

Barkham Way

Barkham Way is a walk of 1¼ miles, or 2km, between the car park at Rook's Nest Wood Country Park and a point on Barkham Road due north of it. The walk passes Saint James Church and typically takes half an hour to walk in each direction.

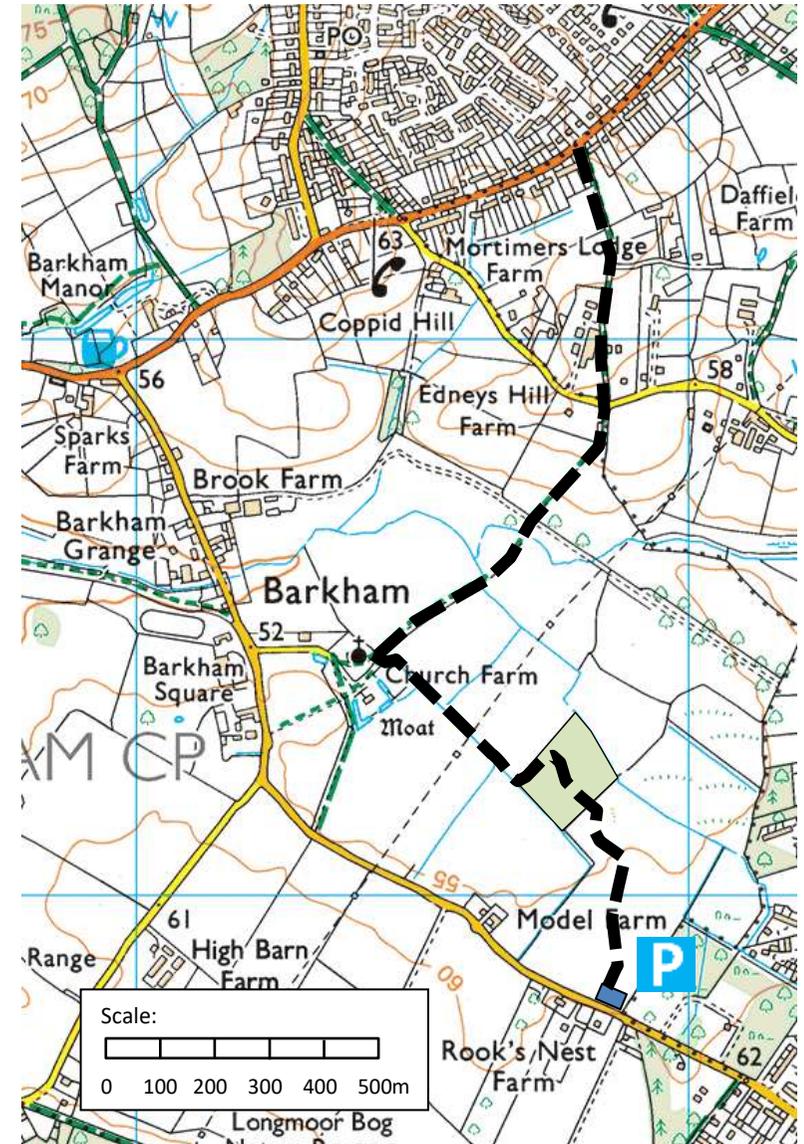
Directions

From Barkham Road, OS grid ref SU788673

Take the track south alongside 356 Barkham Road. Where the track turns left after 250m, cross the stile to continue a further 250m south along a footpath to a road, Edney's Hill. Continue southwards on the footpath opposite, alongside buildings to a stile. Cross the open field diagonally, SW, and cross another stile. Beyond the farm track, enter the next field by kissing gates. Find the gate on the opposite side of this field to continue south-westerly along the edge of the next field, with the hedge on your left, towards the church. At the 2 kissing gates by the church yard, make a tight left turn to double back into the field next to the one just skirted and head south-easterly for 340m along the edge of 2 fields, with the hedge on your right and passing under electricity cables. Enter the wood and turn immediately left. The path leads on to a boardwalk and bends to the right to join another boardwalk. Turn right onto this second boardwalk to be led SE out of the wood. Follow the main path for 350m as it swings a little to the right, south, and on to the Rook's Nest Wood car park.

From Rook's Nest Wood, OS grid ref SU788658

Enter the field from the corner of the carpark furthest from the entrance. Follow the path northwards for 350m, taking the left hand fork at 2 junctions along the way. Continue into the wood and follow the boardwalk for 100m before taking a left turn onto another boardwalk to be led SW to the corner exit of the wood. Follow the path along the edge of 2 fields for 340m, under electricity cables, NW with hedge on the left. At the kissing gates by the church yard, turn right to skirt the next field with the hedge on your right for 230m, NE. Cross the field ahead to more kissing gates, and beyond them a stile to another field, which is crossed diagonally, still NE to a stile. The path then passes alongside buildings to a road, Edney's Hill. Cross the road and continue along the footpath opposite, northwards, transferring onto a track after 250m. After a further 250m, the track reaches Barkham Road.



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