



COSTOCK WALK NO 3a

**11km/6.8 miles Grading - Moderate
allow 2 to 3.5 hours**

This walk is a shortened version of Walk 3 and involves passing through the lost mediaeval village of Thorpe-le-Glebe instead of walking to Willoughby.

ROUTE.

At point 3 on Walk 3, instead of walking ahead on the bridle path towards Annabells's Farm, go through the adjacent gate and bear diagonally right in the field as indicated by the signpost. At the opposite corner of the field cross 2 stiles on either side of a stream to enter another field. Continue along the same line up the hill aiming just to the right of Church Site Farm to reach the lost village of Thorpe-le-Glebe at the top of the hill as evidenced by several mounds in the ground. Locate a stile on the left in the fence near the farm, cross and enter a small paddock. Walk towards the left side of the farm-house to pass through a metal gate and emerge onto a track, Do not turn right down the track but instead cross the track to enter a small field. Cross this to a stile in the opposite fence and enter a larger grassy field. Bear slightly right to reach a double stile in the opposite hedge at a junction of paths. Bear right as indicated to reach the right hand hedge which is parallel to stream. Follow the hedge and stream until a stile and footbridge is reached on the right. Cross and aim left to a marker post near a tree. Turn left (with hedge left) and go through a gate to reach the next field. Immediately walk diagonally right across the field aiming for a marker post just to the right of some Leylandi hedging. Cross a stile to enter Mushill Lane. The stile opposite leads to a large arable field. If the way through the field is unclear due to high crops, it may be better to turn right down the lane to reach Wysall Lane and there turn left to reach the junction of paths at point 5 on walk 3. Otherwise, bear right in the field aiming to the left of the right hand hedge. A cross path is reached where the right hand hedge turns through a right angle with yellow marker posts to the left and right. Turn right onto the cross path to reach the corner of the hedge. Go through a gap ahead and walk through several fields with hedge right to reach Wysall Lane and point 5 on walk 3.

