

ACCESSIBLE RAMBLES IN SUSSEX Horsham, Crawley and East Grinstead areas

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EAST GRINSTEAD AND CRAWLEY AREA

WORTH WAY grade 1?

Researched: 28/12/09

Summary: A trail along an old railway track between Three Bridges and East Grinstead. Some on road sections at Grange Road, Rowfant and Three Bridges. One hill of perhaps 30 metres at 1 in 8 at Three Bridges.

Grid reference: TQ386382

Map Landranger 187 Explorer 134 and 135

Public Transport: Train stations at Three Bridges and East Grinstead at each end of the route.

Car parking: Small car park at the East Grinstead end of the trail, as well as larger car parks in town. Other car parking not yet researched

Accessible toilet: not yet researched

Refreshments: At various points

Grade: 1?

Length: 16 km each way.

More details:

<http://www2.westsussex.gov.uk/leisureandtourism/prow/pdfs/WorthWay.pdf> or ring 01243 777100 and ask for the Worth Way leaflet



Typical Surfacing on the Worth Way

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West Sussex also have a leaflet of circular walks from the Worth Way. Numbers 2-4 appear to be stile free. Details from 01243 77100 or see:

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FOREST WAY grade 1?

Researched: 28/12/09

Summary: A trail along an old railway track between Groombridge and East Grinstead. Largely flat and well surfaced but at Groombridge and Three Bridges (and possibly in one or two other places) old bridges are not in place and the route comes down to the road. Typically there is a climb of about 15 metres at 1 in 10. Groombridge end - no easy access to village. Route to Eridge Station also involves longer but gentler uphill climb, then really steep and narrow downhill on Forge Road.

Grid reference: TQ426351 (car park in Forest Row)

Map Landranger 187 and 188 Explorer 135

Public Transport: Hourly weekday & Saturday bus service from Hartfield, to Groombridge & Tunbridge Wells, and Forest Row & East Grinstead. East Grinstead Railway station is on the opposite side of town to the beginning of the trail and other villages tend to be up steep hills from the trail. At the Groombridge end there is no way of getting into the village without going up a steep hill. It may be better to take small roads to Eridge Station

Car parking: Difficult at both ends. The car park at Forest Row may be your best bet. Some parking at the Old Hartfield Station TQ479361 .

Accessible toilet: not yet researched

Refreshments: Most services at Forest Row, Hartfield. Short uphill on footway alongside B2026, then easy approach up High Street footway to 2 pubs, tea room and shop

Grade: 1?

Length: 14.5 km each way.

More details:

http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/NR/rdonlyres/98CE20E4-44BB-488A-AAB8-F2B716AEFF5A/0/forest_way.pdf or ring 01825 713862

Stedham Nature reserve west of Midhurst has an extensive trail system.
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Routes we have not researched yet. Would you like to research them?

Worth: Copthorne Common south to Old Rowfant



Worth Lodge farm crossroad (east of farm) on Worth Way) south to Worth Abbey through Worth Forest

HORSHAM AREA

The series of health walks run by Horsham District Council are particularly good. Details at http://www.horsham.gov.uk/leisure_and_tourism/leisure_11177.asp Or ring 01403 215269

HENFIELD RAMBLE grade 4

This route has been researched by Horsham district council. Details at <http://www.horsham.gov.uk/Files/Henfield.pdf>

Routes we have not researched yet. Would you like to research them?

Dragon's Green, Shipley, north to Crookhorn Farm and Dogbarking cottages
Shipley Church / windmill south to Blonks farm and Hookhandle Lane to Spears Hill Washington
St Leonards forest: Roosthole Pond N to Colgate across Forest Ent land
Horsham: Holbrook(just north of A264 Bypass) / Northlands road north to the Nunnery