

NEW YEAR'S DAY 2021. COMMEMORATIVE WALK. ST MARYS LINKED

**St Mary's, Woodbridge and St Mary's, Great Bealings will be open
from 11.00 am until 3.00 pm.**



St Mary's Great Bealings -



Seckford porch



Bells will peal



Spring is coming

OBJECTIVE: to personalise our commemoration of the setting up of the new Benefice by visiting both churches, pause for prayer and contemplation, and signing a commemorative book in each.

METHOD: Two feet, two wheels, four wheels, four feet – or any combination to suit.

ROUTE (see below): In either direction, or both, taking in the area around Seckford Hall and Seckford Golf Club - Seckford being a historic bridge between the two churches.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS: We would love to be able to offer refreshments but cannot – so self-resourced, if required.

Each church will be “manned” throughout the four hours, ensuring Covid-compliance. Tier 4 restrictions apply to walkers.

Appropriate background music will fill the churches.

A short joyous peal of bells around 12.00 should help to orientate you if you are lost.

Dogs should enjoy most of this – bowls and biscuits probably available

SUGGESTED ROUTES: Great Bealings Church is in Hall Farm Road
IP13 6NY

From Woodbridge: You may wish to consider signing the book, and then taking the car to the outskirts and then park nearby:

A/Home Meadows Nursery – take the footpath to the right of the Nursery 100 yards down from the roundabout, and under the culvert beneath the by-

pass, then round to the right of Cherry Tree Farm, which you can (red-bricked) see on the horizon. You can then take the footpath off to the left which will eventually lead you into Lodge Road – turn left until you reach Lower Street. Turn right here, and at the far end of the road you will see the church on your left. Alternatively follow the track round towards Seckford Hall Road, and walk down towards Birds Hill. When you see Great Bealings House – and its pyramid - turn left, then right, following Rosery Lane and you will emerge on to Hall Farm Road. Turn left and the church will be on your left after about 600 yards. At the top of Kiln Lane you can take the track to the left (Kiln Lane), and turn right at the bottom into Lower Street -turn right and left at the top of the hill (safer route)

B/ Dobbies. There is a footpath off to the left about 100 metres from the Garden Centre. Follow this for about half a mile and you will see a large modern house on your left. A track leads down to and past this and you will emerge opposite Seckford Golf Club. Turn right and you will reach Birds Hill, with Great Bealings House straight ahead of you. Turn left, and then first right into Rosery lane. At the end of the lane turn left (busyish road – and the church will be on your left after about 600 yards. Again, the track down Kiln Lane, as above, is safer.

C/Near the by-pass crossing into Seckford Hall Road – and walking from there. There is a cycle crossing (no lights) walk down the road towards Seckford Hall and Seckford GC – once past there as for route 1. Much more interesting (less on metalled roads) is the alternative; take the footpath left just before Seckford Hall, follow the track around, and you will eventually see Cherry Tree Farm – the options are then as in route A.

Woodbridge is easier to find! Bealings residents should know these routes in reverse.

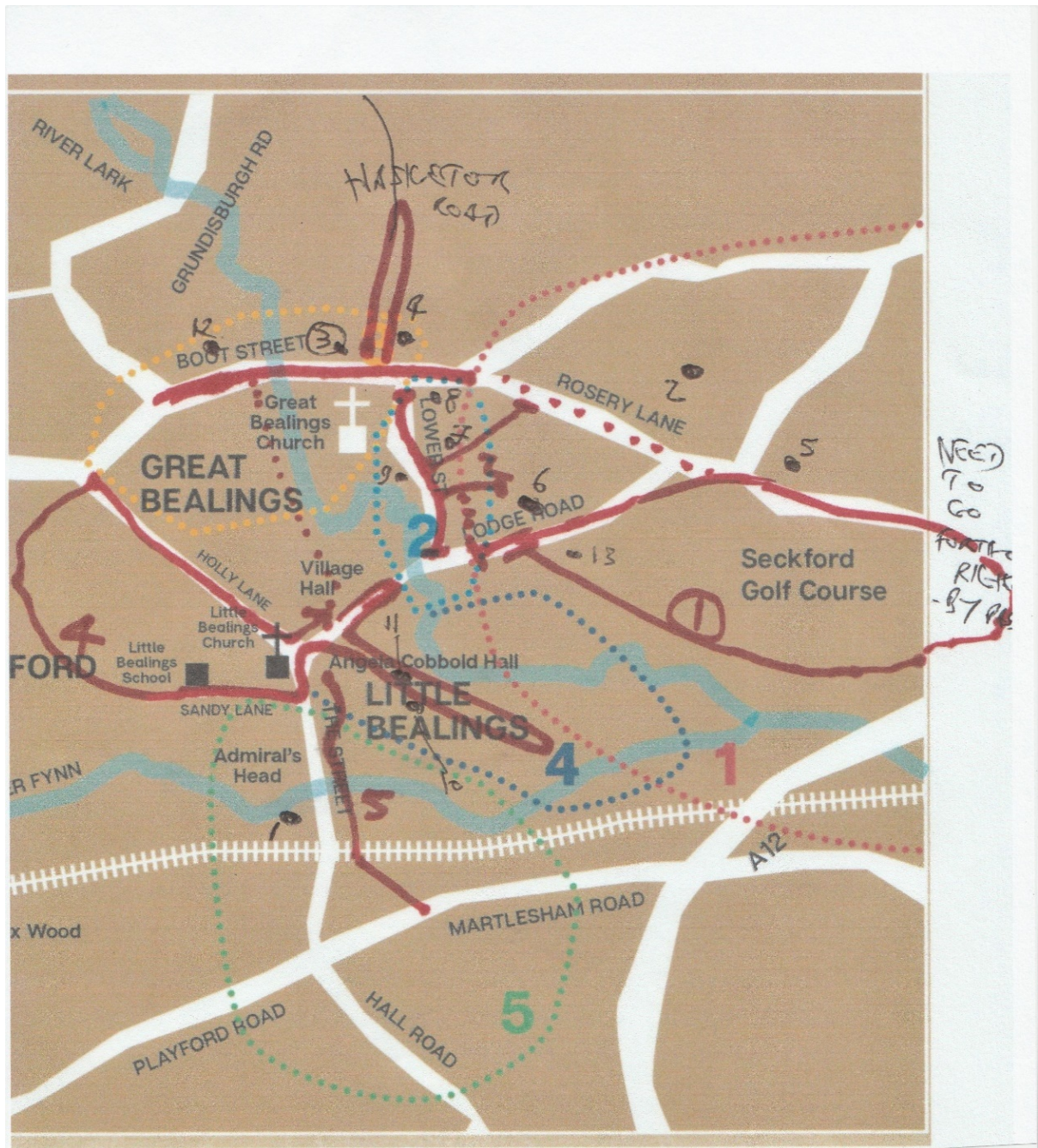


LODGE
ROTD

KEY
BUS STOP

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Leaving Woodbridge - 3 possibilities



Draft schematic map for forthcoming publication

“Walking through History” - 5 trails – use trail 1 and 2

