

Walk 5 – Fox Inn to West Chelborough – Description

Start and finish: The walk starts at the Fox Inn in Corscombe (A), where parking can be found. Please let the Inn know if using their car park during opening times and have some refreshments at the Inn on the return from the walk.

Fox Inn to West Chelborough:

Keeping the Fox Inn (A) on your right, walk about 100m towards Halstock. Turn right along the "no through road" (B) to "Norwood Cottage" (C) and along the pathway to the right of this cottage. Pass through the wood and across a field to the gateway into the copse ahead. Walk slightly to the right, through a small stream, to a wicket gate on the far side. Continue over the centre of the next field and through another copse. Proceed over a field passing a water trough and looking down on small lake to the left, then through the field leading to the outbuildings of Dairy House Farm (D). Go through the farmyard to the metalled road. Follow the road for about 200m to West Chelborough and St. Andrew's Church (E), which is well worth a visit.



West Chelborough to Fox Inn: On leaving the church, follow the road through the village to the point (F) where it turns sharply to the left. Keep straight on through a gate onto a concrete track which leads to a steep climb uphill, past woodland to the right. On the left is a hollow which may once have been a chalk pit. At the top (G), turn right onto the Hardy Way. This is a well-used track with far-reaching views to the right and easy to follow for 1km to the junction at point (H). The Hardy Way continues to the left but ahead is a gate into a field where the footpath goes diagonally to the right to a stile in the corner of a small copse (I). From here the path is well-used and waymarked, so easy to follow. It passes through two wildflower meadows, well worth a visit during spring and summer. Walk through the final field with the hill on the left, aiming for the thatched roof and a gateway which brings you back to the Fox Inn (A).

Walk 5 – Fox Inn to West Chelborough – Map

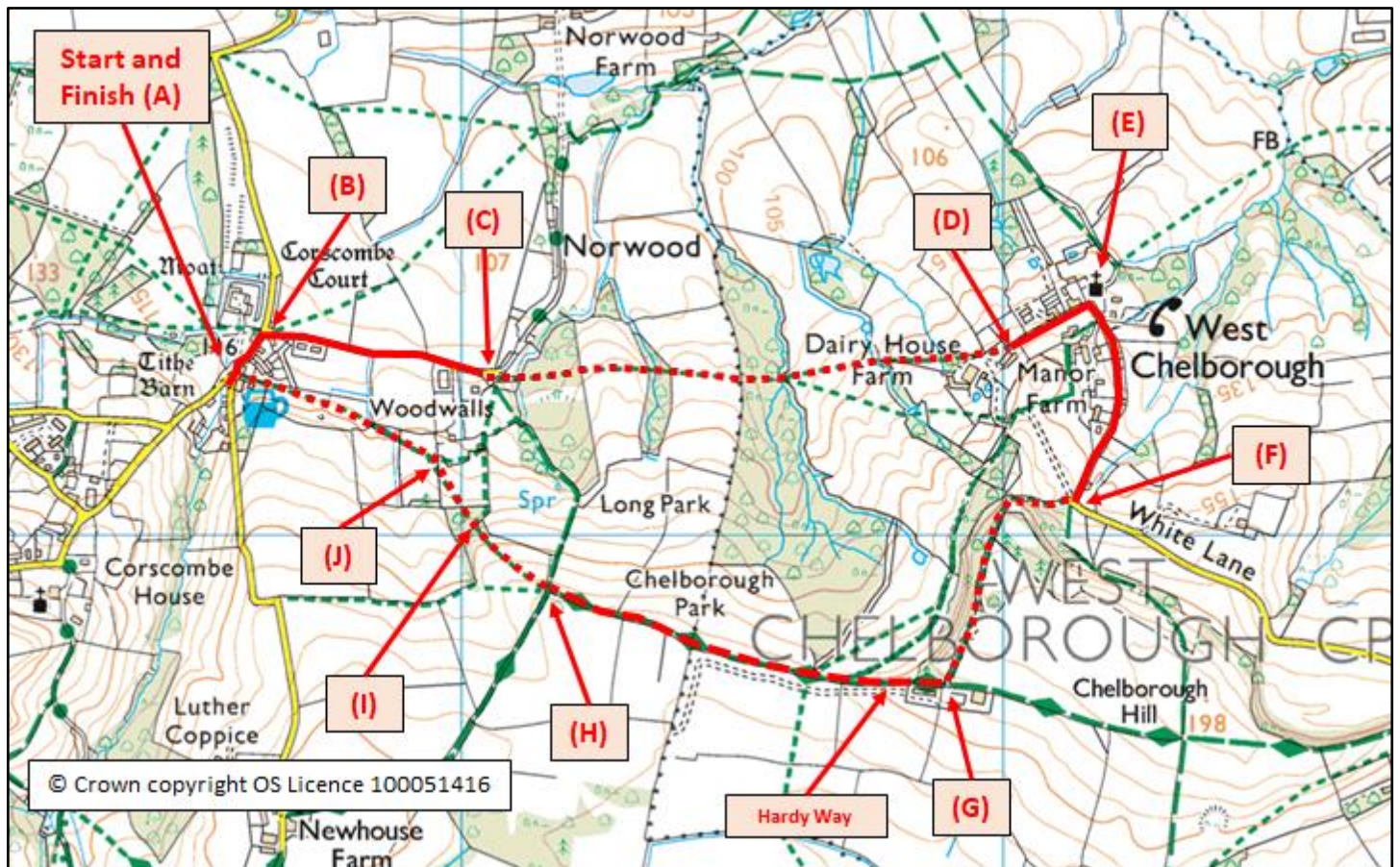
Distance – 4km. **Total Ascent** – 100m. **Duration** – 1.25 hrs. **Difficulty** – Very Easy

Clothing – Some sections seasonally muddy and overgrown.

History – St. Andrews Church, West Chelborough.

Connecting Routes – Hardy Way.

Refreshments - <https://thefoxinnorscombe.co.uk/>



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