

Glentham Walks

No 5

Village Circular Walk (approx. 4 miles)

Route

From Glentham Village Hall, walk north-west along Bishop Norton Rd to the left-hand bend near Bracken's Wood. Continue forwards on the marked footpath towards Mellow's Beck crossing via the bridge. Continue north-west to Crossholme Farm. Turn left onto Well St, then again left onto Glentham Road. Continue straight onto Bishop Norton Rd and return to Glentham via the road, passing New Close Plantation on your left.

Points of Interest

Glentham Village Hall was originally an RAF hut, erected in the 1960s and refurbished in 2010.

The name 'Barff' is derived from the old English word 'Beorh' meaning 'hill', although there is not much evidence of one in this location!

Bishop Norton is a village of about 250 inhabitants. St Peter's church has a Norman tympanum (triangular or semicircular decoration over a door lintel) set into the tower. To the west of Bishop Norton, near the A15, there are extensive archaeological sites, mostly undisturbed, dating from the Stone Age, through the Roman and mediaeval eras.

Between New Close Plantation and the footpath there is a Neolithic burial barrow. This cannot be seen from the ground as extensive ploughing has eradicated much of the earthworks, but aerial photographs still reveal its location.

