

# LOCAL CIRCUIT NY3: HUNTON

**F** Open fields (see 'Introductory Notes')

**88** Direction label (as in the walk notes)

**ROADS:**

==== Significant roads

==== Others - on route

==== Others - adjoining

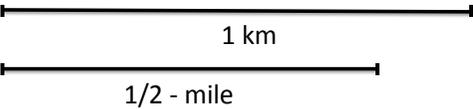
**PATHS:**

— On route

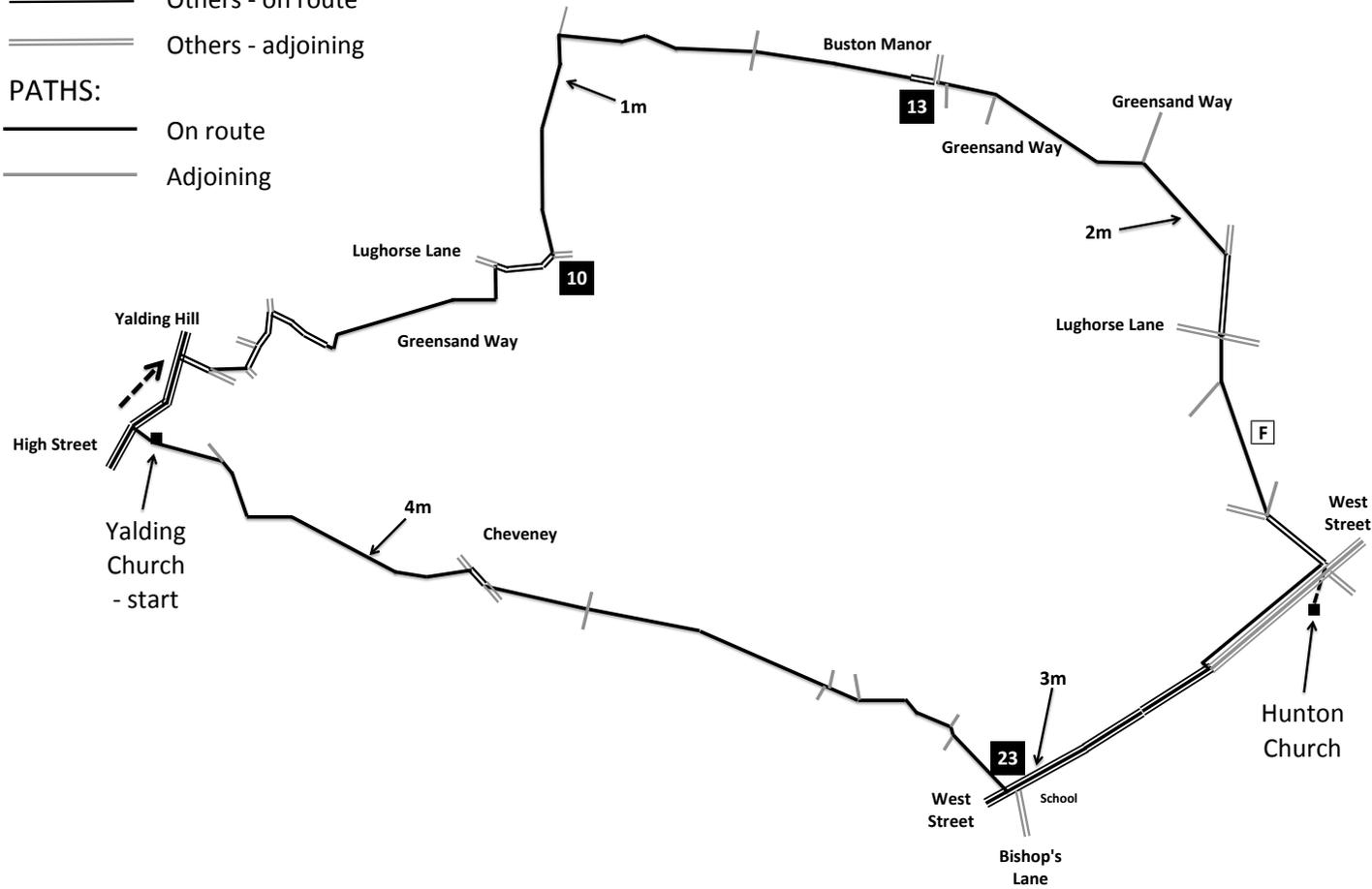
— Adjoining



Scale (approx.):



---> Starting direction



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### Linked churches:

Yalding (start and finish)

Hunton (Direction 21)

### Roads and hindrances:

Nothing out of the ordinary.

Notes taken: December 2015

The start and finish is at Yalding Church (ME18 6DR).

	Mins.*		OS	Miles
1		Leave <b>Yalding Church</b> along the footpath towards the main road.	698 501	
2		Reach the main road and turn right alongside it.		
3	<b>2</b>	Turn right along Vicarage Road.		
4		After a few yards follow the path (Windmill Path leading to the almshouses) which starts by angling leftwards up away from Vicarage Road.		
5	<b>4</b>	At the top merge leftwards alongside a quiet road, and cross it when convenient.		
6	<b>5</b>	Just before the end of this road turn right, up Mount Avenue.		
7	<b>7</b>	As the road reaches a dead-end, go straight ahead through a MKG and into trees. Follow the track as it turns left then right.		
8	<b>12</b>	Turn left with the path.		
9	<b>13</b>	Pass a redundant MKG and then turn right along the road.		
10	<b>15</b>	[Map point] As the road is halfway through a double bend, turn left up a signposted byway.		
11	<b>22</b>	Turn right, still on the Greensand Way as signposted, and go at first down the left-hand edge of a grassy field, then up and ahead between fields.		1.05
12	<b>28</b>	Carry straight on at crosspaths on to an open green area, to start the progress through the buildings of Buston Manor, seen up on the left.		
13	<b>33</b>	[Map point] After the last of the buildings ignore the main roadway as it turns up to the left, and instead continue along the Greensand Way straight ahead, between fields to start with, and then, still straight on, along the right-hand edge of the field.		
14	<b>37</b>	Make the obvious move to slip through a gap in the field border, and maintain the same direction, now along the left-hand edge of a field and slightly above it.		
15	<b>40</b>	Abandon the Greensand Way as it turns away to the left, and instead carry on towards a MKG, visible slightly down to right.		
16		Go through the MKG and continue ahead down a narrow path.		

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	Mins.*		OS	Miles
17	<b>43</b>	Go through a metal gate and turn right along the road at the Old Rectory.		
18	<b>45</b>	Go across Lughorse Lane and ahead along the narrow path opposite.		
19	<b>47</b>	<b>[!!F!!]</b> Emerge on to a field and go across it, slightly to the left, aiming a little to the right of a cluster of buildings (including the conical-topped Hunton Church) in the middle distance.	722 502	
20	<b>50</b>	Go slightly further to the left to join a metalled roadway and pass to the side of a gate and past playing fields on the left.		
21	<b>52</b>	At the corner <b>Hunton Church</b> is on the far side of the main road. But to continue on the route turn right over a little footbridge before the road, and carry on along the permissive path (parallel to ditch and road to your left).		2.51
22	<b>58</b>	Cross another footbridge to go alongside the road itself, in the same direction. Stay on the right-hand side.		
23	<b>62</b>	<b>[Map point]</b> Just after the pavement comes to an end, and after the school and Bishop's Lane opposite, turn right along Grove Lane.		
24	<b>64</b>	A little after the gates to Grove Lodge on the left, swing left with the road.		
25	<b>66</b>	Go through a wooden kissing gate beside a locked gate, and continue ahead.		
26	<b>67</b>	Start along the right-hand edge of a field.		
27	<b>68</b>	At a staggered junction of paths go straight ahead under power lines.	713 495	
28	<b>74</b>	Go over a stile, cross the minor road beyond, and, after another stile, continue opposite across the middle of a rough field.		
29	<b>77</b>	Cross a stile and and turn right along the road.		3.83
30	<b>78</b>	Turn left along an enclosed track.		
31	<b>82</b>	Go through a kissing gate and along the right-hand edge of a playing field.		
32	<b>84</b>	Continue directly ahead over the car park.		
33		Start along a narrow track among trees.		
34	<b>87</b>	Go through a gate and after few yards turn half-left into the churchyard, along a metalled path.		
35	<b>89</b>	Reach <b>Yalding Church</b> , the start of the walk.	698 501	4.37

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**!!F!!** : Field crossing might be unmarked. See 'Open Fields' in 'Introductory Notes' for some thoughts about dealing with this.

## FOR THOSE WHO WALK WITH THEIR DOGS

See footnote on next page.

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I do not venture to give advice about walking with your dog. As well as the joys, you will be well aware of the issues involved, and particularly that relationships between dogs and other countryside animals potentially involve mutual suspicion, or worse.

**But what this footnote does try to do, in response to requests, is to give some indication of the nature of the walk from a dog's point of view, to enable you to decide whether it is suitable.**

The percentage distances on the right should be self-explanatory.

The information in the middle column may look a bit cluttered, but I think it should enable you (if the detail is of interest) to mark up within a few minutes a print-out of the walk notes, so that you have some idea what might be round the next corner.

The risk in all this is that **things change so quickly** in the agricultural working world; and what I describe might become misleading after subsequent changes. I have done my best, but there is no guarantee that you will find the information up to date!

<b>LOCAL CIRCUIT NY3</b>	<b>Direction numbers</b>	<b>% of walk</b>
Busy road	2, 22, 29	8
Quiet road \$\$	3, 5-6, 9, 17, 20, 23-24	15
Open field with livestock		0
Edge of field with livestock		0
Field (or edge) without livestock **	11-12a, 13-15, 19, 21, 26-28, 31	39
Path (hedged, or otherwise forced)	1, 4, 7b-8, 10b, 12b, 16, 18, 25, 30, 32, 33b-34	33
Woods	7a, 10a, 33a	6

\*\* This is not a promise, just a statement of fact - that, having walked these sections perhaps two or three times, I have found no animals or any sign of them.

\$\$ Again, not a promise that there will be no traffic to worry about. Just a personal judgement of conditions as I have found them.

**STILES (3)** - Details noted in December 2015, but **subject to frequent change:**

All three stiles (in Directions 28 and 29) have easy gaps.