

# Doorstep Walks

## A Closer Look Guide

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### **The Three Domesday Villages Walk**

#### **Doorstep Walk 14 – Just the Words**

Some people may find the small print of the walks leaflets a little tricky to follow, or walk leaders may wish to have a handy, large print version of the walk to insert notes. We thought it would be useful to have a description only version of the walks to enable you to cut and paste, enlarge or remove text as you wish.

- 1 Start at Kiveton Bridge Railway Station and head for the road, just to your right is a pedestrian crossing, cross the road here and head left along the main street through Kiveton (see sidebar). Continue along the road until you reach Chestnut Avenue, head right down this road, passing Wales Comprehensive School, and stay on the road as it becomes a track, crosses a railway line and heads into open countryside.
- 2 This bridleway is known as Storth Lane, and it links Wales to Todwick, stay on this track which at first is enclosed between hedges and then crosses a broad field. Eventually you will reach the village of Todwick (see sidebar), turn right, passing Todwick Post Office (*a good alternative starting point – just head right here and follow the description*). At the T junction head right and cross the road by the pedestrian crossing, head right until you reach

Lindley's Croft, proceed left down here, and at the first corner head along Manor Drive.

- 3 Stay on this surfaced track as it heads between houses, eventually the track ends at open country. Head left along the footpath, staying on the path as it heads sharply right following the stone walled edge of a large field. You are now on Axle Lane. Axle Lane connects the villages of Todwick and South Anston, *and was possibly the old coaching road into Keeton (Kiveton) Hall (now demolished)* stay on this path right along the field headland.
- 4 You will eventually arrive at South Anston (see sidebar). At the main road head left down the B6059 to where it becomes West Street. Ignoring side roads you will eventually come to the square towered Methodist Church in the centre of the village where there are two pubs, you are halfway around the route and South Anston is a good place to stop if you wish. *(South Anston also makes a good alternative start point – facing the Methodist church and heading right up Sheffield Road).*
- 5 Head up Sheffield Road passing shops and two pubs and heading towards the tall spired church dedicated to St James. Just before the road junction take a short flight of steps situated on the right to access High Street. Head right here to rejoin the B6059. **Carefully cross the road** and head left to re-enter Axle Lane on the right. Soon the lane forks, take the left hand fork and follow the broad bridleway as it traverses across a large open field system.
- 6 This bridleway links South Anston to Kiveton, and is as long as Axle Lane, passing near a small private fishing pond on the way. Take care as you head through Kiveton Hall Farm and watch out for passing fisherman's vehicles along the way. **Carefully cross Kiveton Lane** and walk left past another small fishing pond. Follow the path across the field on your right and heads towards houses – follow this as it passes between buildings and reaches Kiveton Park. At the road turn right and head back into the village – you'll soon see Kiveton Bridge Railway Station once more.

*You can pick up the walk at any point on the way, just follow the waymarks and the description as a circuit, following the description as a circuit and picking up point 1 from point 6.*