

Eggington - Hockliffe Walk

approx 5½ miles - allow 3½ - 4 hours

- 1 Start close to the Indian restaurant in Eggington. On street parking is available, but please park considerately.
- 2 Walk east along High Street and take footpath on left opposite the church. Go through gate straight on and follow footpath to bottom of field. Turn left at marker post, then immediately right through hedgerow. Continue right. Follow path through field and through gate on to Leighton Road. **!**
- 3 Cross road, turn left. After a few metres turn right through gate on to footpath (look out for the yellow marker, next to large metal gate). Follow path to yellow marker. Continue straight on path, through two further gates, ignoring any adjoining paths, until bottom of field. Turn left and with brook on right, head towards gate in corner of the field.
- 4 Go through the gate and turn right on road. Continue along road, past Manor Farm and The Cottage, for approximately ¾ mile. **!** At crossroads, turn right down Miletree Road, past bridle path, until you reach the narrow gauge railway station Stonehenge Works (facilities available subject to train timetable).
- 5 Opposite station, turn right on to bridle path. Continue towards yellow marker posts. At end of field follow bridle path on left. Continue on bridle path, turn right on to brook bridge and footpath, follow across field and past Ground Farm until you join a narrow road.
- 6 Continue along road. When road swings right, turn left into field and take right hand path up through field towards right hand tree line. Cross over two stiles and continue straight on through fields over another stile towards Church, until you reach road. Turn left and proceed along road to Hockliffe Church End, with its church and several historic and attractive houses.
- 7 At junction, turn right, take first public footpath on left and through gate. Follow path (Jane's Wood on right) over gated bridge towards yellow marker post half way down opposite hedgerow. Cross brook bridge to bottom right hand corner of field. Go through gate and on to track to A5 Watling Street. (good views of Church End as you look back). Turn right and walk down A5 through Hockliffe to Hockliffe House. Look out for interesting historic buildings hidden amongst more recent development.



Eggington House

- 8 From Hockliffe House, retrace steps back along A5 to footpath on left almost opposite Birch's Close. Cross bridge and follow path through fields until you reach a track. Continue along track, past bungalows on left, to Hill Farm.



Village School, Eggington

- 9 Here path splits so take right hand path. Use stile or gate, continue diagonally through field over stile about third of way along hedgerow. Continue straight through fields for some distance, keeping hedgerow on right. Continue on footpath, over several stiles, (note views of Eggington House) until you reach Mill Road. Turn right and walk along road to junction. **!**

- 10 Turn left at junction opposite Eggington House and return along the High Street. Continue along to Old Timbers and then retrace your steps to where you are parked.

This walk can also be a combined with a trip on the Leighton Buzzard Narrow Gauge Railway, from Pages Park in Leighton Buzzard. Take the train to Stonehenge Works and commence the walk from there.

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