



Twyford

2 circular walks

- 1 7kms/4 miles
- 2 4kms/2 miles




seen as humps and hollows in the field on your right. Only church and Hall remain but these cannot be seen from this road. There was a thriving pottery here in the 1840's and 50's, which also included brick and tile manufacture. Many fine enamelled and painted vases were made of the "Lowesby Terra Cotta"

2 Turn left at the corner of Marefield Lane onto the bridleway and continue the walk across large fields where hedge boundaries have been removed. The route now turns left onto a footpath leaving a bridleway to continue towards farm building. There are good views of the viaduct from here.

3 Cross another large field passing farm buildings to reach a track. After a few yards leave the track, go over a stile on your left for Burrough Road into Twyford to complete the circular walk.

The routes are clearly marked with bold, yellow topped waymarker posts and waymarker discs with the Parish Walks symbol.



Walking - Be fit and well

Walking is a form of exercise that is suitable and enjoyable for all ages. It's a free and fun way for families and friends to get fit together. Just 30 minutes of brisk walking on a daily basis can benefit your health and quality of life.

useful information:

Refreshments: The Saddle, Twyford

Buses: Service 100 Melton Mowbray to Leicester (Mon-Sat). Please confirm with Traveline (0870 608 2 608) before you travel.

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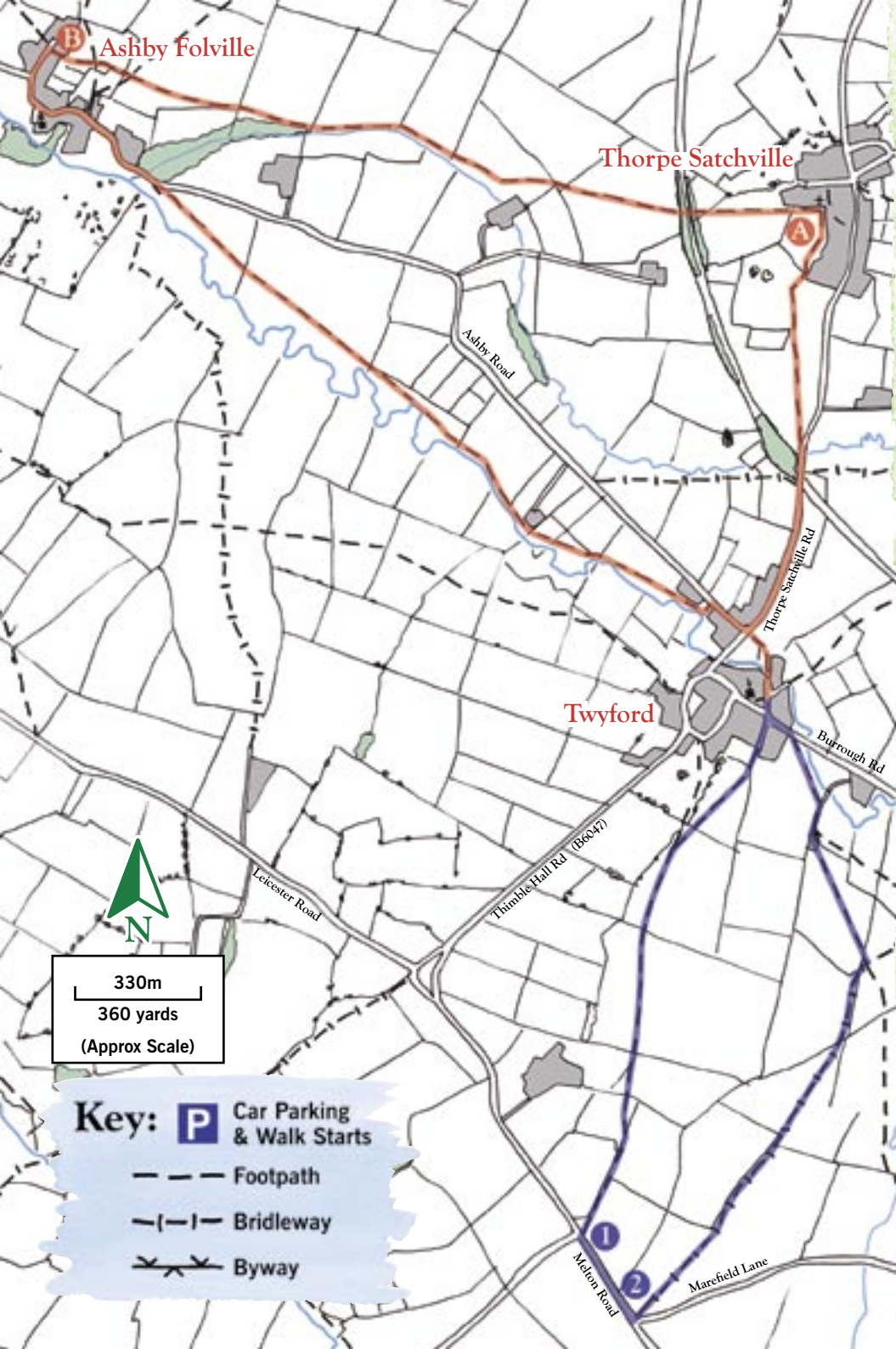
Your Parish or Local Community Group may wish to produce a walking leaflet, please contact the Access Officer at County Hall for more information.

It is advisable to wear suitable footwear when walking. Stout shoes or walking boots are recommended. Some stretches of the route follow minor country roads. Beware of traffic approaching from both directions. If possible stay on the verge, if not walk in single file on the right hand side of the road. Enjoy the walks, whilst observing the Countryside Code.

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The information in this leaflet is available in other formats on request.





Twyford is a small village located 7 miles south of Melton Mowbray along the B6047. It is one of several bearing this name, and was recorded in the Domesday Book as "Tuivorde" because it had two fords over the brook that runs through the village

The outstanding feature is St. Andrew's Church, built by masons who worked on the Castle Hall at Oakham.

Walk 1:

**approx. 7km (4miles),
allow 2 hours,
undulating countryside
and alongside
Gaddesby Brook.**

Take Thorpe Satchville Road (*busy road – walk with care*),

to cross the line of the former Great Northern and London North-Western Joint Railway, now disused. Turn left onto a footpath crossing the fields for Thorpe Satchville. Notice the ridge and furrow as you walk towards the corner of St. Michael's Churchyard.

The Church is mainly of ironstone with a Swithland Slate roof. The village itself has been a well-known centre for hunting for several generations with a noted fox-cover situated to the north of Thorpe Trussells.

A Turn left and cross the field to meet the disused railway again. Go under the arch and follow the waymarked route. Aim for the pylon in the distance. After passing the pylon, head for the telegraph pole with its waymarked post. Continue straight on until you reach the road at Ashby Folville. Turn left into the village.

Ashby Folville is a small community with a population of about 130. Surrounded by trees, it is a very attractive village.

B At the T-junction turn left into Folville Street, and continue through the village. As you leave the village take the footpath on the right. Follow the yellow waymarkers through the fields parallel with Gaddesby Brook to Twyford. Once at the road, walk to the T-junction and go straight across to the footpath and return to the start point.

Walk 2: 4km (2 miles), allow 1 hour

Take the signposted footpath out of Lowesby Lane opposite Church Lane and follow the waymarked route that slowly rises across undulating pasture as you go towards Lowesby. You will see on your left the 14 arched viaduct built in 1879, now disused.

1 At the Melton Road turn left. This is a busy road and care should be taken.

Lowesby village was depopulated by 1487 and enclosed for cattle and sheep pasture. Some outlines of the village can still be

