

## Sutton, Suffolk Walks

### **A walk via Wood Hall and Vale Farm – 3.4 miles**



This walk passes through very pleasant countryside including many old trees some in avenues, others in clumps.

Much of the outward section is on very quiet tarmac tracks but there's a wide verge if you prefer softer going underfoot.

After passing Wood Hall it crosses a couple of fields by streams which can be wet but they were still easily passable even after the wet winter of 2019/20.

The place names in the directions are taken from OS maps.

### **Directions**

Leave the Sutton Village Hall car park and turn left, cross the main road and take the foot path to the left of the garage - this leads you out onto a cross field path.

When you reach the tarmac drive turn left – this passes Sutton Hall and reaches a T junction at the group of houses at Sutton Street.

Turn left at the T junction and continue along a fine avenue of trees, past Wood Hall and on towards the main road (B1083).

Cross the road, go through the gate opposite and turn half left across the field – the signpost shows the direction.

Ahead you'll see a low bridge – head for this but you may have to detour slightly around a shallow depression which can be full of water.

Cross the bridge and turn left and cross the next stream over another bridge – continue with a fence and stream on your left.

Go through a gate and, almost immediately, veer right across the field passing a clump of old trees on your right – you are heading for the gate ahead.

Go through the gate and turn right onto the track.

This leads past Vale Farm and comes to a cross roads – turn left onto a bridleway.

Follow this past a footpath leading off to the right until you reach another footpath on the left – take this past an old crag pit (on your right) until you come to a path junction by a gate.

Turn right keeping the fence on your left. This field edge path leads you onto a broad bridleway in front of a pair of semi-detached houses.

Turn right and then, at the next house, turn left – there is a footpath marker.

Follow this path through a small copse and out alongside a field eventually coming out on another broad track opposite the buildings of Broxstead Farm.

Turn left onto this track and, after a left hand bend, turn right into Old Post Office Lane which leads back to the Village Hall.

