

## Tupton walks

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## About this Guide

### Author and contributions

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#### Contributions

While creating this guide Alex Bradley helped to confirm the walks and ensure they conform with the map route. Further, to walk the route to develop the route description.

#### Using this guide:

**Start:** suggested start point and where the start point is on the map.

**Finish:** suggested finish point and where the finish point is on the map.

**Distance:** distance in kilometres (km), 1000metres to a km. 1Km = 0.6mile

**Time:** time estimated using Naismith walking rule. 1km = 20minutes (4kph)

**Accessibility:** this describes challenges and how accessible the route is.

#### Difficulty rating:

1 = easy navigation and mostly flat.

2 = moderate navigation, some challenge of navigation and path finding. Contains up hill sections. Having a compass would help.

3 = moderate to hard navigation, the path is not always clear. Route might move off the path (using compass bearing). Route contains steep uphill sections. Also, the route might have unforeseen dangers, such as mine shafts, near steep cliffs with loose rocks and other potential dangers.

**Description of route:** this contains a details description of the route; it would be possible to navigate the route solely using this description. It includes what you are going pass walk past and cardinal points (north, south, east and west).

**Ordinance survey Map:** please be aware the map may not be to scale. However, the map has been designed to fit an full page and therefore can be printed or used on a mobile device. The routes are plotted onto the map in a bright colour to ensure it stands out from the map background

## **Knowing your limits**

When using this guide, be aware of your surroundings and most importantly your limits. Some of the routes included in this guide may become very muddy and overgrown with vegetation. When starting a route, ensure to have essential health and safety equipment, along with suitable equipment for when the weather is not what you expect. Finally, ensure to tell someone where you are going and what time you are likely to be back (this may be more relevant for the difficulty rated 3 routes).

## **Recommended equipment**

1ltr Water bottle (filled with water)

Waterproof coat and trousers

Copy of the map and description

Small ruck sack

Mobile phone (fully charged)

Medication you will need

## **Environment and landowners**

While walking along these route, we ask you to respect the environment around you. Please follow Leave No Trace seven principles:

1. Plan Ahead and Prepare
2. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
3. Dispose of Waste Properly
4. Leave What You Find
5. Minimize Campfire Impacts
6. Respect Wildlife
7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors

Following these principles will ensure you leave footprints and take memories. Moreover, all the paths we walk on in the countryside are owned mainly by farmers or local authorities. It is important to respect livestock, gates and fences. As the landowner can easily close a footpath down. Landowners allowing members of the public to walk across their land is a privilege.

### **Clay Cross and Back**

**Start:** McColl's/Green lane

**Finish:** McColl's/Green lane

**Distance:** 4.2km

**Time:** 1 hours 30 minutes

**Accessibility:** some parts of the route maybe muddy and uneven.

#### **Description of route:**

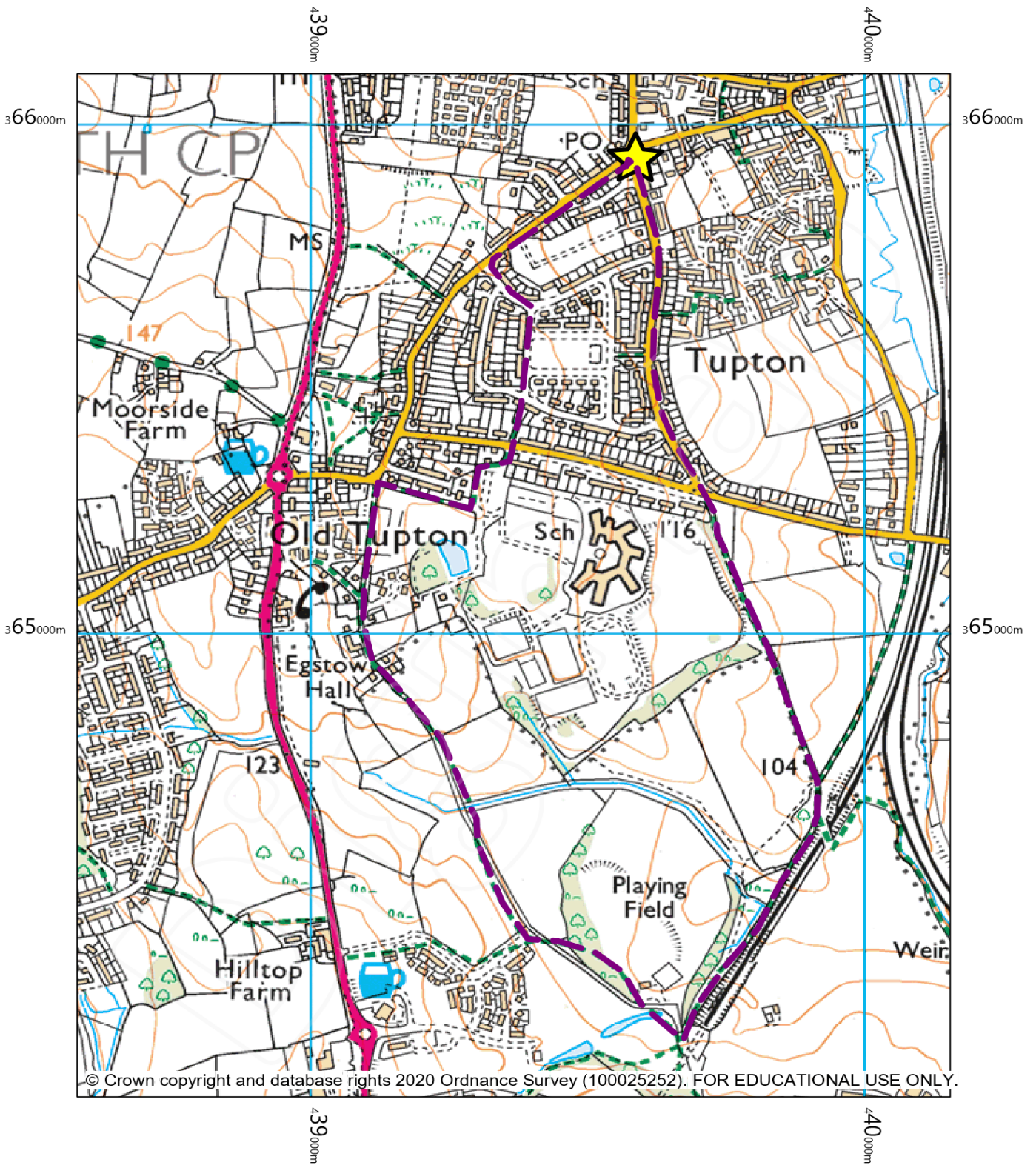
From the McColl's/green lane (yellow star on the map) walk south along wingfeild road until the end of the road. At the end of wingfeild road and directly across is a footpath leading into a wooded area.

Follow this footpath until a 90-degree right hand bend. Do not turn right, the path carries on straight along a field boundary. Follow the field boundary until the other side of the field. Continue straight, passing a path junction on the left. Follow the path along a metal security fence, of which, a railway line is on the other side. Continue along this footpath, past the big hole on the right and over a concrete water course. after an uphill section the exit to the path leads onto an open concreted area. (turning left will lead you into clay cross).

Turn right looking for a footpath heading North West with the playing fields on the right-hand side. The path is along the (new) housing development on the left side. Following this path will take you down into a valley and up the other side towards Tupton (parallel to the A61

main road). Furthermore, this path follows a corridor between fields. At the end of the path follow it straight until you see Nethermoor road.

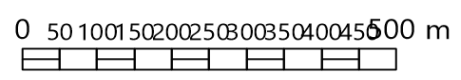
Turn right towards Tupton Hall school then across the car park towards the main car park entrance/exit. Cross station new road into the cut through towards sales avenue. Follow Sales avenue and turn left on Davenport road until your back on Nethermoor road. Turn right back down to where you started.



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## **Moorside Loop**

**Start:** 1<sup>st</sup> tupton Scout Hut/Methodist Church

**Finish:** 1<sup>st</sup> tupton Scout Hut/Methodist Church

**Distance:** 4.1km

**Time:** 2 hours 10minutes

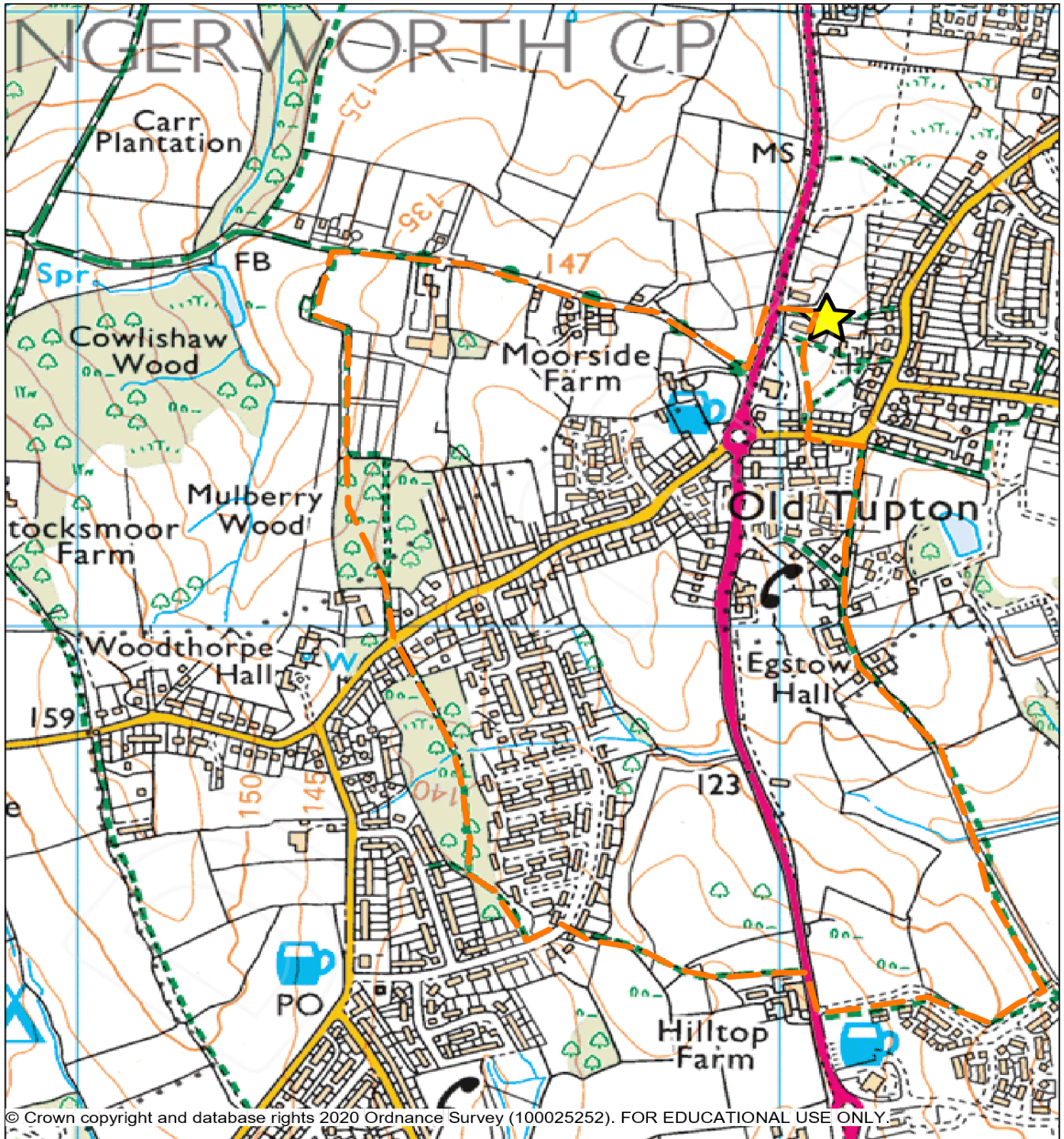
**Accessibility:** some parts of the route maybe very muddy and uneven.

### **Description of route:**

From the Methodist church head towards the A61. Cross the A61 (taking care), turn left then immediate right towards Moorside farm and martins lane. Continue on this single tract road until you see stables on the right hand side. Before entering the woods is a footpath on the left. Continue on the footpath (this may be very muddy and wet) following the path around some fields with horses in them.

The path leads to a wooded area, head through the wood (Mulberry wood) towards Ashover road. Cross the road towards another wood straight in front of you called Far Tupton Wood. Continue through until you reach Woodland Way (road). Turn left, on the right-hand side (roughly 50 metres) there is a footpath on the right. Turn onto this narrow path towards the field. Once on the field, follow the footpath signs east towards the A61 and past a farm on the right-hand side. Turn right on the A61 and then left down a footpath with the new housing developments on the right side of the path. Continue until you reach a path junction. Turn left towards Tupton, heading into a small valley.

Continue along this path until you reach Nethermoor road. Turn left towards the roundabout. On the right hand side of this road is a footpath leading towards the Methodist church/scout hut. Finished

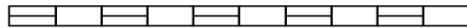


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## **The Avenue Loop**

**Start:** Tupton War Mamorial

**Finish:** Tupton War Mamorial

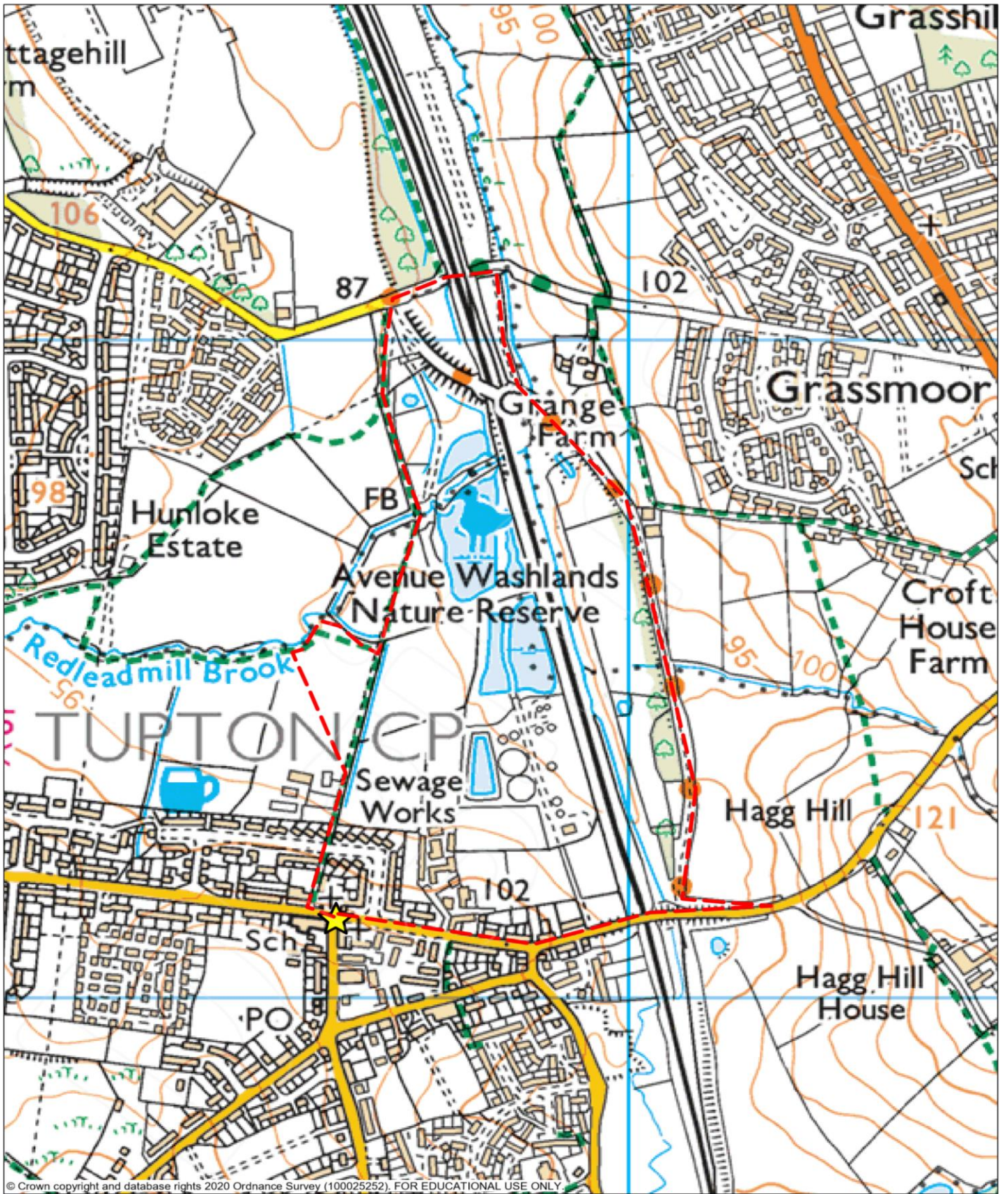
**Distance:** 3.1km

**Time:** 45 minutes

**Accessibility:** some parts of the route maybe very muddy and uneven.

### **Description of route:**

From the war memorial head east towards Grassmoor/Hagg Hill. After the railway bridge turn left on the Avenue. Follow the main path until you see a security fence blocking the way on a bridge. Turn right following the railway lines, with a farm/stables on your right. At the end of tis path turn left under an underpass. Walk along this path for 300metres. You will be able to see the other end of the blocked bridge. Take the second left turning towards the tupton Rugby club building. follow this footpath passing a nature reserve viewpoint and over a small wooden bridge. After the small wooden bridges, turn right towards the rec. (interesting note, there are two concrete sides to at tythe rec, years gone by, they used to create a temporary dam and flood a section of the river for swimming). From this point follow the path over the field, over North side back towards the war memorial.



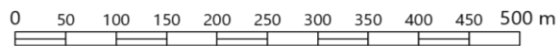
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## **Church Hill Loop**

**Start:** Hephthorne lane bridge/post box

**Finish:** Hephthorne lane bridge/post box

**Distance:** 2.3km

**Time:** 40 minutes

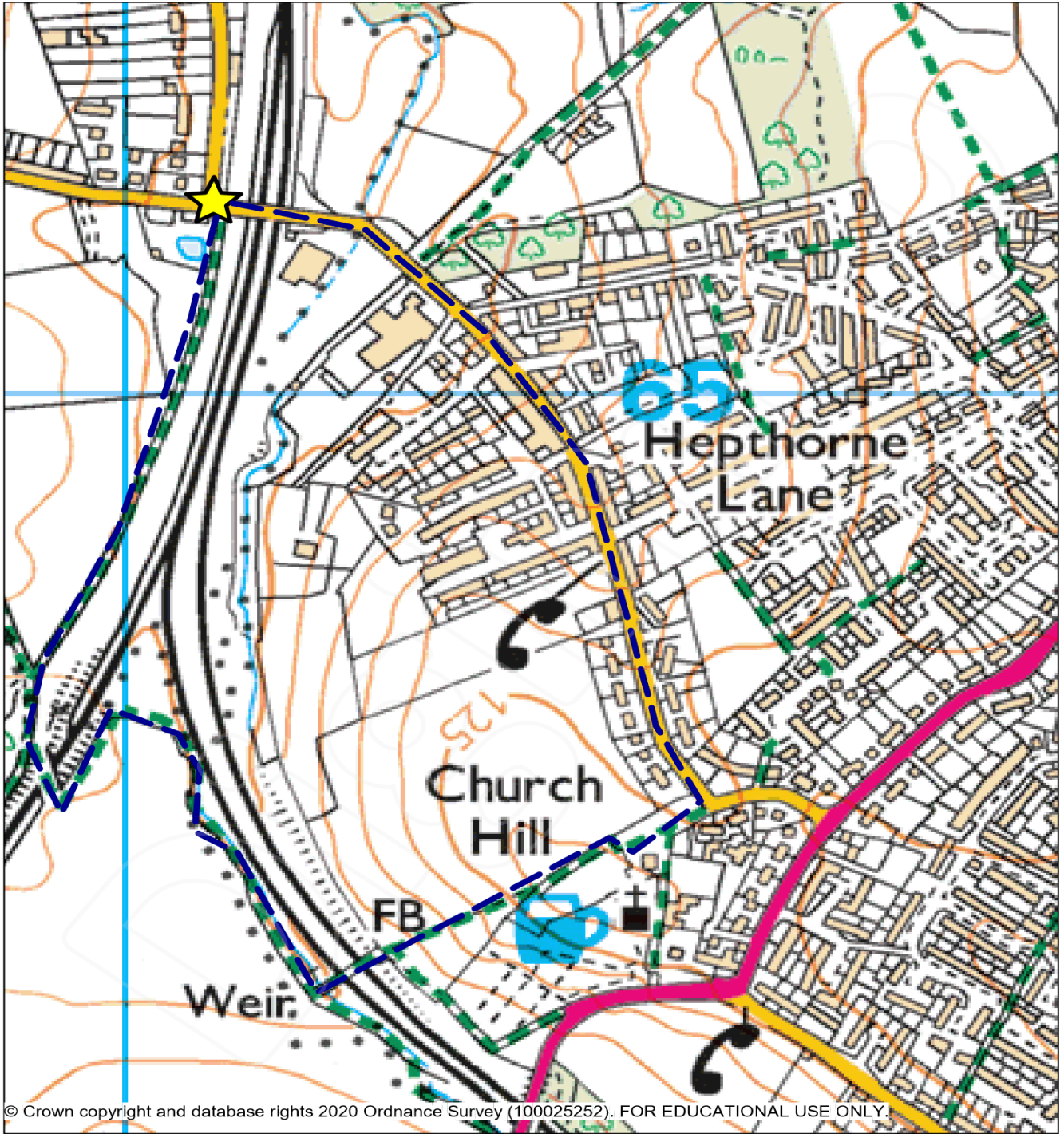
**Accessibility:** some parts of the route maybe very muddy and uneven.

### **Description of Route:**

From the end of Ankerbold road at the post box, cross the road onto a path heading south along the railway tracks. Continue along this until you hit a path junction and see a security fence. Follow the metal fence left (turning left) crossing a bridge.

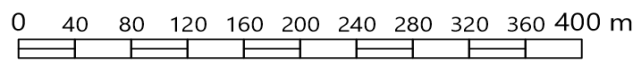
After the bridge follow the path left going slightly uphill. Follow the path (crossing a supply road) until you see a bridge and a footpath turning left. Cross the bridge onto a field. Follow the edge of the field boundary around a corner and head up the field onto the ridge.

A gap in the field boundary will present itself on the right-hand side. Move through the church yard onto Hephthorne lane. Head towards tupton (turning left) until you find yourself back at the post box and the bridge where you started.



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## **Bole Hill view**

**Start:** 1<sup>st</sup> tupton Scout Hut/Methodist Church

**Finish:** 1<sup>st</sup> tupton Scout Hut/Methodist Church

**Distance:** 6.6km

**Time:** 2 hours 12minutes

**Accessibility:** some parts of the route maybe very muddy and uneven.

### **Description of Route:**

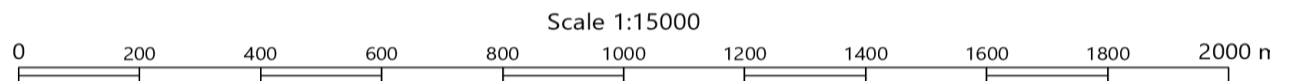
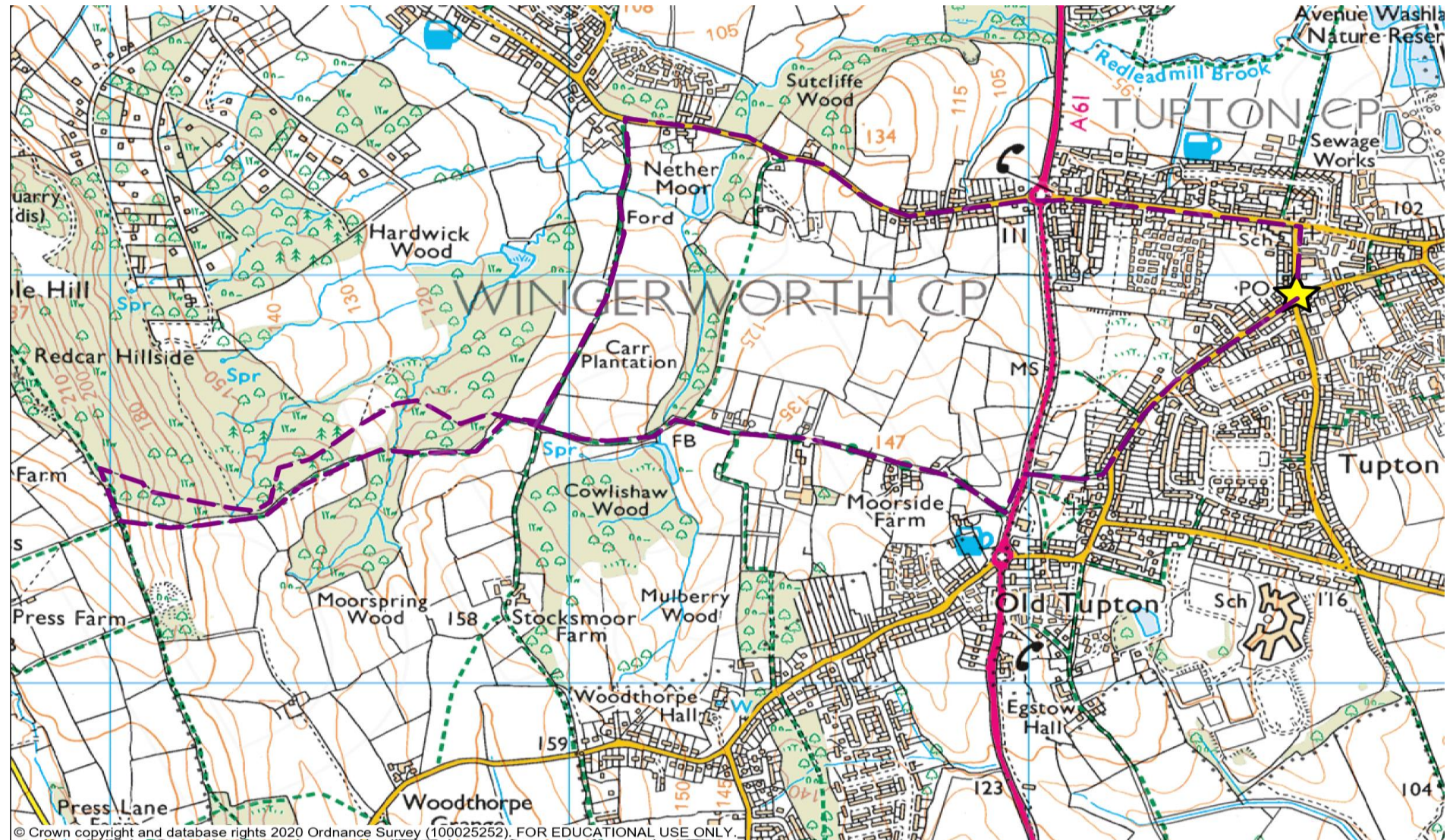
From the McColls shop, head towards the primary school along Green Lane. At the end turn left along Queen Victoria road. Once you're at the roundabout, cross the roundabout towards Wingerworth. Continue along this road until you cross a bridge and start to travel uphill into Wingerworth.

The footpath is on the left side of the road and continues around a house and follows a gravel track (across a ford) uphill. After about 500metres you will come to a four-way path junction. Turn right towards the main wooded area. Before you enter the woods, turn left through a stile onto the fields and a footpath which leads around the woods. Follow this path around the woods (hand railing the edge of the wood). You should cross a stream and cross three fields.

At the top of the last field is the Bole Hill view point. (from this point you should be able to see into Ashover Parish). Turn right into the woods, which goes through the wood you have been following. Once in the woods, find a path leading right back down the hill. This path will mirror the route up to the Bole hill view point. You will cross the stream and head down and up the valley. This path follows an east direction.

Eventually you will come to the four way path junction you passed earlier. This time head straight over the junction down a path, which can be very muddy at times towards martins lane. You will pass a field on your left and a small bridge. Continuing along the path you will go through a gate and pass some stables. Continue along the road passing buildings on your right until you come to the A61 main road. Cross the road heading up to the scout hut towards Nethermoor road. Once on the road turn left. Continue on this road until you come to the finish point which is the McColls shop.





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