

## WALK NUMBER 4 STARTING FROM THE VILLAGE HALL.

Walk to The Alma Pub & return via Pinford Farm.

Approx 5 miles

1) From the village hall car park walk towards the church. Pass through the Church yard coming out by the village sign. Cross over the road bridge & take the footpath on the right.

1) Cross over this field, keeping the hedge on your right & pass over another stile, still keeping the hedge on your right pass over a bridge/ford (depending on the conditions) Still keeping the hedge on your right continue over 2 more stiles. Once over the second stile proceed diagonally across the field keeping the large oak tree & small pond in the middle of the field on your left. You will reach the road at Beavans Hill by a stile.

1) Turn left here & proceed along the road for about 300 yards to a footpath sign in the hedge on the right. Turn right into a small field entrance & cross over a stile walking in the direction of the signs again keeping the hedge on your right. Cross a stile & keep walking in the same direction to the corner of the field. The walk at this point goes left (ignore the stile on the right) Continue walking with the hedge on your right passing over another stile until you come to a stile in the corner of the field on the right. Pass over this stile, if the stile is overgrown use the gap in the hedge on the left of the stile & walk to a road keeping the hedge on the right.

1) At the road there is a three-way junction, take the middle road ignore roads to left & right) You are now on Linton Ridge & there are fine views to The Malverns on your right & the Black Mountains to your left. Ignoring footpaths on the right & left, continue on this road for approx 1mile to a road junction. Carry on in the same direction on a footpath, keeping the Village Hall wall on your left & then passing through the Church yard. If this path is overgrown, walk through the village hall car park to a gate in the far corner leading into the churchyard. Continue walking for a few yards & you'll reach The Alma pub on your right.

1) After refreshments at The Alma continue in the same direction to a road junction. At this junction take a path/drive to the left, by Bramble Cottage, to a stile. Cross over the stile. Keep walking steeply downhill with the hedge on your right & after approx 100 yards cross over another stile on your right, behind

two large Oak trees & walk down some steps. A descent takes you into a shallow valley. Continue down the valley bearing right past a telegraph pole to the road by a stream & gate at Frogs Leap.

1) Do not cross over this stile. You will see a finger post on the left pointing back along the fence with a stile in. Cross the stile, turn left & walk through the property in the direction indicated by the finger post to exit by a gate. **The owners are quite happy for you to do this but say that most walkers find it easier to just walk along the fence in the field to a gap at the end of the garden then walk through the gate.** Continue in the same direction keeping the fence & stream on your left. Cross over a stile & walk in the same direction to exit the field by a gate at Pinford Farm.

1) Turn left & walk past the farmhouse & up a farm track to a road, ignoring the footpath on your left. Cross over the road to some steps & a stile into a field. Crossing over the stile you will see another stile in the far hedge. Head towards this stile, crossing over this & continue in the same direction to a stile, crossing over it onto the road.

1) At the road bare very slightly left to a gap in the hedge & descend down some steps to another road. Once on the road take the right turn. Walk along this road. Ignoring footpaths left & right at Talbots Well & also another unmarked footpath to the right. Just after a white house with a balcony, named Malvern View, turn left onto a farm track. Walk along this track to a farm. Take a footpath on the right just before a green painted barn, to a stile, in the fence by a large Oak. Beware of barbed wire on the stile. Walk diagonally right to a gate by the fence. Walk along the fence/hedge to a stile in the corner. Cross over the stile into a wood, walk along the path to another stile. Cross over this stile & turn left. Walk keeping with the hedge on your left crossing over 2 stiles to the road.

1) Turn left & walk along the road. Just after a footpath sign on the right & before a house on the left, you will see a track forking to the right. This is sometimes overgrown but is passable. Walk down this track until you come to a property called Glenleith. Turn right & walk towards a Barn conversion & probably a large mobile home on the right. (Glenleith Farm) Pass through a pedestrian gate & walk in the direction of the arrow. You will see a stile & bridge in the far hedge. Cross over the bridge & turn left & walk round the boundary of the field, keeping the hedge on your left. (the path actually goes

diagonally left across the field to the far-left hand corner, but most people walk round the edge of the field which is much easier if the field is in crop). Cross the stile into a field & still keeping the hedge on your left walk down the field to a stile & farm gate.

1) Cross over the stile & walk down the farm track to the road. Turn left to the village hall.