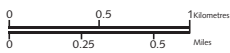
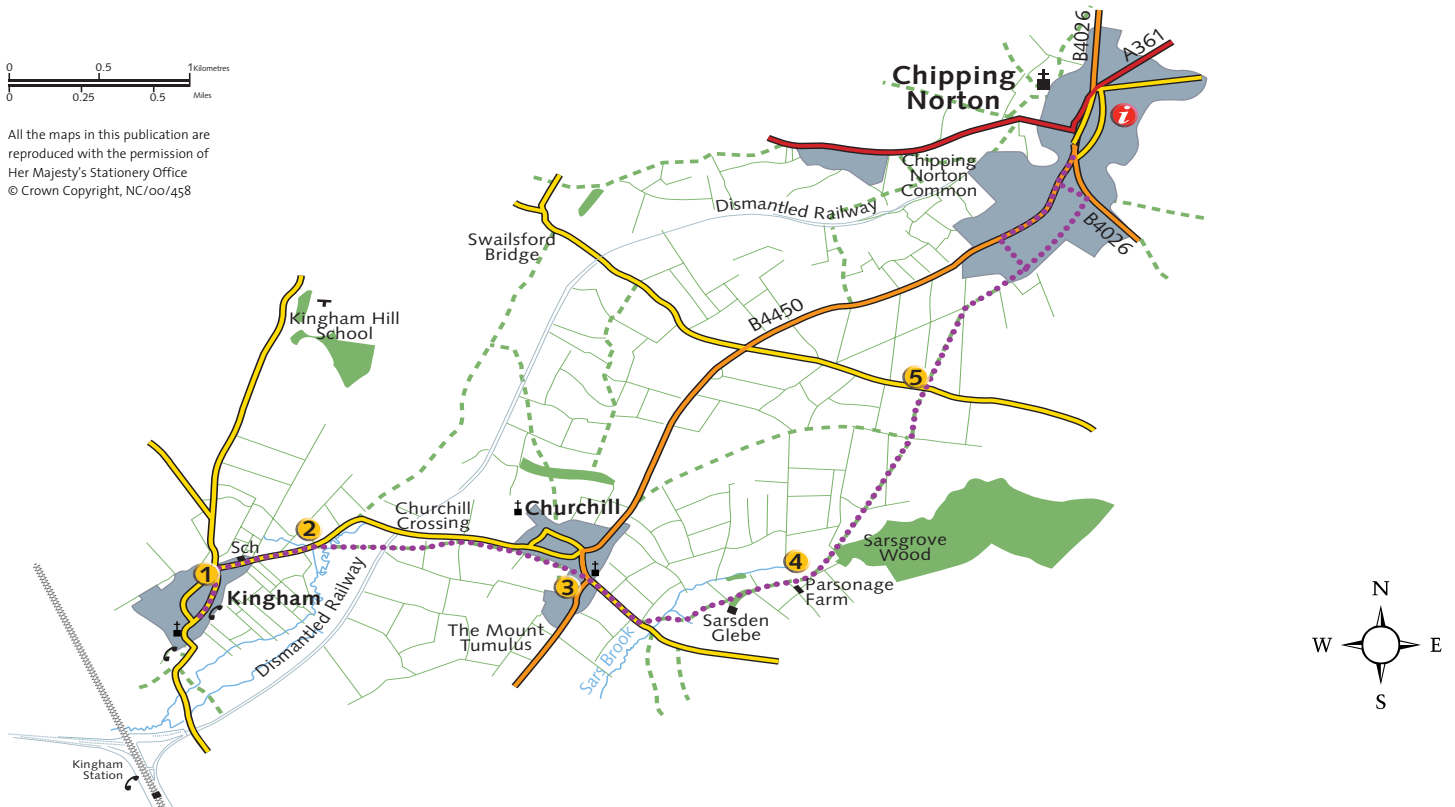


Walk Eight

Kingham and Churchill



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This is number eight in a series of walks from the Cotswolds Conservation Board designed to allow people to make their way to the start point using public transport.

The hill top village of Churchill features on this walk between Kingham and Chipping Norton.

Distance: 8km/5 miles

Time: allow 2 hrs

Buses: Take the X8 from Chipping Norton, West Street or Kingham Station and ask for Kingham Village

Trains: Rail Enquiries 08457 484950

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1 Walk back out of the village and turn right at the green, on the road to Churchill. Pass the school, noting Kingham Hill School

up to the left. After the village turn right onto a path, cross the footbridge and brook.

2 Cross the field, over the disused railway track. Once the old branch line from Kingham to Chipping Norton opened in 1855 by a consortium of local businessmen and closed 1962 by Beeching. Go over a stile, climbing and crossing several fields aiming for the end of a row of houses. Pass by the garden fences to the end then turn left over a stile to the village road, cross to a passage footpath that leads on to a second road. Turn right.

3 Walk through the village to All Saints Church on the left. Walk ahead down the road towards Chadlington. Before the bridge look up the bank on your left to reach a stile. Bear right across the field, over a culvert to another stile. Bear left

in front of Sarsden Glebe House fronted by a ha-ha. Continue climbing on the path with woods to the right, to Parsonage Farm.

4 After the farm bear left down the bank aiming for the far left field corner. Climb from the stream going through several gates to a stone wall. Bear left across the field to a tarmac drive. Follow for 150 metres to a stile in fence, and then bear right to the road.

5 Cross the road and field in line with the church at Chipping Norton. From the brow of this huge field descend to a gap in the hedge in the far right corner. Bear right and walk parallel with the power lines to the fence and track ahead. To return to the town centre go down to the bottom of Hailey Road and turn right along Churchill Road or follow Walterbush Road to the end and turn left.

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