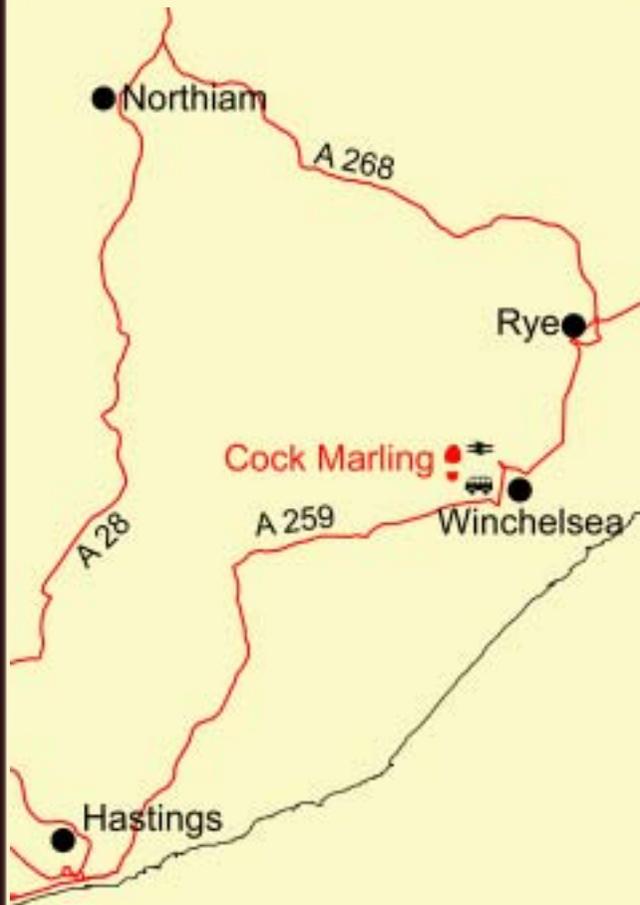


Location Map



Location Symbols

- Bus stop/Request stop
- Railway Station
- Walk Location

Essential Information

Distance:
4 miles/6.5 kms

Walk grade:

3 Typical country walk with some hills, stiles and muddy paths (depending on weather)

Maps:
OS Explorer 125
OS Landranger 189

Start/Finish:
Winchelsea Railway Station
TQ 900184

Public Transport:
Buses: Bus services operate between Hailsham and Dover, and between Hastings and Northiam, both stopping at Winchelsea.
Trains: A regular service operates via Winchelsea Railway Station

Parking:
Parking is available at Winchelsea Railway Station



Cock Marling Walk



Paths to Prosperity

East Sussex is a welcome haven for walkers in the busy south-east of England, with over two thirds of the County covered by the High Weald and Sussex Downs Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

There is also a wealth of picturesque villages, country houses and parkland hidden within its rolling landscape, waiting to be discovered.

Please come and enjoy the unique splendours of our countryside, but please also support the local businesses that help make the countryside the vibrant place that it is today.

The Country Code

Enjoy the countryside and respect its life and work.

Guard against all risk of fire.

Leave gates as you find them.

Keep your dog under close control in the presence of animals.

Keep to public rights of way.

Use gates and stiles to cross fences, hedges and walls.

Leave livestock, crops and machinery alone.

Take your litter home.

Help to keep all water clean.

Protect wildlife, plants and trees.

Take special care on country roads.

Make no unnecessary noise.

Tourist Information Centre

The Heritage Centre, Strand Quay, Rye

Tel: 01797 226696

Fax: 01797 223460

email: ryetic@rother.gov.uk

The information contained in this leaflet was correct at the time of printing (November 2004)

Refreshments and Local Services

(see map for location)

- 1 The Plough**
Public House & Restaurant - 01797 223381
- 2 Westview**
Bed & Breakfast Accommodation - 01797 226351
- 3 Cordwainers**
Self Catering Accommodation - 07941 373769
- 4 J Wickens**
Local Family Butcher - 01797 226287
- 5 Winchelsea Post Office**
01797 229786
- 6 The Little Shop**
General Stores and Local Products - 01797 226384
- 7 Winchelsea Community Office**
Local Information - 01797 225333
- 8 The Limes & Three Wishes**
Self Catering Accommodation - 01797 226102
- 9 The Tea Tree**
15th century Tea Rooms & Gift Shop - 01797 226102
- 10 The New Inn**
18th Century Inn offering Food & Accommodation - 01797 226252

Please note that inclusion of business details in this leaflet does not constitute an endorsement of the business by East Sussex County Council or its agents.

We hope that you enjoy the walk in this leaflet, which is one of a series produced by East Sussex County Council.

Copies of the leaflets for other walks in the series are available from Tourist Information Centres and libraries or direct from East Sussex County Council, by contacting the Rights of Way Team:-

By phone on:-
01273 482250 / 482354 / 482324

By post at:-
Transport and Environment Department
County Hall
St. Anne's Crescent
Lewes BN7 1UE

By e-mail at:-
rightsofway@eastsussexcc.gov.uk

By downloading from the website at:-
www.eastsussexcc.gov.uk

If any problems are encountered on the walk please report them to the above contact points.

This route is based on one published by Countryside Books in the book Village Walks in East Sussex. If you enjoyed the walk and would like to explore further similar ones, the guide book can be purchased through local booksellers:- ISBN 1-85306-505-6

Printed on elemental chlorine-free paper using wood pulp obtained from sustainable forests.

Cock Marling Walk

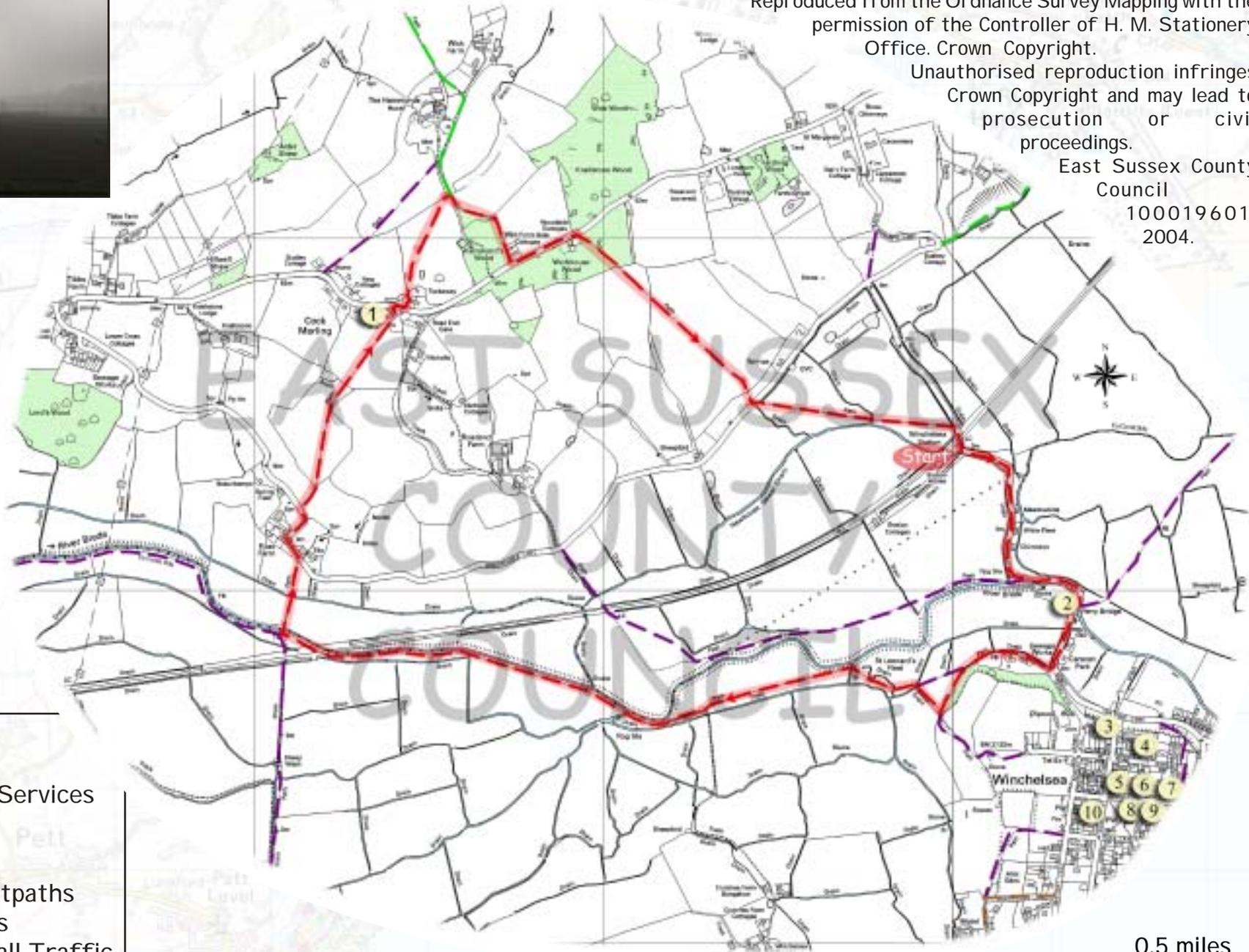


A misty sky over Brede Level

Reproduced from the Ordnance Survey Mapping with the permission of the Controller of H. M. Stationery Office. Crown Copyright.

Unauthorised reproduction infringes Crown Copyright and may lead to prosecution or civil proceedings.

East Sussex County Council
100019601,
2004.



Map Legend

-  Refreshments & Local Services (see over for details)
-  Route
-  Other Public Footpaths
-  Other Bridledways
-  Byways Open to all Traffic

0 0.5 miles 1 km

Starting from Winchelsea Station, turn right and follow the road for approximately 900 metres (990 yds.) to the junction with the A259. At the main road, turn immediately right using the roadside verge, and then right again onto the signed footpath. Follow the surfaced track passing the Southern Water entrance, and continue to follow the fenceline to reach a stile and then footbridge.

After crossing the bridge, turn left and follow the field edge path. Ignore the first footpath turning on the right, continuing along the field edge as the path starts to climb the hill towards Winchelsea, at which point there are good views across Brede Level. At the second footpath junction turn right and follow the path to a hand gate beside a bridge. Alternatively, it is possible to continue to follow the footpath straight ahead from the footpath junction, for a short distance into the historic centre of Winchelsea. A range of refreshments and local services can be enjoyed before returning to the main walk.

To continue the walk, cross the bridge and follow the signed footpath to reach another handgate beside a field gate. The path now crosses a field, in a straight line, heading towards the south west field corner. Cross the stile in the field corner and join the track running beside the River Brede to reach the Pumping Station.

Cross the stile beside the field gate, and continue to follow the riverside footpath to reach the railway crossing. After the railway, follow the riverside path for a short distance to a footbridge. Turn right crossing the bridge and follow the path to the road.

Turning left onto the road, follow for approximately 170 metres (185 yds.) passing Float Farm Oast, before turning right onto the next signposted footpath. Follow the sunken path along the field edge and then across the middle of the next field. At the top of the hill, where the sunken path finishes, continue along the well marked footpath to reach the main road.

Cross the road and follow the waymarked path, passing the first cottage, then bearing left to reach a stile. After the stile, follow the path across the field in the direction waymarked to reach a surfaced driveway. Cross the driveway and then turn immediately right onto a parallel track and follow the signposted bridleway back to the main road.

Turn left onto Udimore Road, and using the roadside verge, follow for approximately 205 metres (225 yds.) before turning right immediately after the cottages to follow the footpath through workhouse wood.

Cross the stile at the edge of the wood into a field, and follow the waymarked path across the field corner to another stile. Continue to follow the line of the waymarked path heading down hill to reach two more stiles and then the lane. Cross the lane and continue to follow the cross-field path in the direction waymarked, heading back towards Winchelsea station. On reaching the road, turn right to return to the station, and the end of the walk.



View along the River Brede



View towards Float Farm Oast