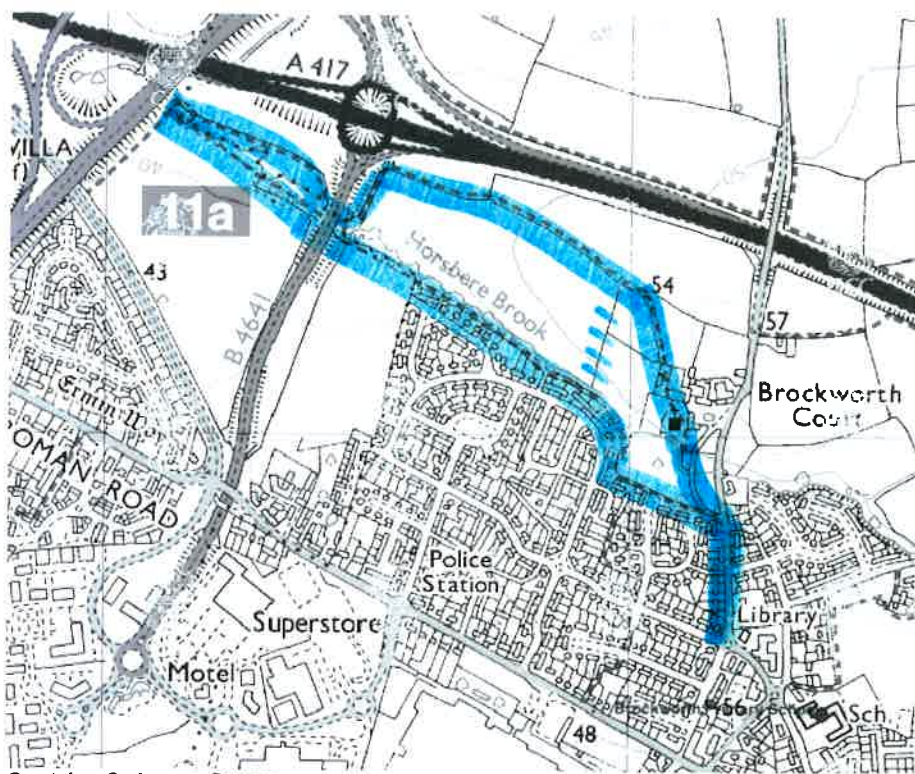


CIRCULAR WALKS IN BROCKWORTH PARISH - WALK #1



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Please observe the Country Code:

- Fasten all gates
- Keep dogs under proper control
- Take your litter home with you
- Guard against starting fires
- Keep to public footpaths
- Protect wildlife, plants and trees
- Avoid damaging fences, hedges or wall.

This circular walk is through an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty to the north of Brockworth village. The total distance is approximately 2.5 miles but there is a short-cut option of 1 mile. This is a fairly level, easy walk that takes approximately 1 hour to complete. This walk is not pushchair/buggy friendly due to the stiles and muddy sections of the walk.

Start at Brockworth Community Centre, where there are toilets and refreshment facilities available Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm.

The Route:

From the community centre on Court Road, walk down Court Road away from the shops and with the community library on your right, towards Churchdown. After the houses you will see the allotments and St George's Church on your left. Take the path to the church and walk around to the right of the church leading to a gate. Go through the gate and follow the path through Brockworth Court workshop area to a stile in the fence. Follow the path to the corner of the field and continue along here with the hedge on your left. Just before the gun turret there is a fork in the footpath.

[To take the shortcut: go left at the fork and follow the footpath to a stile leading into the burial ground. Go over the stile and follow the hedge round the right hand side of burial ground to a gate. Go through the gate and follow the path down over a small bridge over Horsbere Brook and onto the path. Turn left following the path past the allotments on your left until you come to a road (this is Court Road). Turn right and walk back to the community centre.]

Continue with the hedge on your left and walk past the gun turret, the way is well trodden. Follow the winding path around until you get to the Horsbere Brook. Ignore the bridge over the stream on your left (unless you want to shorten your walk); follow the path around to the right through the small wooden area to a large bridge over the brook. Cross the bridge and follow the footpath along the brook on your left, through the field and then the wooded area; keep on going for some way until you pass the allotments. Turn right at the road (this is Court Road), and return back to the community centre.