WALKS AROUND EARLEY





Walk 4: Chalfont Park and Pearman's Copse (revised Nov 22)

An attractive walk from Chalfont Park which avoids roads and traffic as far as possible. The walk runs through parkland to the woodlands of Pearman's Copse (on the Earley/Shinfield border), returning via quiet roads and paths. The walk is mostly on tarmac and gravel, but some sections are on grassland or paths through woodland, which may be muddy or slippery at certain times of the year.

Length

2 miles (3.2 km). Allow 1 hour plus stops.

Starting Point

Bus 19b Chalfont Court Asda stop (next to the car park entrance) or

- 21 Chatton Close Asda stop and walk 200m along Rushey Way to the roundabout at its junction with Chalfont Way Point (2) of the walk.
- Car

Chalfont Courts Car Park, Chalfont Way, Earley RG6 5HQ (adjacent Suttons Bowls Club). OS Grid Ref: SU 7413 7000. w3w: ///levels.tricky.price

Refreshments

McDonalds, The Square, Lower Earley.

Route Instructions (See map below for numbered points)



From the 19b bus stop on Chalfont Way, walk down the right-hand pavement towards the BP garage. Cross carefully at the roundabout by the garage and continue down the right-hand pavement to the roundabout at the junction of Chalfont Way and Rushey Way. This is point **(2)** below.

(Alternative Starting/Finish Points. From Chalfont Court Car Park, pass under yellow barrier and turn right to reach the 19b bus stop. From 21 Chatton Close bus stop, walk to roundabout at the junction of Chalfont Way and Rushey Way, and join the walk at point (2).)



Continue straight ahead and carfefully cross Rushey Way, then walk forward a few more paces before turning right down a wide, tree-lined, tarmac path Follow this path, ignoring side turnings on your left, to the junction with Beeston Way. This is point **(3)** below.



Take the right-hand fork and continue past two manhole covers to a 11 junction by a bench and a prominent brick manhole cover. This is point (12) below. Turn sharp left at this junction, to follow short stretch of public footpath 12 that climbs three steps between houses to reach Wilsford Close. This is point (13) below. Turn right and walk along right-hand pavement of the Close, past a side-13 turn on your right, to reach the junction of Wilsford Close and Ryhill Way This is point (14) below. Turn left along the left-hand pavement of Ryhill Way. Continue on this 14 pavement for around 500 metres, passing Woodsend Close on your right and crossing Melksham Close on your left. Eventually reach metal railings, with a tarmac path turning off left. This is point (15) below. Turn left and follow the tarmac path as it curves uphill, ignoring path 15 turning off left, to reach a path junction by a small, grassed area. This is point (16) below. Turn left at the junction and follow the path to its junction with Rushey 16 Way. Cross Rushey Way via the crossing point slightly to you right, then turn left along the pavement for a short distance to tarmac path heading right. This is point (17) below. Take the tarmac path to the right, and follow it, maintaining the same 17 direction across the end of a cul-de-sac, to enter a narrow tarmac path between bushes on left and a house on right. This path leads you to a junction by a litter bin. This is point (18) below.



Bear right at the junction and follow tarmac pedestrian/cycle track to a Y-shaped junction just before metal barriers where the track meets Chalfont Way. This is point **(19)** below.



Bear right at the fork, and right again at a black and white bollard, to follow the right-hand pavement of Chalfont Way and return to the start of the walk.

