



Walk Description

Title: Harrold - Park Wood – Podington Airfield Map: OS Explorer 208

Distance: 5½ Miles

Ascent: 256ft

Start: Harrold Country Park – Car Park - MK43 7DS – MapRef SP 95661 56662

1. Leave the **Country Park** by the vehicle entrance and cross the road and take a footpath through the cemetery past the church to a road – Turn RIGHT into **Church Walk** and walk to the **High Street** – Cross over into **Dove Lane** and walk to a waymarked footpath on the LEFT – Walk on the path ignoring any turnings off – Cross over **Roman Paddock** and cross over an access road – Continue on and look for a footpath on the RIGHT – The path goes into a small field and heads in a 2 o'clock direction to a hedge – Walk through two fields keeping the hedge on your right – At the right hand corner of the 2nd field go through a gap on the RIGHT on to an access road – After 100 metres look for a footpath on the LEFT – Follow the path across the field in a 10 o'clock direction to another path – Turn RIGHT and walk to **Wood Road**. (¾ Mile)
2. Turn RIGHT and follow **Wood Road** – On passing the last house on the left the road becomes a track and gently rises for ¾ mile to a T junction of paths and **Park Wood** – Turn RIGHT and follow the path with the wood on your left - Continue downhill to a road – Turn LEFT and walk on the road for 125 metres to a waymarked footpath on the left – Follow the path into **Grange Farm** – Keep right through the farm and enter a container storage area – Look for a track leading away from the farm with a deep ditch on the right – On reaching a hedge bear RIGHT then LEFT on to a track – The track is soon enclosed with hedges each side – Walk for ½ mile until you reach a sports field on the left – Carry on past the sports field into **Podington Airfield**. (2¾ Miles)
3. At the airfield perimeter road turn RIGHT – Walk past an old airport building on the right then at a crossing byway turn RIGHT – Follow the byway (**White Way**) out of the airfield and through **Odell Woods** – The track emerges from the woods into an enclosed way with hedges each side – Look for a footpath on the LEFT at **MapRef SP 95316 58565** – On entering a field turn RIGHT and head in a 3 o'clock direction to a gap in the hedge on the right – Go through the gap into another field – Cross in the same direction to an access road for a farm. (4¼ Miles)
4. Cross over the access road into a field and turn right in a 2 o'clock direction towards the far left hand corner of the field – Walk to a road and turn LEFT after 50 metres look for a waymarked footpath on the RIGHT – Walk across the field to a stile and a T junction of paths – Turn LEFT and follow the path past a lake on the left – At the end of the lake look for a footpath on the LEFT – Follow the path with the lake on the left into **Harrold** – Walk through to **Odell Road** with the **Fire Station** on the left – Turn RIGHT and walk to a pedestrian entrance into **Harrold Country Park** on the LEFT – Walk a few metres to a path on the RIGHT and walk back to the **Visitor Centre** and the start.

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