

Sawbridgeworth SHORT WALK 3

Points of Interest



Dragonfly



1 Bell Street

In April and October each year a Horse Fair was held. Horses were put on display and were trotted up and down Bell Street.

2 Rivers Nursery

Rivers Nursery stood beside High Wych Road and was said to be the oldest in England. It was founded by Thomas Rivers and gained a national reputation for trees and shrubs after it started in 1725 during the reign of George I. When the Florida Orange crop failed in California in 1876, a variety known as "Valentia Late" was sent out by the Nursery and established the present industry there. The site is now in use as a private hospital. Footpath Number 16 skirts what is left of the original Rivers Orchard.



3 Fair Green

Just off Bell Street is Fair Green which was used by the Travelling Fair Show with its roundabouts and swings.



Jay



Plum Tree



Distance	2.5 miles
Rating	Moderate to Hard, mostly surfaced paths
Route	Circular
Time	1½ hours
Toilets	Bell Street Car Park
Starting Point	Bell Street Car Park
Finishing Point	Bell Street Car Park



Yellow arrows indicate a footpath for pedestrian use only.



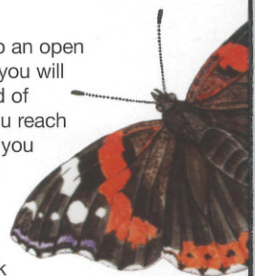
Blue arrows indicate a bridleway that can be used by riders, cyclists and pedestrians.



White arrow with black outline on white background indicates the owner has given permission for the public to use the path. These are known as permissive paths

From car park turn left into **Bell Street (1)**. Carry on to the main road cross over the road at the crossing. Turn right and go straight ahead for about 50 yards, take the twitchell to your left marked to Catholic Church. At the end of twitchell take the road in front of you. Follow this road on your left is the Catholic Church. Carry straight on until you reach a T junction. The footpath is straight in front of you. Take this path, at the end turn left with Chalks Farm to your left. At the end of this path you will see a bridge on your right. Turn right over bridge and then cross the ditch by bridge on your left. Take the path in front of you, at the waymark post (there is a block of garages here) turn right across the field. Just before the bench seat turn left and follow the path into the scrub area, this will take you into the area that was once **Rivers Nursery (2)**.

Keep going straight following the ditch on your right hand side. When you come out onto an open area turn left and follow path around edge of the field bearing to the right. Then turn left you will now have the hedge on your right and a scrub area on your left. When you reach the end of the scrub area, turn left and follow the wide path in the direction of the houses. When you reach the waymark post (your back at the block of garages) turn right and follow the path until you reach the road. Turn right at end of road, cross over the road and take the lower path on the left. Follow this path (Brook Road) with the stream on your left, until you reach the main road. Cross road at lights turn left and then right into Springhall Road. Go to the end of Springhall Road and then turn left going up hill, take path to right of cricket field when you reach **Fair Green (3)** turn left at house. This path will take you back to Car Park



Red Admiral