

distinct and curves right to a gate. Go through the gate and the footpath is *straight ahead* to the distant right hand field corner where hedgerows meet. Head diagonally right across the next field and in the centre of the field beyond there is a clump of trees surrounding a pond. Go forward, *left of the trees* to the gateway in the hedge. Cross into the next field and with properties in Thorney Lanes coming into view, aim ahead to the farm buildings to the right of the white house (Daisy Bank) in the middle distance and as you reach the hedgerow which comes into view on the right, follow it down, keeping it on your right to pass through a gate set back from the lane.

Turn left on the lane, up Holt Hill then after ½ mile, just after Craners Lodge on the left, enter a field on the left over the stile. Follow the hedge for 25 yards, then as it begins to curve to the left *bear right* across the field making for a solitary oak tree to the left of the woodland. At the field corner next to the oak tree, climb the stile next to the gate. Go *diagonally right* between the corner of Dunghill Plantation and the first of the line of 3 electricity power poles and continue forward on rising ground making for the field corner over the brow. Cross the stile to the left of a gate and follow the hedge around to the right with the spire of All Saints Church coming into view away on the left. At the field corner climb the stile and make for the top of the rise and the stile to cross over the B5234.

Here climb a half hidden stile and keep the hedge on your left, as you walk down the field to the kissing gate behind "The Old Buffalo". *Turn left* into Yoxall Road to complete the 5 miles back to the village square.



- Leave livestock, crops and machinery alone.
- Take your litter home.
- Help to keep all water clean.
- Protect wildlife, plants and trees.
- Take special care on country roads.
- Make no unnecessary noise.
- Enjoy the countryside and respect its life and work.
- Guard against all risk of fire.
- Fasten all gates.
- Keep your dogs under close control.
- Keep to public paths across farmland.
- Use gates and stiles to cross fences, hedges and walls.

**TAKE NOTHING BUT PHOTOGRAPHS,
LEAVE NOTHING BUT FOOTPRINTS.**

You may find the following maps useful:-
O.S. Pathfinder Sheet: SK02/12
O.S. Landranger Sheet: 128

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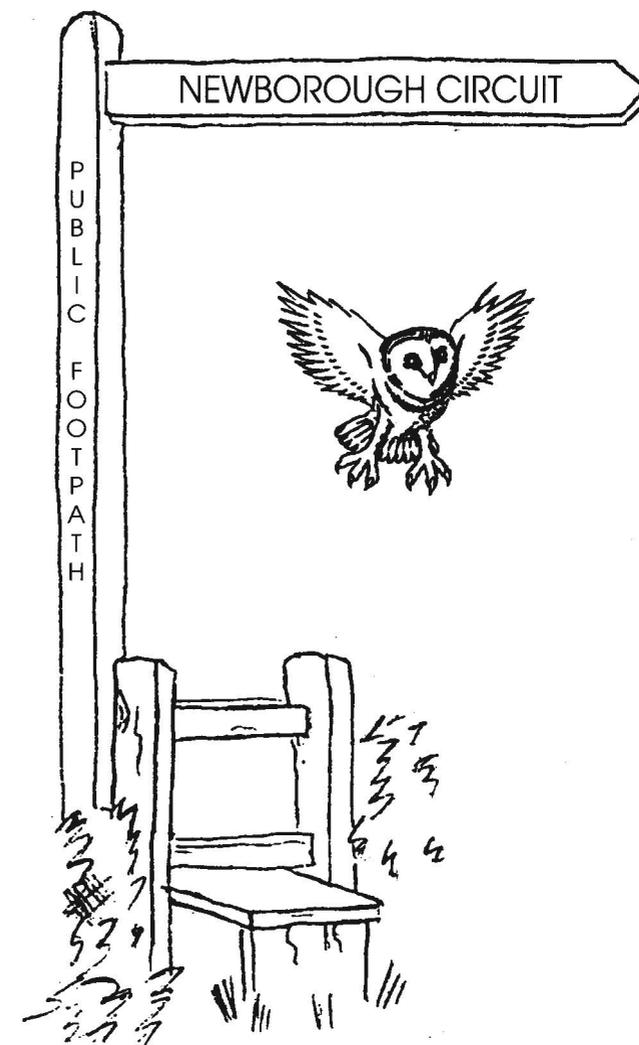
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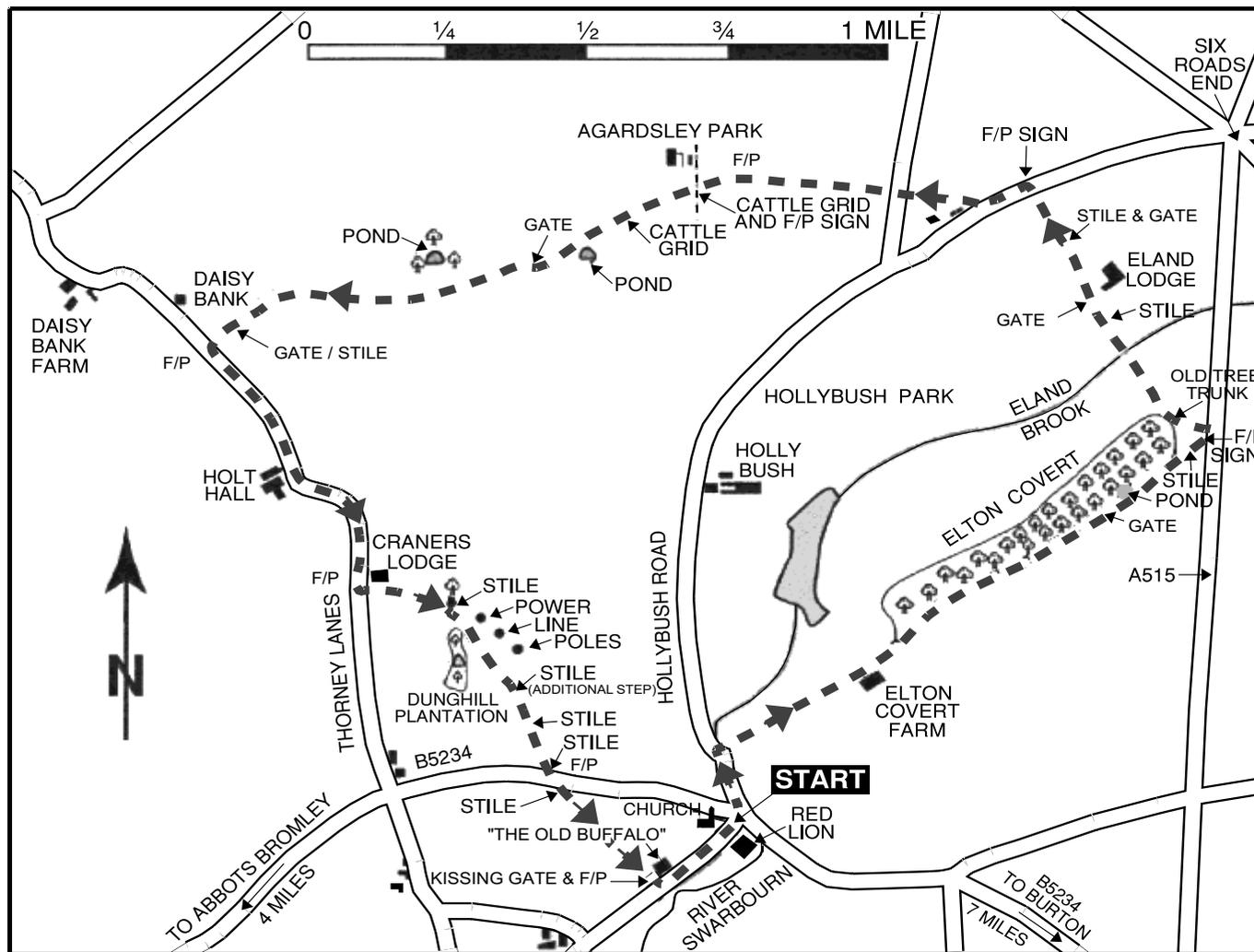
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**A
FIVE MILE
CIRCULAR WALK
WITHIN
THE PARISH OF
NEWBOROUGH**

**NEWBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL
WALK LEAFLET NO. 1**



The 5 mile route starts from the village church and takes you on a walk of approximately 2 hours exploring the northern half of Newborough Parish and offers fine views across varied countryside and parkland finishing back at the church.

The walk follows public rights of way throughout and the paths are well waymarked, however, you may find the Ordnance Survey Pathfinder map (Sheet No. SK02/12) useful. It can be muddy and strong footwear is recommended. Cars may be parked at the Red Lion where walkers are welcome.

Please keep dogs under close control and follow the Country Code.

From the church in the village square, take care crossing over the busy B5234 Abbots Bromley to Burton road and go along Hollybush Road. In 20 yds. take Elton Lane on the right, over the River Swarbour and turn left up the farm track with high hedges on either side to Elton Covert farm. Note the Duchy of Lancaster stone plaque set into the wall of a building, then pass through the gate, from here you

have a fine view to the left of Hollybush and its lake. The path is straight ahead for $\frac{3}{4}$ mile hugging the edge of Elton Covert. Easy level walking through 5 fields with footpath signposts and gates along the way, the path deviates from a straight line just once when it passes round a seasonal pond. Just beyond the edge of the woodland cross over the fence using a stile on your left, then continue in the same direction as before, keeping a thin hedge on your right until you reach the footpath signpost on the A 515.

The footpath then doubles back towards the corner of the woodland you have just left along the faint line of an ancient ditch to an old tree trunk. Turn right and go down the field keeping the remains of a straggly hedge on your right. Just before the brook you will see on your right the brick base remains of an old windpump. At one time it pumped water from a spring to a reservoir situated above Eland Lodge and provided the farm with its water supply.

Cross the bridge over Eland Brook then follow the wire fence on your right up to a waymarker and stile before the farm and shops on your right. Go left on the track away from the farm then through a gate and follow the track to meet Newborough Road where you turn left.

The walk may be shortened at this point by following the road back to the village $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles away but The Newborough Circuit goes left on the road for 150 yds. only, then forks right at two cottages, straight over minor crossroads then ahead down a private road to Agardsley Park. Where the track turns right in front of the house, go left over a cattle grid with a footpath sign. Other footpaths meet at this point but the Newborough Circuit is signed by a new finger post and goes to the right parallel to the field hedge and on the line of a well defined hard core tractor track across the field. Over another cattle grid into the next field with a pond just off to the left. The track becomes less