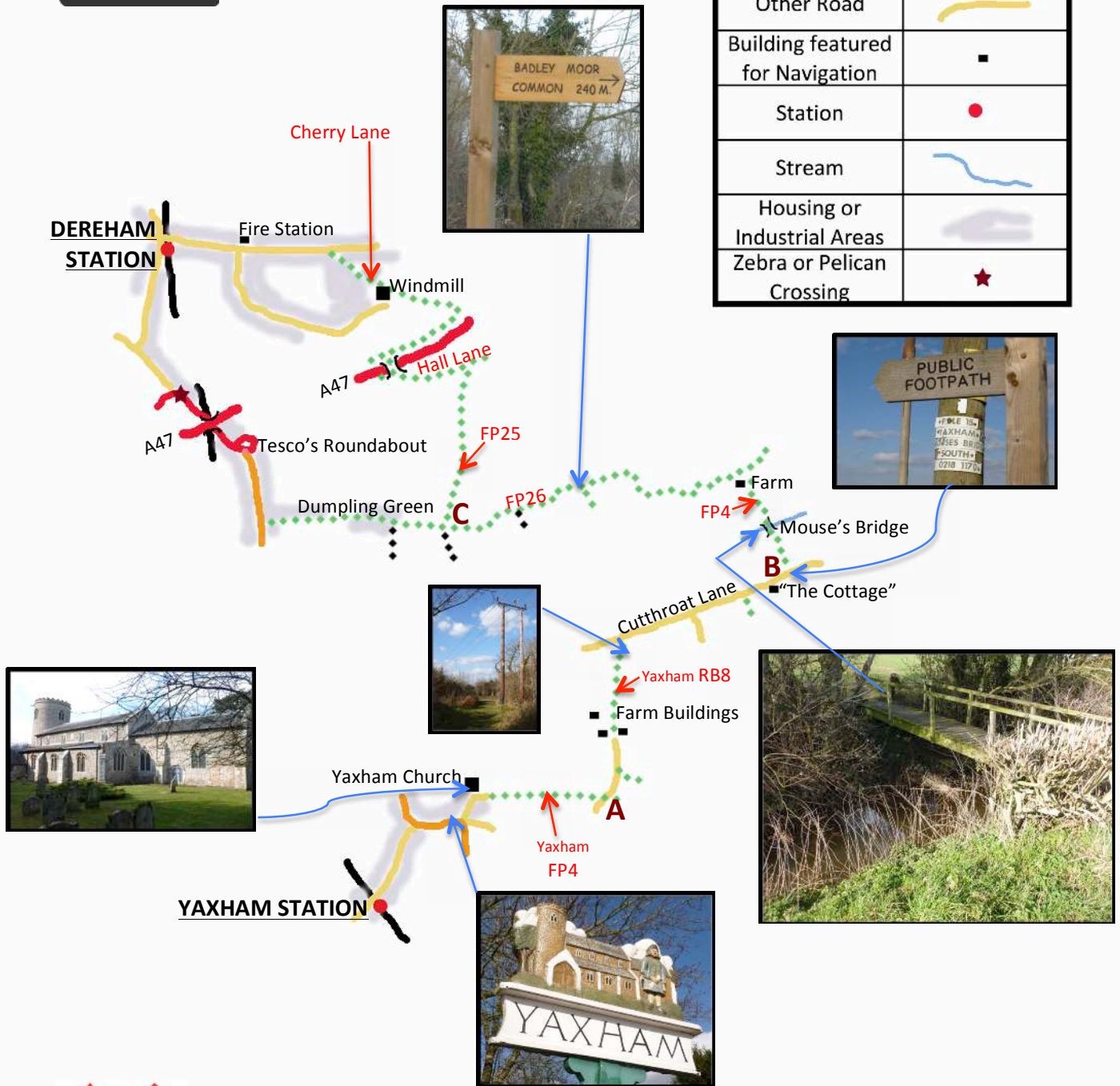


# Walk from the Train - from Yaxham Station back to Dereham



**Distance 5¼ miles  
Allow 2½ hours**

KEY	
Public Path or Track	
Other Track	
MNR Railway Line	
"A" Road	
"B" Road	
Other Road	
Building featured for Navigation	
Station	
Stream	
Housing or Industrial Areas	
Zebra or Pelican Crossing	



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You may take a train ride to Wymondham Abbey station and then alight at Yaxham on your return journey and walk back to Dereham Station. Alternatively, you may choose to use the train to get to the start of a linear walk back to Dereham. The walk is 5¼ miles in length and you should allow about 2½ hours to complete it. Please be aware that the car park at Dereham Station is locked shortly after the last train of the day returns to Dereham and the car park at Morrison's across the road operates a strict 3 hours only parking policy.

It is strongly recommended that you wear stout footwear when doing this walk. The tracks in the area around Point C can be very muddy, even in a dry summer.

Walk out of the station at Yaxham and turn right and walk down the road to the junction with the B1135 road. Continue ahead along the path, until you reach the bus shelter and then cross the road and continue heading in the same direction towards the Village sign. Turn left here towards the church. Here you may enter the churchyard and turn right and there is a gap in the wall at the end, which you can go through. Cross the road and enter the playing field opposite. Walk on the left side of the football field and then enter a meadow at the far corner (**Yaxham FP4**). Continue ahead to pass a house on your right and go across a plank footbridge and over two cross-field paths to the road. (**Point A**)



Turn left at the road and continue to the farm buildings. Leave the farm track as it bends towards the farmyard and head straight ahead into a green lane (**Yaxham RB8**). As you near the end of this lane, you will notice a distinctive double telegraph pole. Turn right at the road and continue on the road for about ½ mile, passing a brook at the side of the road and a house called "The Cottage", bearing the date 1852. You will then be at **Point B**, by a telegraph pole, which has a label including the words Mouse's Bridge. Turn left here and follow the line of telegraph poles across the field. At the end, turn left to find the footbridge and continue in your original direction across the field beyond (**FP4**). This path comes out by a concrete Hard Stand next to a farm on a wide track.

Turn left here (**FP26**) and continue along this track for almost a mile, passing a sign to Badley Moor Common and another track on the left. Then you come to a cross tracks at **Point C**. At this point, you may wish to make a route choice to go either via the Windmill or via Tesco's Roundabout to return to Dereham Station.

If you choose to return via the Windmill, turn right at Point C taking the track (**FP25**) through the trees. The track comes out at a field and you should follow the path along the left side of this field as far as the track ahead. Turn left at this track (**Hall Lane**) and continue to walk up the slope and turn right to go over the bridge over the A47. Turn right after the bridge and follow the track (**Cherry Lane**) round the edge of the fences to reach the Windmill. Cross the grassy area by the Windmill and turn right at the road opposite. Continue along this road to the main road at the end, near the Fire Station. Turn left here and continue to the level crossing and traffic lights. Turn left here to get back to Dereham station.

If you opt to return via Tesco's Roundabout, continue straight ahead down a track, which eventually becomes lined by houses (Dumpling Green). At the B1335 road, you should cross to the thatched cottage ahead and this building is the old Jolly Farmers Pub. Turn right here and continue along the pavement passing the Greenstone Pub and McDonalds. Cross the railway again and continue to pass Roy's store. Cross the road to the Railway Tavern at the pelican crossing, and then continue in the same direction as before to the mini roundabout junction, where you turn right into Station Road to return to the station.