



## Local Walks from the Storrington and Sullington Community Partnership



### **Sullington Hill and Downsland Walk** **Length: Up to 3hrs, 11km 6-7 miles approximately.** **Can be very muddy in places. Walking boots are advised.**

You can start this at Sullington Warren where there is some on road parking. Alternatively the walk can start from Storrington library car park (3), but please check the parking restrictions on the board before you set off.

1. Park in the layby of Water Lane (heading out of Storrington). Continue along main road and cross over to turn right, taking the path through Sullington Warren. You can take a short detour up the short steep path (on your left) to enjoy the view through the trees out of the Warren.



2. Go through gap between post-fence into Woodpecker Lane. At the end of lane turn right. Turn left to walk down Thakeham Road, passing the Fire Station on your left. Take cycle path on the right, which leads to Waitrose car park. Follow the path beside the shops leading you safely across car park. Cross the road and take path. Take path leading across Mill Stream bridge with pond on your right.
3. Walk through Mill Stream (library) car park. At exit turn left, following North Street to reach the High St. Cross High St and into White Horse car park, then turn right into marked footpath through residential houses. Continuing up the public footpath turn left onto Browns Lane and continue until you reach a twitten (cut-through) on right just before No. 20. Pass allotments on right and continue along footpath, following the sign pointing across fields. Follow this path behind the houses. Take gate through to permissive access route and follow diagonal path across field. The South Downs are now straight ahead.
4. Climb over the stile and continue diagonally across field – keep heading for the far left corner. Here cross another stile into Chantry Lane, turn right up lane.
5. You will come to Waterfall cottage – aptly named with its roadside mini waterfall. Pass the cottage and continue walking up the lane. After passing the weir turn left directly after the miniature lake, to follow the track up through woodland. Through the gate continue along path heading up Downs. Keep on the grassy path, which becomes quite steep, and head through the gate. Why not stop here for a breather and look back to admire the views across Storrington. Keep following grassy path round to the right, which leads around the side of Sullington Hill.

6. Then head for the corner, where two fences meet and there is a footpath sign. From here head up to the summit, look ahead for the next footpath sign and join the chalky track, always keeping the barn on your right. Bear left after the gate, keeping the wire fence on your left. Walk along top of the ridge.
7. There are stunning views southwards to the sea and westerly to Chanctonbury Ring. Continue through gate and head straight across track, still with Chanctonbury Ring in the distance straight ahead of you. At the signpost turn left to head up track over hill. Follow this path, which plunges downhill and shortly bears right, keep on this track. The path, between wire fences, becomes quite chalky on the downhill stretch and can get muddy after rain.
8. On reaching the South Downs Way signpost take a sharp left and follow track. Join the rough surfaced lane to continue downhill. Keep on path and then take the track between cottages. Walk straight on at next South Downs way signpost. Then at the second signpost bear left along Public Bridleway, keeping the house on your right. Continue downhill heading towards the main road.
9. At the main road, turn right keeping on the footpath to shortly cross road and head straight past Bradbury Court into Georges Lane. Continue along this lane, bearing left at Warren Hill car park, to follow the road, which quickly curves round to the right.
10. Turn left to head along Sanctuary Lane. The village bus stop is very distinctive. (Photo below).



It's worth stopping to read the history inside the bus stop. Continue along Sanctuary Lane until reaching the crossroads. Here turn left still remaining on the lane. Watch out for the right turn into Badgers Holt estate. Take this and walk through the residential estate. Go through gate on the left into Sandgate Park, passing the pond on right. After pond take the path, which forks off to the left. Continue on this path through woods until reaching a gate. Turn left into the tarmac lane. At the main road turn right and you will shortly return to the starting point.