

Godstone Historical Walk

22nd September 2021

Our walk is based on the Bourne Society Godstone walk. I have reversed their walk to save the best and most interesting parts until last. It also makes a tiring uphill section to Tilbustowhill a pleasant downhill stroll.



The start and finish will be the White Hart Inn in Godstone. Passing Godstone Pond. Then heading south with gentle uphill slopes.

Looking back to the North Downs

The westerly section starts in Tilburstowhill Plantation and heads towards a fine Southerly viewpoint and time for a break.



After heading north and down Tilbustowhill we get to the historical bit. The ancient Eastbourne Road milestone can be seen before passing Leigh mill, Leigh Place, the old Stew Pond (Glebe Pond), St Mary's Almshouse and finally St. Nicholas Church

Warning – This walk contains many historical points of interest, and you may be subject to some short very interesting talks.

We are not a history group, but we never walk past the past.

Details

Leaders Gary and Brian

Date 22nd September

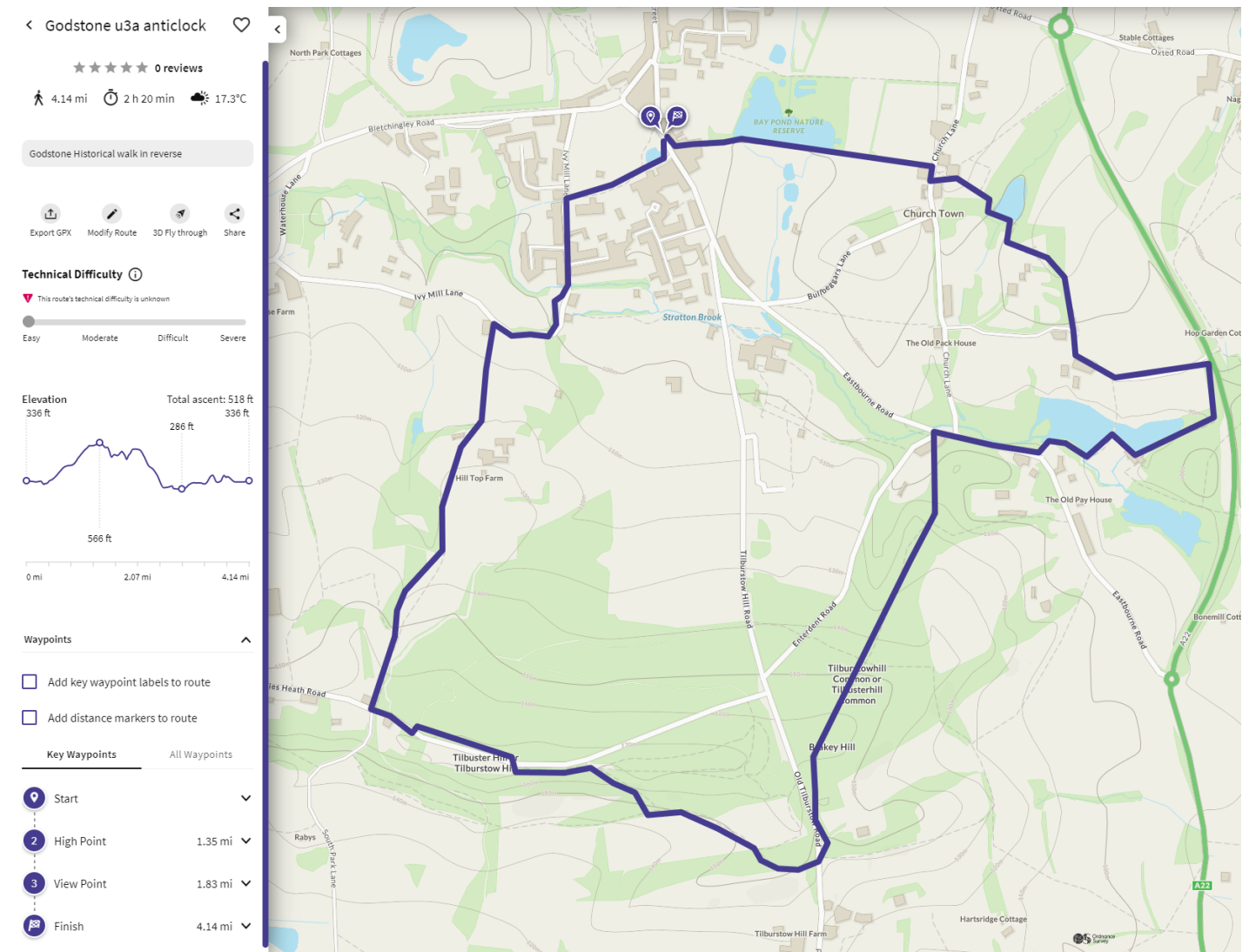
Distance 4.14 miles with a total ascent of 518feet.

O/S link <https://explore.osmaps.com/en/route/9892281/Godstone-u3a-anticlock>

MEET 10:00 for a 10:15 start.

Parking Use the pub car park if staying for lunch. However, we will meet in the public car park which is the starting point for the walk.

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Subject to minor changes

Can you answer the following?

Bay Pond was dug for what reason?

- A. As a village duck pond
- B. Hydro Electric scheme
- C. Gunpowder production

In the 16th century Leigh Mill was used for what purpose?

- A. Corn Mill
- B. Cotton mill
- C. Gunpowder production

Who lived in Leigh Place?

- A. Winston Churchill
- B. The Rolling Stones
- C. The Evelyn Family

The Evelyn Family where famous for what?

- A. Flour production.
- B. Running a Gin Mill.
- C. Gunpowder production.

For the answers
C 4 yourself on our September walk