



Drive along Bells Lane and Stanningfield Road to the Sudbury Road (A134). Go right and then left along Water Lane. At the T-junction go left and park in a few hundred yards on the left with old wooded railway embankments on both sides. Walk up the bank on the same side as you've parked and walk along the old railway line. Just past a point where another path comes up on the left from the main road below, there's a footpath signed on your right – cross a stile into a field and walk to the left, uphill to the end of a hedge. Go round to the far side of the hedge and walk with it on your right along the side of a field. The tower of Little Whelnetham church should come into view: before you reach it you'll be directed to turn right and pass along the backs of several properties before turning left between two of these and onto the road through the village. Crossing this road and over to your right there's a track (Parsonage Lane, though I'm not sure it's labelled) leading to a number of houses. Eventually the track reduces to a path and you'll reach another road ('Linkwood Road').

Go left along the road and follow this for several hundred yards with the wood on your right before finding a wide track on the right. This leads to an equestrian centre (with dogs!) Just before the gate to this property look for a footpath post to your right, some distance off the track and across a wide grass verge. This will lead you round the side and to the rear of the property where you'll strike off across a field. Entering the next field, it looks like you'll be walking diagonally right towards Hall Farm. But then you go off in the diagonally left, away from that farm and through the field to the boundary. Here you cross another path and go into another field and walk ahead along its right-hand boundary. At the end you continue round the field edge for a hundred yards or so before turning right to reach a track. Go right down to a road.

Turn right here and with houses set back on either side walk round an ‘S-bend’ in the road: ignore the first footpath fingerpost on the left, but take the second, a short distance beyond. This goes straight as a die towards a road with houses on either side: you’ll see them clearly as you approach on this path. This is ‘Hollybush Corner’. Go left on the road, which bends to the right and where there’s a newish wooden bench on the right, take the footpath here into a horse paddock. Look for a stile on the right to take you out of this field and walk to the left alongside the hedge. Where this hedge ends at a right-angle, go straight ahead across the field to the far side. Go right along the headland but don’t be tempted onto the adjacent road because you need the track that you’ll see almost immediately ahead signposted as footpath and ‘Frog’s Hall’.

Walk towards and past Frog’s Hall, then go slightly left so as to walk with a hedge on the right, along the side of a long field. As you follow this way it opens out to become a wide track between two hedges and comes to a T-junction. Go left, initially still between hedges. When you see that you’re about to cross what appears to be a random and unnecessary brick bridge go right immediately before the bridge and walk ahead, first past several rows of old fruit trees. The bridge used to have a railway below it. You’ll approach a large building ahead and go round to the left to avoid it, shortly then reaching a road. Go right and you’ll see the ‘Old Station House’ ahead of you. Go left and you’ll be back on the path along the old railway track. Continue ahead until you go down the embankment at the end and reach your car across the road.

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