

Walk Description

Title: Great Cransley -Loddington Map: OS Explorer 223

Distance: 4% Miles Grade 1A Ascent: 350ft

Start: Layby near Cransley Village Hall - Loddington Road - Cransley - NN14 1PY

- MapRef SP 82929 76996

- 1) Facing away from the **Village Hall** turn RIGHT and walk on the pavement to a waymarked footpath on the RIGHT Walk between some houses into a field Follow the fence on the right to a gap into a field on the RIGHT Head in a 10 o'clock direction to a gap in the hedge Go straight across the next field to an access road Cross over into the next field and head towards **Mill Farm** Bear to the right of the farm to a track. (¾ Mile)
- 2) Bear LEFT to a gap on the RIGHT Drop down to a bridge over a brook Continue straight on up the hill heading for the spire of **Loddington Church** ahead of you Cross over a farm track and drop down to another brook Cross over and climb the hill into **Loddington**. (1½ Miles)
- 3) At the road turn LEFT and walk to the **Playing Field** on the LEFT Keep to the right and walk to a gate on the RIGHT Turn LEFT on the road and walk on the road for ½ mile The road turns into a farm track Follow the track to the RIGHT and continue on for ½ mile to a gateway Look to the LEFT before the gateway and pass through a kissgate Follow the path with a hedge on the right to a kissgate Go through and with the ruin of **Mawsley Lodge** on the left walk into a field. (3 Miles)
- 4) Keep to the RIGHT and follow the edge of the field into some trees Follow the clear bridlepath on a disused railway track through the trees After ¾ mile the path bears RIGHT and climbs up to **Cransley Wood** On reaching the wood the path bears to the LEFT and follows the edge of the wood for a short distance The path then bears RIGHT into the woods Follow the path through the woods to road Turn LEFT and walk on the road into Little Cransley Pass the **Church** and **Cransley Hall** on your right and walk to a cross roads Turn LEFT and walk back to the start.

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