HENHAM WALKS



TITLE: Mole Hall and Amberden Hall



Walk 5. Mole Hall and Amberden Hall

Suitability:All.Time:2 hours.Condition:Bridle paths can be both slippery and muddy.

From the War Memorial walk west towards the Church of St. Mary the Virgin with The Cock public house on your right. Walk along the road to the last house on your left. A little further on take the bridle-path on the right (Sheepcote Lane). A fishing reservoir can be seen on the right.

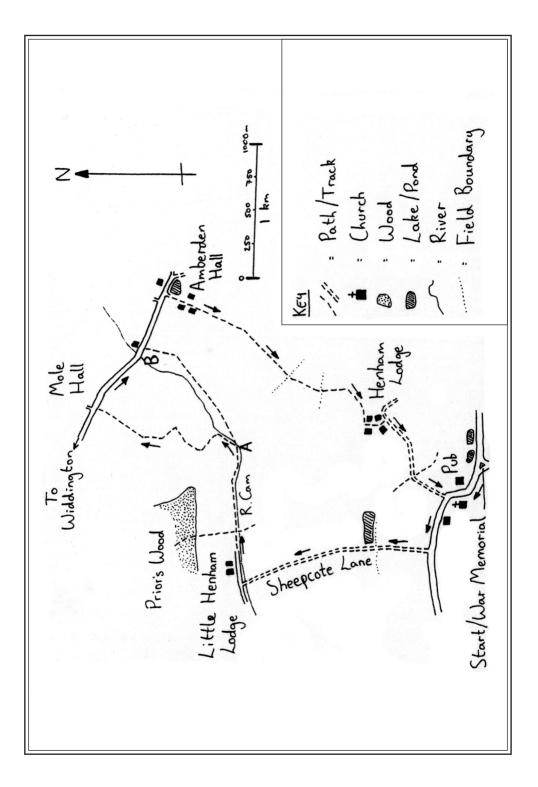
Continue down the bridle-path which eventually takes you between two hedges and under two sets of pylons. You will come to a brick footbridge at the junction with the road. Turn right beside Rotoco Cottage.

The walk then follows the course of the infant River Cam or Granta for some distance. Pass Little Henham Lodge on your left then continue on a byway. On your left you may glimpse Prior's Wood which is primeval. You pass a small two-plank footbridge on your right and then further on still, a large footbridge with metal handrails (Point A).

Continue along the byway, with the Cam on your right, until you reach a bend, at which point you veer left leaving the Cam on your right. Continue to the end of the byway until you reach the road. Turn right. This road takes you alongside the edge of Mole Hall Wildlife Reserve.

Point B is indicated by a footpath fingerpost. Continue past point B and the entrance to Thistley Hall. Just past the sign take the footpath right. Continue down this path in the grounds of Amberden Hall and walk on through the farm buildings.

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The path continues forward and across fields for some distance, with an expansive view of the countryside, until you reach Henham Lodge. The footpath takes you between the farm buildings. Turn right and follow the track which runs between fields with Henham village to your left.

At the junction of two footpaths stay on the track and walk up the incline towards the church. At the top turn left on the road, pass the church and the pub and return to the War Memorial.

The walk can be shortened by taking the footpath at point A. At point A cross the footbridge and turn left on the far side of the stream. This path is waymarked and it follows the course of the Cam. You rejoin the longer walk at point B near the Malt House.