

## **konect** bus

## Walk 11: East Tuddenham and Mattishall - 81/2 miles, allow 31/2 hours

## The walk can be shortened to 6½ miles (2¾ hours)



## Before starting this walk, please read the general leaflet

This walk starts from the town centre, using Konect service 4 from outside Barclays Bank in the Market Place. To use the shortened route, alight at Mattishall church and walk a short way ahead to find a narrow path on the left between brick walls at 3 below.

Leave the bus at East Tuddenham. Cross the road and go down Common Road. Continue for ½ mile and turn right along a path (East Tuddenham Footpath 13) just before Brackenwood House (this path has recently been diverted a little north of the route down the drive shown on

older OS maps). Follow the path past the house and into the field beyond. Join and follow the field edge until the hedge ends, then turn left for about 70 metres. Turn right to descend across the field and join the track to the right of the woodland; this path is **Runhall Footpath 18**. Follow this track (Six Acre Lane) to Church Lane.



2 Cross the lane on to **Runhall Footpath 1**. This path continues for ¼ mile, crossing the field by a short dog's leg, to cross the parish boundary (becoming **Mattishall Footpath 9**) and enter a small piece of woodland. Out of the trees, turn right then left to continue to a path junction: go



through the hedge on to a grassy track and running between fencing to join a track which goes on to New Lane. Cross the lane and continue on **Mattishall Footpath 11** across the field (aim a little to the left of the church), then over a stile, along the field edge, and over a second stile to a path along the side of the house, and out to Mill Street. Cross the road and turn right to reach the church. Using the *cul-de-sac* (for vehicles) to the left of the church, walk to and cross Dereham Road to the right of the Old Vicarage.

The enlarged map will be useful here. Walk up Mattishall Footpath 6 between brick walls, and at the end, turn left along Camping Close and right on to All Saints Walk. Take the second left on to Geddes Way and walk through to Back Lane. Go ahead down Tithe Barn Close (Mattishall

Footpath 7) and turn left along Cross Keys Way, turning left again where the road swings to the right. Take the footpath on the right at the end, which leads on to Stoney End, then turn left at the end on to Occupation Road (Unclassified Road 35002). Where this ends, turn right up Mattishall Footpath 18 towards Rookery Farm. Follow the path to the left of the farmhouse and on to reach Mattishall Lane. Turn left and follow this road round to the right, then take the first left on to Clippings Green (though there is no road name sign). Follow this for ½ mile to West End, continuing ahead at the Give Way until the road swings to the right.

4 Continue ahead on Mattishall Footpath 1, a broad track. After about



⅓ mile, go round a gate, continuing ahead. A little further on, OS maps show the path as turning left then right across the field, but the walked path follows the field edge to a later left then right turn, joining a track to Stoneroad Farm and Stone Road. Turn right to follow the road for about ½ mile, taking care of the traffic along this busy road. Cross the River Tud to enter Dereham and continue on Mattishall Road to a concrete track on the left,

**Footpath 26**. Turn left here, and after ¼ mile, turn up the second track on the right towards Willow Cottage Farm. Go left before the farm gate, then follow the track round to the right to join Cherry Lane.

5 Follow Cherry Lane, which becomes **Restricted Byway 38** ignoring a track on the left, to reach Cherry Tree Cottage, where it becomes Hall Lane

(still Restricted Byway 38). Continue ahead, then cross the bridge over the A47 (Restricted Byway 40) and turn left. Follow Restricted Byway 37 alongside the A47 until it turns right to meet Hall Lane (the surfaced road). Turn left here, then right along Greens Road, then shortly right again along the shared pedestrian and cycle track to Greenfields Road. Turn left



and walk to Norwich Road. Turn left and cross the level crossing and the next road. At the next traffic lights (at the Kings Head Hotel), turn right then left on to Georges Road (by St Nicholas Ironworks). Continue to the far end of the parking area, where a narrow alley leads out into the Market Place, and the walk ends.

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