

THE VANGUARD WAY

(SOUTH TO NORTH)

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ROUTE DESCRIPTION

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This version (2.0.1) of the second edition of the south-north route description includes a new route at the south end to start near Edenbridge rather than at Haxted Mill. It is only available as an online resource.

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Vanguard Way **SOUTH-NORTH** Route Description: Section H

SECTION H: EDENBRIDGE TO LIMPSFIELD CHART

8.1 km (5.0 miles)

This second edition of the South-North version of the Route Description is based on a completely new survey undertaken by club members in 2017. This section was revised in 2019/20 to include a new route at the south end, using footpaths, which cuts out much walking along lanes that were quiet when the route was launched in 1981, but have since become rather busy. Instead of at Haxted Mill as previously, this section now starts on the western outskirts of Edenbridge at Crouch House Green, which is much closer to the railway stations in Edenbridge. However, this new route crosses a golf course where you must watch out for flying golf balls and allow golfers to finish their stroke before proceeding.

Inevitably changes to the route and facilities will occur, and we try to keep abreast of them. It is our intention to bring out an updated version of the Route Descriptions and Companion as necessary, but **please refer to the Latest News page on our website www.vanguardway.org.uk for any changes that may have taken place meanwhile.**

Paragraphs are numbered for ease of reference. However, please note that this South-North version uses the same numbering system for locations along the route as the original North-South version, so they appear to run in reverse order, i.e. in this section from H(4.1) to H(3.1). (The individual route description paragraphs in this South-North section are preceded by the letter H to distinguish them from the North-South versions.)

The route is marked on Ordnance Survey Explorer and Landranger maps, though you should note that in some places it is incorrectly marked on some older maps - we draw your attention to specific instances where relevant. Downloadable maps in pdf format showing the correct route are available on our website. Grid references are given at each numbered point to help identify the route. The country is divided into 100 km squares identified by a two-letter code, and following standard OS practice we include these letters in our grid references. In this section they are in square TQ.

In this route description:

The actual route description is shown in black Roman (upright) text.

Links with stations and other key places off route are shown in boxes with a grey background.

Italic text is used for items that are not part of the main route description, including:

- *Key information about facilities (see Vanguard Way Companion for more details)*
- *Road and street names **
- *Advice and asides.*

* The mention of a road or street name does not necessarily mean that you will see this name on the spot, but it may be helpful if you need to be picked up or set down, or to find your position on a street map.

Underlined bold italic text indicates that more details can be found in the Commentary, which follows the route description.










Distances and altitudes are given in kilometres (km) and metres (m); but if you are more familiar with miles and yards, remember that 1 km is about five eighths of a mile and that 100m is about the same as 110 yards. To roughly convert metres to feet, multiply by three and add 10 per cent.

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Abbreviations

Bw	=	bridleway	KA	=	keep ahead	N	=	north
CB	=	compass bearing	TL	=	turn left	S	=	south
FB	=	footbridge	TR	=	turn right	E	=	east
Fp	=	footpath	L	=	left	W	=	west
KG	=	kissing gate	R	=	right			
NP	=	no pavement (see below)						
Rd	=	road	m	=	metres			
Tk	=	track	km	=	kilometres			
VGW	=	Vanguard Way	>	=	off route			

Key to symbols

	=	Bus		=	Cafés etc		=	Toilets
	=	Train		=	Pubs		=	Phone box
	=	Taxi		=	Accommodation		=	Equipment shop

Roads with no pavement

'NP' in the route description indicates that the road has no pavement, and there are several of them in this section. Other roads in this section are usually quiet, but you should take great care when walking along them, as traffic may approach at speed. Generally, you should walk in single file along the right-hand side, but this may be dangerous at a right-hand bend, where you cannot see approaching traffic, and the driver, not seeing you, may keep too close to the bend. You should therefore follow the advice given in the Highway Code for such situations, which is: 'It may be safer to cross the road well before a right-hand bend so that oncoming traffic has a better chance of seeing you. Cross back after the bend.' If walking in poor light conditions or in the dark, always wear something bright, luminous or reflective on top.

Public transport

On route: Buses at Limsfield Chart.

Links with Edenbridge station and Westerham bus stops.

Distances from Crouch House Green to:

>Crockham Hill (via Southern Link)	5.6 km (3.5 miles)
>Crockham Hill (via Northern Link)	6.6 km (4.2 miles)
Limsfield Chart	6.7 km (4.3 miles)
>Westerham	10.5 km (6.6 miles)

Distances from Edenbridge Town Station* via Crouch House Green to:

>Crockham Hill (via Southern Link)	6.9 km (4.3 miles)
>Crockham Hill (via Northern Link)	7.9 km (4.9 miles)
Limsfield Chart	8.0 km (5.0 miles)
>Westerham	11.8 km (7.4 miles)

* For Edenbridge (Kent) Station add 0.6 km (0.4 miles)

Distances from Crockham Hill (via Southern Link) to:

Limsfield Chart	3.1 km (1.9 miles)
>Westerham	6.8 km (4.2 miles)

Distances from Crockham Hill (via Northern Link) to:

Limsfield Chart	2.5 km (1.6 miles)
>Westerham	6.2 km (3.9 miles)

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Overview

Mostly easy, level walking through farmland, on footpaths or bridleways, which may be uneven. It is quite low-lying and the area around Kent Brook and the River Eden may be very muddy or even under water after heavy rain. The route ascends gently towards the end as it crosses the Greensand Ridge. The highlights of this section include a Roman road and a sacred maze.

Note: Some older editions of Ordnance Survey 'Landranger' 1:50,000 sheet 187 show the VGW running erroneously along a yellow road west of Crockham Hill, and our new route nearer to Edenbridge may not yet be shown. Please note that the correct line is further east along the footpath running roughly south-north on the east side of Guildables Wood.

Lowest and highest points. River Eden near Haxted Mill (43m); Limpsfield Chart (175m).

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If your trip relies on the provision of public transport, catering etc, you are strongly advised to check in advance that they will be available on the day of your visit. Further information about these facilities is provided in the Vanguard Way Companion available at www.vanguardway.org.uk (click the 'Directions and Maps' button). If you carry a smartphone, there are apps that give up-to-date information on public transport. Search engines will provide information on refreshments, taxis and other services nearby. This can also be done on Google or Bing maps by typing e.g. 'Pubs Forest Row' in the search box, then the map will highlight locations together with website links if available.

We will always be pleased to hear about any changes you may find, in which case please email colin@vanguardway.org.uk.

BEFORE SETTING OUT ALONG THE VANGUARD WAY

Please read the [Introduction to the route](#), available from the 'Directions and maps' pages of our website www.vanguardway.org.uk. It contains important information that will be helpful when reading this route description.


And don't forget to look at the [Latest News](#) page on our website for any developments affecting this and any other part of the route.


PROBLEMS WHILE WALKING THE ROUTE


If you encounter an obstruction, closure or diversion on a public right of way, please tell us about it by emailing colin@vanguardway.org.uk.


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Section H of the Vanguard Way (South-North) starts at Crouch House Green on the western edge of Edenbridge [TQ 434 467]. This is in Sevenoaks District in Kent.

 *Edenbridge Town Station for trains from Oxted, East Croydon, central London, Buxted, Uckfield. Edenbridge (Kent) Station for trains from Tonbridge and Redhill.*

 *Buses (not Sundays) from Westerham, Tunbridge Wells and Sevenoaks.*

 *Several places in Edenbridge, including the community-run Bridges Centre. Also, the café in Edenbridge Leisure Centre is convenient for the link to the VGW.*

 *At Edenbridge Town Station and in the Leisure Centre. No toilets at Edenbridge (Kent) Station but available in the Esso fuel station's café, which you pass on the link to the VGW.*

Link from Edenbridge Town Station (1.3 km) and Edenbridge (Kent) Station (1.9 km).

Take great care crossing busy roads.

a) *From Edenbridge Town Station. From station exit KA on R-hand pavement along Station Approach, then TR along Station Road. Cross side road (Minstrels Close) and main road at lights then KA into Stangrove Park.*

From Edenbridge (Kent) Station, using exit from Platform 1, go down steps and TL to Rd, then TR along B2026 Station Road for 900m (KA at mini-roundabout and railway bridge). At traffic lights TR into Stangrove Park.

b) *Go half L across grass (Leisure Centre with café and toilets is to your R) to reach playground and KA at path junction to follow narrow tarmac path leading out of park.*

c) *At Rd (Pine Grove) TL to reach major Rd (Crouch House Road) and TR for 450m, passing grass area, Stanbridge Road and Orchard Drive.*

d) *At end of row of cottages, by footpath sign, cross Rd and KA along grit Tk, passing The Lodge, then in 120m at junction TL to join Section 4 of the VGW.*

H(4.1a) [TQ 434 467]

a) *Coming from Section G, TL along drive of Crouch House Farm. Coming from Edenbridge, KA.*

b) *In 15m, ignore 1st Fp on R then TR on next one very soon afterwards.*

c) *Follow Fp through scrub to pass between concrete slabs, then in 20 m TR off Fp to go through gap onto rough grass beside the 1st fairway of the course of the **Kent & Surrey Golf & Country Club**.*

H(4.1b) [TQ 432 468]

Please note that the route across the golf course follows a line that is a little to R of the one marked on OS maps, roughly following CB 330°. This was apparently agreed informally at some time in the past with Kent County Council. It follows a route that as far as possible keeps walkers and golfers apart, though it still has to cross some fairways and pass tees and greens. At the time of writing, there were still some gaps in signage, but we hope these gaps will be filled and the route formalised soon.

Watch out for flying golf balls, check both ways before crossing a fairway, or passing a tee or green. It's important to keep on good terms with the golfers. Always allow them to finish their stroke before continuing and give them a cheery wave – when not playing a stroke of course!

*VGW walkers are welcome to visit the clubhouse over to your right for refreshments or lunch. **Please do not take a short cut across the first tee.** Instead, follow the cinder track, which starts to the right of the groundsman's hut, around to the main entrance, and please remember to cover or remove muddy footwear before entering.*

a) *Go half L across fairway, **watching out for golfers driving off from R**, and head for R-hand side of line of trees, then TL to walk inside trees.*

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- b) At gap at end of trees, TR past scrub then bear L between ponds towards more trees, **watching out for golfers driving off from L.**
- c) At trees, TR across 2nd fairway, with pond to your R, and heading for post at edge of more trees.
- d) Follow Tk through trees to 3rd fairway then TL beside it to reach wooden footbridge over stream (ignore another footbridge further R).
- e) KA from line of footbridge across same fairway to locate post at start of another Tk into trees and follow it to reach raised golf green.
- f) Allowing golfers to finish playing, KA at foot of green and continue ahead across mown Tk into more trees.
- g) At 4th fairway (*ignore waymark discs pointing L at unclear junction with another Fp*) KA to gap in fence (with abandoned stile to L) and continue along Fp into more trees.
- h) Follow Fp as it jinks L then R beside another abandoned stile and fence of Gardiner Business Park. (*Note that this Fp has been diverted out of the business park so is slightly west of the line shown on some OS maps.*)
- j) Continue through trees, cross stile onto Tk (small car park (to L), TR then TL to reach Little Browns Lane.

H(3.9) [TQ 426 475]

- a) TL along Rd for 125m to reach junction (*Honeypot Lane ahead, Hilders Lane to R*).

H(3.8) [TQ 426 477]

- a) TR along Hilders Lane then cross railway bridge and swing R with Rd. *You cross two separate railway lines in quick succession: the first, under the bridge, is the Redhill-Tonbridge line via Edenbridge (Kent) Station; the second, lower down and in tunnel at the bend, is the London-Oxted-Uckfield line via Edenbridge Town Station. If you look right while crossing the bridge you can see intermediate portals of the tunnel.*
- b) TL at next Rd junction (*Troy Lane*).

 *Infrequent buses operate along this road daily except Sundays to/from Edenbridge, Sevenoaks, Tunbridge Wells and Holtye.*

Although not a VGW link, it is practical to divert here for 1.5 km to Edenbridge (Kent) Station, at the north end of the town, on the Tonbridge-Redhill line. Follow Hilders Lane for 1km to Marlpit Hill where Lane bends sharp left, then take Fp across scrub and then behind houses for 250m to Main Road, where R to station. The road has no pavement – see ‘Road safety’ in the Introduction.

You may wish to make a 200m diversion along this road anyway to see an interesting building on your right: the Miss Matilda Alice Hubbard Memorial Home for Girls, now the Holcot Residential Centre (which provides accommodation for groups). We would be grateful for any information about the history of this building.

- c) Follow Troy Lane for 300m to **Troy Town**, passing Grade II listed Yew Tree Farmhouse.

H(3.7) [TQ 427 481]

- a) At sharp L bend in lane, TR through gate (*note barn with clock to your L*) then KA up enclosed Tk (Bw) – may be very muddy towards the top.
- b) In 400m, between gates, go through L-hand gate then immediately TR in field beside trees.
- c) In 30m at field gate TL along Fp, following R edge of same field.
- d) KA at Fp junction beside lone tree.
- e) Cross stile by gate into next field and KA along R edge, passing through KG. *30m before the KG, you may be able to discern an abandoned trig pillar (see Section F) in the dense scrub on your right - its spot height is 81m (266 feet) above sea level. The large building on the hillside above the trees (quarter left) used to be the Marie Curie Research Institute (now private apartments), which you pass near later.*
- f) KA to cross stile by gate on to Rd (*Hole Lane*) at Gaywood.

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H(3.6) [TQ 432 488]

- TL on Rd (NP) for 30m then cross stile before gate on R.
- Descend field quarter L to corner of wood (due N). *You now have a fine view ahead of buildings in Crockham Hill.*
- KA along field edge with Guildables Wood on your L.
- At end of field cross stile, and KA (ignoring gate on your L) along L side of next field.
- At kink in field boundary, with trees ahead, TL along Tk then in 40m, immediately before gap into field, TR across stile or through gap into small wooded enclosure.

H(3.5) [TQ 433 496]

- Pass pond (may be dry) and cross stile into field.
- Follow L-hand side of field for 150m then, 50m before end of field, cross stile on L into another field.
- Now follow L-hand side of this field for 100m then cross stile into copse.

H(3.4) [TQ 433 499]


- KA (ignoring path to R), shortly cross another stile then TR in field.
- In 40m go through KG, then follow Fp along R side of narrow meadow. *The tiled house on your left is Dairy Green. Here you cross the line of the Roman road, from Lewes to London, that you encountered earlier on Section F.*
- At end of meadow go through gate then briefly TR along drive of Dairy Green to Rd (Dairy Lane). 100m to your R here (on the Southern Link to Crockham Hill) is **Old Dairy Farm**.

The Southern Link to Crockham Hill starts here.

Southern Link to Crockham Hill [1.0 km / 0.6 miles, TQ 442 506]

- TR on Rd (NP) and bear L past Old Dairy Farm then at next bend take Bw on L by metal gate.
- Follow uneven fenced Tk (Bw) uphill then KA into field, keeping to left-hand side.
- KA along enclosed Bw leading to residential Rd (Deanery Road) to village centre.
- TR along B2026 Main Road to bus stop by Royal Oak pub.

 Infrequent buses Monday-Friday only to/from Westerham, Edenbridge, East Grinstead, Crawley, Three Bridges, Lingfield, Sevenoaks and Oxted.

 Royal Oak in village centre.

 Opposite Royal Oak.

If starting from Crockham Hill:

- From B2026 Main Road, as if leaving Royal Oak pub, TL and shortly take left fork (Smiths Lane).
- Immediately TL along Deanery Road.
- At its end bear R on Fp between grass and houses then KA on Tk (Bw).
- At field follow uneven fenced Tk (Bw) down to Rd (Dairy Lane). Take care joining Rd as vehicles may come fast round bend.
- TR along Rd (NP) for 200m, passing Old Dairy Farm and KA past Dairy Green to rejoin VGW.

Alternatively you can return to the VGW by following the Northern Link (see next page) but you would then miss 750m of the route.

H(3.3) [TQ 435 501]

- TL along Rd for 200m passing Hurst Farmhouse, which together with its cottages are Grade II listed. As the road bears right you rejoin the line of the Roman road mentioned at H(3.4); it continues straight ahead in the field as you leave Dairy Lane, and you may be able to discern its line as it diverges from the VGW.

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- b) At sharp L-hand bend, just before Brook Cottage, KA through gate and TR along side of paddock.
- c) Go through gate then TL in field beside fence.
- d) In 200m cross **Kent Brook** on FB with stile at each end. *Note the worn stones below the FB – they may indicate the presence of an ancient crossing point here.*
- e) Continue on CB 350° across next field, heading for lone tree to L of large house (Trevereux Manor – see below), which is next to a (possibly dry) pond.

The Northern Link with Crockham Hill starts here.

Northern Link to Crockham Hill (1.2 km / 0.8 miles, TQ 442 506]

- a) TR on Fp between (possibly dry) pond and fence/embankment and follow fence (CB 90°, due E) in same field to stile.
- b) Cross stile and follow L side of next field to cross another stile and FB, and up steps into wood.
- c) KA through wood, cross stile and climb L side of small field, then cross another stile near chalet-style building (Huf Haus).
- d) KA along residential Rd (Oakdale Lane), then at its end TR along Smiths Lane to B2026 Main Road in **Crockham Hill**.
- e) TR for village centre, bus stop and Royal Oak pub.

 Infrequent buses Monday-Friday only to/from Westerham, Edenbridge, East Grinstead, Crawley, Three Bridges, Lingfield, Sevenoaks and Oxted.

 Royal Oak in village centre.

 Opposite Royal Oak.

If starting from Crockham Hill:


- a) From B2026 Main Road, as if leaving Royal Oak pub, TL and shortly take L fork (Smiths Lane).
- b) Pass Deanery Road then TL along Oakdale Lane.
- c) In 200m at end of lane bear L over stile and down Fp along R side of small field.
- d) Cross stile and continue through wood to descend steps, cross FB and stile into field.
- e) KA along R side of field then cross stile into another field.
- f) KA beside fence in next field then at lone tree beside (possibly dry) pond TR to rejoin VGW.

H(3.2) [TQ 431 507]

- a) KA (passing on your R an ornamental lake (with model temple on island – may not be visible when trees are in leaf) to cross stile on to Tk opposite Trevereux Cottages. *Our second encounter with the Tandridge Border Path, which comes in from the left here.*
- b) TR along Tk to pass Grade II listed **Trevereux Manor** and bear L past gate up steep lane (Trevereux Hill), passing Trevereux House, also Grade II listed.
- c) In 700m pass drive on L, beside the Old School House (signed for Chart Ridge etc – this is the large house you saw earlier, which used to be the Marie Curie Research Institute, now relocated to Liverpool).
- d) KA for 200m to major Rd (B269 Kent Hatch Road).
- e) Cross Rd **with care** and KA along Rd opposite (Moorhouse Road) past **St Andrew's Church** to junction with Tally Road where the **Greensand Way** crosses the VGW, and where Section H of the VGW (South-North) ends in **Limpsfield Chart** at point:

H(3.1) [TQ 426 519]

 Bus services operate from the Carpenters Arms to Oxted, Hurst Green, Westerham and Redhill.


 Carpenters Arms 130m to L along Tally Road.

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Link to Westerham [3.8 km / 2.4 miles, TQ 446 540]

This link follows the Greensand Way (GW) for the first 1.5 km then the GW link with Westerham. The route is mostly well signed by GW discs and fingers, though there are some gaps.

- a) On reaching Tally Road at Limpsfield Chart, by white fence of The Mill House, TR into wood at fingerpost along GW, following stony Tk.*
- b) Ignore first Tk on L then in 300m at waymark post bear L on lesser Tk.*
- c) Tk soon swings R through area of earthworks and embankments. Follow this general direction (around CB 70°) for next 900m to end of wood, keeping ahead at all cross Tks – may be muddy in places. Towards the end join and follow major Tk at five-ways junction.*
- d) At second five-ways junction with fingerpost, bear half past stone plinth marking GW halfway point, then KA on fenced Bw between gardens.*
- e) Cross Rd (Goodley Stock Road) **with care** and pass field-gate.*
- f) KA on Tk (permissive Fp/Bw) for 80m to T-junction.*
- g) Here main GW route goes R, but VGW link goes L, now on GW link to Westerham. (GW waymark post which should be here missing at time of writing.)*
- h) Follow this gently descending Tk (Fp) in same general direction (around CB 15° to 20°) for 900m, ignoring all side turns.*
- j) At edge of wood, cross Tk then go through KG into sparse copse, now in Squerryes Park. (Prominent white dovecote down to L is part of 17th century Squerryes Court complex.)*
- k) Go through second KG and KA across field to third KG, then KA along fenced Fp.*
- l) After fourth KG descend steeply towards pond.*
- m) At foot TL past Park Lodge and follow Tk (Mill Lane).*
- n) In 100m by Long Pond TR down steps, over FB and through KG, then KA along foot of sloping field.*
- p) In 300m at gap in bushes TL through KG and follow fenced Fp crossing River Eden (note stone steps and what seems to be a historic clothes-washing place) and leading to Water Lane.*
- q) At end go down steps to enter Westerham opposite the village green (bus stops close by).*

 Buses to Bromley and Sevenoaks; also (Mo-Fr only) East Grinstead, Edenbridge and Crawley.

   Several in Westerham – see VGW Companion.

COMMENTARY

on places shown in bold italics and underlined in the route description.

H(4.1)

The **Kent & Surrey Golf & Country Club** occupies 250 acres. Its course, designed by David Williams, opened in 1975.

H(3.8)

It is suggested that the name of the tiny hamlet of **Troy Town** indicates the possible existence here in former times of a sacred maze, the association being with the complicated defensive walls of ancient Troy.

H(3.4)

Grade II listed **Old Dairy Farmhouse**, just a few metres further along the road where you turn off, is now a private residence, but appropriately signed by two old milk churns by the road. First mentioned in the Court Roll of 1547, it is believed to date from the 15th century and is now a listed building. It has a gallery and large central hall, almost unchanged for four centuries.

H(3.3)

Kent Brook is a tributary of the River Eden. Its name signifies the border between Kent and Surrey, and indeed you cross here from Surrey (Tandridge District) into Kent (Sevenoaks District).

Crockham Hill (1 km E on link) is a sleepy village on a south-facing promontory of the Greensand Ridge in Kent. This location provides outstanding views, and many large houses were built here by wealthy London businessmen. Holy Trinity Church was built in 1842 of local stone in Victorian Gothic style, and stands on a spur with good views over The Weald. Inside is a marble effigy of Octavia Hill (1838-1912), a housing reformer and co-founder in 1895 of the National Trust, who is buried in the churchyard. The last building on the right as you leave the village southwards on the B2026 was a youth hostel until 1991, much used by VGWayfarers. Just south of the former youth hostel is a plain iron milestone ('London 24 miles') of the Westerham & Edenbridge Turnpike Trust, dated 1767.

1.5 km to the northeast of Crockham Hill is **Chartwell Manor**, the home of Sir Winston Churchill from 1922 to 1965, now owned by the National Trust and open to the public as a memorial and museum (www.nationaltrust.org.uk/chartwell).

H(3.2)

The unusual name **Trevereux** was first recorded in 1542 as Trivyrocks after a local squire, Thomas Trivyrock. During the Second World War, the skies above this area were the scene for many a dogfight of the Battle of Britain, with fighters from Biggin Hill and other nearby airfields arriving to take on the incoming bombers.

St Andrew's Church was built in 1895 in the Victorian Gothic style and is constructed largely of sandstone. It was designed by Sir Reginald Blomfield who, says Pevsner, was 'evidently not at home in Gothic'.

At 169 km (105 miles) the **Greensand Way** is one of the longest walking routes in southern England. It follows the Greensand Ridge, running parallel to and south of the North Downs, from Haslemere in Surrey to Ham Street in Kent. Further information from <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/culture-and-leisure/countryside/walking/long-walks/the-greensand-way-long-distance-route>

The village of **Limpsfield Chart** is also known as The Chart, which is local dialect for overgrown common land, from the Saxon 'cert' - not to be confused with Limpsfield Common, 1½ km to the northwest. Confusingly, the chart is part of a group of several separate National Trust properties in the area, which the NT administers in one unit under the name Limpsfield Common. During the coaching era of the 18th and early 19th centuries, the B269 here used to be the main road from London to Lewes.

