Beech Hurst, Bolnore and Muster Green

Distance: 1.25 miles (2km) Time :1 hour Starting point: Beech Hurst Car Park, Butlers Green Road



Start the walk through Beech Hurst Gardens

On the left is The Coach House, dating from 1795. Turn right and follow Bolnore Road. Follow the Byway at the end of made up road and turn left where paths meet – on the right is Bolnore House.

Go along the Public Footpath, adjacent to St Catherine's Cottage, through mixed woodland, arriving at the railway bridge at Catts Wood at the end of Ashenground Road. Bolnore Village is on the right. Cross over the bridge.

You might be interested to see Little Haywards, in which case, continue up Ashenground Road until you reach Haywards Road. Turn left and left again into Courtlands and Little Haywards is on your left.

Return and continue along Sunnywood Drive, a road with 1930s houses, which are listed, at the roundabout. Left into Drummond Close and then look for the path into Victoria Park with its various recreational facilities including children's paddling pool.

There is an optional detour up the steps to The Plantation with Trim Trail for the actively inclined. At the top of the park, turn left onto the A272 past the Haywards Heath Town Sign, which depicts two Cavaliers. Pass the Star Public House on the right.

Muster Green South Conservation Area is on the right. Continue past Victorian and Edwardian houses on the left – note the interesting hedge outside nos. 31/33 on the left hand side. The War Memorial is situated on Muster Green, which also has ornamental flower beds, trees and seats to rest and enjoy the floral display. Muster Green is owned and managed by the Town Council.



As you proceed along the Public Footpath next to A272, you will see on the right hand side The Dolphin Pub, built in the 16th century. Also, on the right, are the James Bradford Almshouses and the former King Edward VII & Elliot Memorial Cottage Hospital, which is now the Beech Hurst Nursing Home. Turn left into the Beech Hurst Gardens entrance with its recreational facilities, pitch & putt, Model Railway, garden and walks. There are fine views of the South Downs from here.

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