

Update: October 2009

Note re Walk 17: After rejoining the flood bank at the electric pylon and "continuing to the next gate" the route instructs to turn half inland to reach two farm gates and take the right hand gate. There are a multitude of gates in this field and the gate needed is now a small metal kissing gate which is not visible from the flood bank. The instruction should be "turn half inland to cross field to way marked kissing gate in far left hand corner of field".



## Arlingham and Overton

### Start . . . The Red Lion, Arlingham

*This is a really lovely walk, fairly flat except for a short section climbing Barrow Hill, giving magnificent views of the River Severn.*

From the Red Lion turn left down Church Road, past the Church and Westend Farm then at the sharp right turn, continue forward through gateway to the River Severn flood bank, near electricity pylon. Turn left, cross fence and follow bank over 5 more fences to a field leading up to Smith's Wood. Turn inland along edge of field, cross foot bridge and when hedgeline bends, turn half left to stile on track. Follow path to 'V' stile in road. Cross road, go up drive to houses and over stile in hedge on left 10m from end of surfaced road. Turn right and follow field boundary to stile, over stile and continue forward along field boundary to farm track, turn left make for second stile in fence cross stile to stile in lane to right of white cottage. *At this point you may take an alternative and shorter route (1.5 miles) back to Arlingham waymarked A - B.*

Cross the lane and over stile with signpost to Fretherne and Saul, continue up the hill and across two further stiles. At the crest, near a large oak, a stile allows access to Barrow Hill view point. Return to footpath and turn right down hill, over stile and follow edge of wood to further stile in bottom left hand corner. Go left over stile and continue along lower edge of wood and over a stile into a field. Continue forward, across a further stile towards a brick building, passing Wick Court, cross driveway and through gate to left of oak tree and barn, through orchard, exiting via gate into Overton Lane. Turn right down the lane and at the bend turn left over stile (Severn Way signpost) and then, with great care, proceed along River Bank and woodland track to stile into field. Follow lower edge of field to footbridge and stile, cross and aim for electric pylon to re-join flood bank. Continue to next gate.

*We advise that the relevant OS Pathfinder Map be used in conjunction with this leaflet*

Although every attempt has been made to ensure that the information contained within this leaflet is correct at the time of printing, the District Council cannot be held responsible for any discrepancies.

*At this point the pink and grey garden cliff can be seen down stream on the opposite river bank. Turn half left inland and proceed across field to reach two farm gates. Take the right hand gate, cross field and footbridge. With the hedge on your right proceed forward crossing three stiles to bring you through iron gate into Silver Street. Passing pond on left continue straight ahead for 200m then take first left into Friday Street and back to the centre of Arlingham.*

#### • **Places/Points of interest -**

Smith's Wood on top of Hock Cliff is a good place to find fossils(1)

Barrow Hill at some 200ft commands spectacular all round views (2)

Wick Court, now used as a school farm, is a 13th Century moated manor house. Notable past visitors have included Queen Elizabeth 1st and the Earl of Leicester (3)

#### • **Places to eat -**

Red Lion, Arlingham  
Old Passage, Arlingham  
(1 mile from Cross on river bank)

• There is no-off street parking available in the village, but parking may be possible at the Red Lion providing permission is first obtained from the landlord.

**Note -** The section of this walk which runs in conjunction with the Severn Way may at times be subjected to flooding, therefore minor deviations to this leaflet may sometimes be necessary.

**Follow arrows with yellow dot.  
Sometimes plastic arrows with black  
centre dot may be used.**