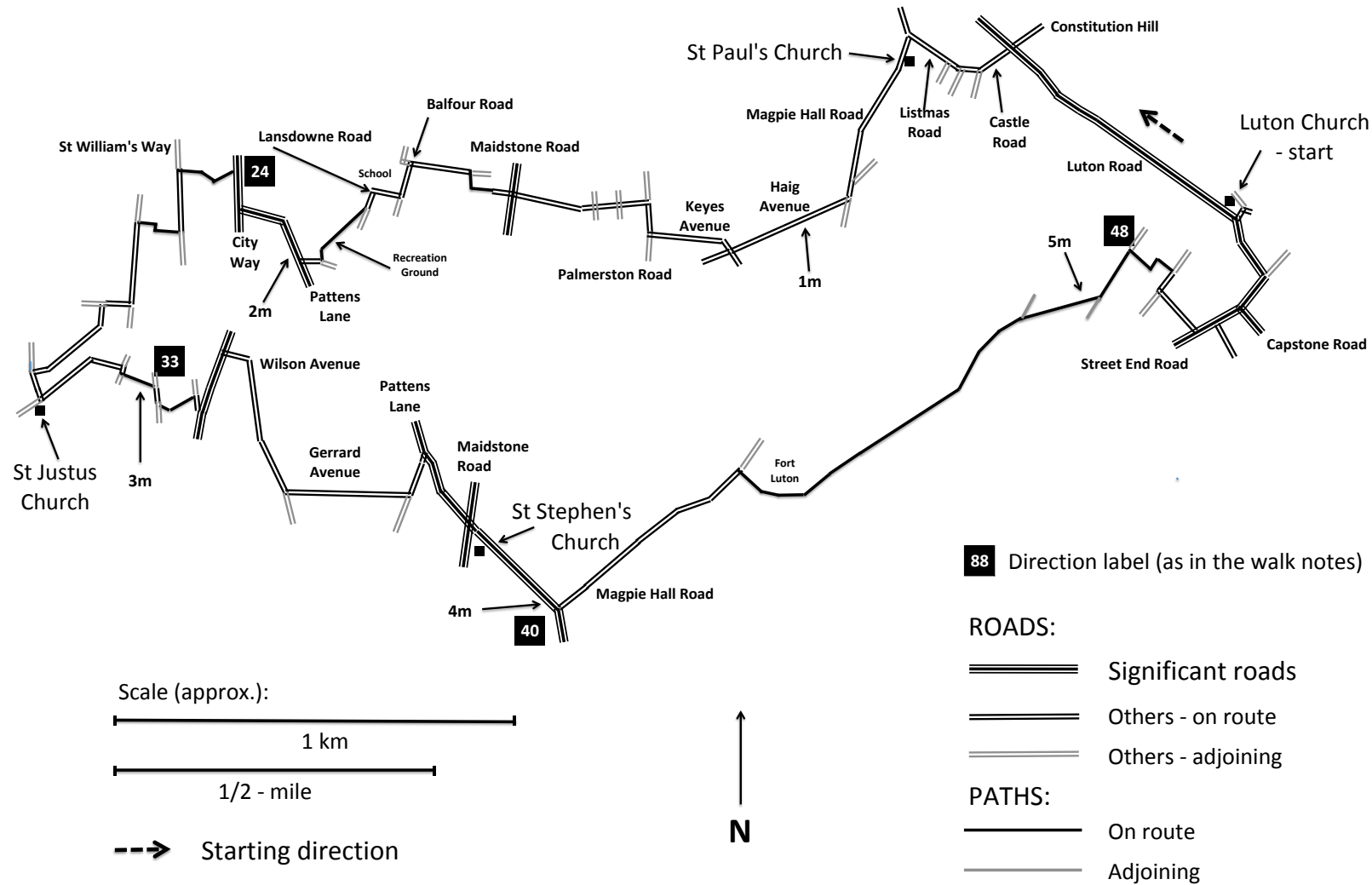


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### Linked churches:

Luton (start and finish)

Chatham St Paul (Direction 4)

Rochester St Justus (31)

Chatham St Stephen (39)

### Roads and hindrances:

It is worth crossing the road after St Stephen's Church (Direction 39) quite early, to avoid the complexity of the junction further ahead.

Notes taken: October to December 2019

The start and finish is at Luton Church, ME4 5BT.

	Mins.*		OS	Miles
1		From the lych-gate of <b>Luton Church</b> turn sharp-right to walk alongside the main road.	774 667	
2	<b>9</b>	Turn left along Castle Road, crossing it as soon as convenient.		
3	<b>11</b>	Turn right along Listmas Road.		
4	<b>13</b>	At the end turn sharp left, soon passing the entrance to <b>St Paul's Church</b> on the left. Continue steeply uphill.		
5	<b>20</b>	Near the top, turn right up Haig Avenue.		0.93
6	<b>26</b>	Turn right to keep to the right of the green.		
7	<b>27</b>	Cross White Road, and continue ahead along Keyes Avenue.	760 666	
8	<b>29</b>	At the end go almost straight across the road (slightly to the left) to go along a footpath between walls.		
9	<b>31</b>	Turn right, with the path.		
10	<b>32</b>	After steep steps down, turn left along the road.		
11	<b>34</b>	Cross Maidstone Road (if necessary using the light-controlled crossing over to the right) and continue ahead along Kingswood Avenue.		1.52
12	<b>35</b>	At the bottom, cross the crossing road and continue straight ahead along a narrow walkway.		
13	<b>36</b>	Follow the walkway as it turns right.		
14		At the end turn left along the road.		
15	<b>37</b>	At the crossroads continue ahead up Neville Road.		
16	<b>39</b>	Just before the end at the top, turn left alongside the school.		
17	<b>40</b>	At the junction, by the General at Sea, turn right along Lansdowne Road.		
18	<b>41</b>	Turn left along Rosebery Road.		
19	<b>42</b>	Cross into the field and head across towards the corner diagonally opposite.	752 667	
20	<b>44</b>	At that corner, leave the field along a narrow pathway.		
21	<b>45</b>	Turn right along the road.		

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	Mins.*		OS	Miles
22		Then right again along Pattens Lane.		
23	<b>48</b>	Cross City Way, and turn right to walk along its left-hand side.		
24	<b>49</b>	[Map point] After house no.252, turn left down an alleyway and follow it as it turns from side to side between its walls.		2.20
25	<b>51</b>	Emerge to go down steps and turn left up St William's Way.		
26	<b>54</b>	Turn right, away from the road, down another winding walkway.		
27	<b>55</b>	At the end, turn left along the road.		
28	<b>58</b>	After the school, turn right into Crest Road.		
29	<b>59</b>	Turn left into Leeward Road, and follow it round to the right.		
30	<b>62</b>	At the end turn left up Windward Road.		
31	<b>63</b>	At the junction with the major road (The Fairway), <b>St Justus Church</b> is visible over the road and slightly to the right. To continue the route turn left along The Fairway.	744 662	2.83
32	<b>66</b>	Turn right at the bottom, and then, between houses 51 and 53, left up a steeply rising passageway, with an open area soon opening out on the right.		
33	<b>68</b>	[Map point] Go up steps to a road and turn right. Then after about 20 yds. turn left up more steps.		
34	<b>70</b>	At the top of the steps go ahead to cross both the roads which are merging at this point, and turn left to go along the right-hand side of City Way.		
35	<b>72</b>	Turn right into Wilson Avenue, and soon follow it as it turns further to the right.		
36	<b>76</b>	Turn left along Gerrard Avenue.		
37	<b>80</b>	At the end turn left, rejoining Wilson Avenue.		
38	<b>81</b>	At the end turn sharp right along Pattens Lane, keeping on its right-hand side.		3.73
39	<b>84</b>	Cross the main road at the junction and continue ahead, passing <b>St Stephen's Church</b> on the right, and cross when convenient to go now along the left-hand side.		
40	<b>88</b>	[Map point] At the end, when the main road swings to the right, instead go straight across Magpie Hall Road, and, without going through the gate towards Snodhurst Bottom, turn left along the wide grass area, keeping the fence on your right.		
41	<b>90</b>	Continue ahead, ignoring another steep path down to the right.		
42	<b>95</b>	About 150 yds. after a bus stop, and before the road visibly swings to the left, instead leave it through a squeeze gate on the right. Then after about 30 yds. take the left fork.		4.35
43	<b>96</b>	Merge left into a joining path.		
44	<b>97</b>	At a junction of paths take the further left option to remain contouring for now (rather than going down to the right).		
45	<b>99</b>	Continue ahead, over a crossing roadway.		
46	<b>107</b>	At a junction of grassy paths, take the one which goes slightly right, downhill now.		
47	<b>110</b>	Merge leftwards into a joining path.		
48	<b>112</b>	[Map point] Reaching barriers, with a road beyond, do not go through them, but instead turn right along the metalled footpath.		5.12

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	Mins.*		OS	Miles
49	<b>113</b>	After brief left-right turns, reach a road at the barriers and turn right.	771 665	
50		After about 50 yds., turn left, up the road.		
51	<b>114</b>	Continue ahead, passing the end of Durrell Gardens.		
52	<b>115</b>	At the T-junction at the top turn left, staying on the left-hand pavement.		
53	<b>117</b>	Continue down, past the mini-roundabout and the garage.		
54	<b>118</b>	Follow the main road as it turns left at the bottom, then cross it when convenient, and at the latest before it bends to the right at the end.		
55	<b>120</b>	Cross Upper Luton Road to reach, a few steps up to the right, the lych-gate and entrance pathway to <b><u>Luton Church</u></b> , the starting point of the walk.	774 667	5.58

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## **FOR THOSE WHO WALK WITH THEIR DOGS**

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 (on the next page) 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 CS1</b>	<b>Direction numbers</b>	<b>% of walk</b>
Busy road	1b-2, 4, 22-23, 25, 31-32a, 34, 38-41, 50-54	42
Quiet road \$\$	1a, 3, 5-7, 10-11, 14-18, 21, 27-30, 33a, 35-49, 55	32
Open field with livestock		0
Edge of field with livestock		0
Field (or edge) without livestock **	19, 32c, 45b, 46b-47	6
Path (hedged, or otherwise forced)	8-9, 12-13, 20, 24, 26, 32b, 32d, 33b, 48	10
Woods	42-45a, 46a	10

\*\* 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:** There are currently no stiles on this walk.