

Alcester to Oversley and Exhall.

Walk No. 50

Re-walked 5th June 2018

(Only 3, well-made stiles needed climbing)

Distance: 4.26 miles

Map: OS Explorer 205

Starting Point: Stratford Road, Oversley Green – roadside parking LHS GR: 097571

Walk ahead to join main road and continue along verge on RHS past entrance to football ground. Turn right onto waymarked path keeping to left of pitch. Go through Kissing Gate (KG) and turn left onto track across field.

Go through metal gate and follow cart track uphill, with pond on right, to reach a gate and a stile. Carry on through two more gates/stiles to a lane. Turn right and go under the road bridge.

Bear left and climb a stile, following a waymarked track with wood on right.

Where track splits, keep ahead along the track.

Go through a gate and keep ahead with a hedge on the left.

Go through another gate with the hedge on the right.

Go through two more gates and a farmyard to reach the road.

Turn right, towards Exhall village. Locate KG on left between *Orchard Rise* and *Blossomfields*. Walk behind gardens to a metal gate. Turn right beside church to end of lane. Turn right and quickly left up waymarked track beyond the Village Notice Board and walk into cricket ground.

Keep behind practice nets to KG. Climb hill beside right hand hedge to climb stile on the right.

Continue up hill to the left to reach another stile.

Go ahead over field with hedge on right hand side. Follow track up, then down.

At corner of wood and junction of tracks, take wide track to left.

At a T junction below Oversley Castle, turn right through gate and follow track towards silos. Just past these follow the track right and down the hill.

Go through gate on left and cross over bypass by pedestrian bridge.

Follow lane to a T junction and turn right. At end of Mill Lane turn right to return to parking spaces.

Suggested lunch stop: Walk back to crossing place on main road from Alcester and walk through park. Turn right into Malt Mill Lane. Walk to end, turn left and walk along pavement to The Turk's Head.

