

## Walks and Wanders

With Don Egan

Pauper's Graves walk – Stowmarket - Onehouse

Distance: 3.8 miles

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### ROUTE

Starting at the Recreation Ground, head towards the junction of Recreation Rd/Finborough Rd/ Onehouse Rd. Walk up Onehouse Rd until you get to the T-junction at Chilton

Way/Union Rd

Cross Chilton Way but don't turn yet. Continue just a little bit more until you see a little red post box on a post on your right. Turn right down this footpath that runs parallel with Chilton Way. On your left you will see the what was the old Workhouse. Soon you pass the entrance for the Ambulance Station. Carry straight on. Just after the Ambulance station, turn left down the footpath that joins the footpath you're on. Follow this footpath as it goes along the side of Chilton Fields. Head straight on until the path turns 90 deg to the right.

At this point, don't turn right yet, but follow the small path straight on and slightly left and you will see a wooden sign for the Pauper's Graves. Enter the path into the Paupers Graves area. Here you will see an information board about the graves.

Exit the area the same way you came in. Now turn left and continue to follow the footpath you were on. Soon it swings left. Follow this path all the way to Forest Rd.

When you get to the end of the path, cross the side road and head straight onto Forrest Rd towards Onehouse village, walking on the right, facing oncoming traffic.

When you reach the houses on your right, you will see an opening to a field opposite the houses on your left. Cross the road and enter the field.

Keep left and follow the footpath down the side of the field as it goes downhill. Keep on this footpath until you see a very slight left fork through a narrow opening into a wooded area.

Turn slight left and enter into the woodland area. Follow this path to the end where you emerge into another field.

Turn left and follow this path to the bottom of the field. You will emerge alongside the Shepherd & Dog pub opposite Lakeside Café.

Turn left in front of the pub and then right onto Finborough Rd, crossing Burford Bridge.

Once across the bridge, turn left onto Combs Lane and walk on the right.

After the houses on your right is a little path through the grass onto the field. This path runs parallel to Combs Lane. Continue along the field edge keeping Combs Lane to your left and the fields to your right. Follow this path across several fields, past the entrance to Waspes Farm, opposite Wash Lane. Past the sign for Murdoch Joinery. Eventually the path ends at Fen Farmhouse. At this point, cross Combs Lane and turn left, heading back on yourself for a few yards. You will see a footpath sign to your right. Turn right down this footpath, over a little bridge across the River Rat, and follow the path all the way to Danecroft Cottage.

When you reach the cottage follow the path to the right all the way to the end. You will emerge onto Beaumont Way. Slightly left and straight up the hill to Finborough Rd. Turn right onto Finborough Rd following the road back to the Recreation Ground.

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