

Location Map



Location Symbols

- Bus stop/Request stop
- Railway Station
- Walk Location

Essential Information

Distance:
4.5 miles/7 km

Walk grade:

2 A generally easy walk along country lanes and across fields with a few stiles

Maps:
OS Explorer 123
OS Landranger 199

Start/Finish:
The Blackboys Inn TQ 522203

Public Transport:
Trains: The closest station at Uckfield (3.5 miles from Blackboys) has a regular seven day service to London.

Parking:
Parking is available in Blackboys in the vicinity of the start of the walk.



Blackboys Walk



Paths to Prosperity

East Sussex is a welcome haven for walkers in the busy south-east of England, with over two thirds of the County covered by the High Weald and Sussex Downs Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

There is also a wealth of picturesque villages, country houses and parkland hidden within its rolling landscape, waiting to be discovered.

Please come and enjoy the unique splendours of our countryside, but please also support the local businesses that help make the countryside the vibrant place that it is today.

The Countryside Code

- Be Safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under close control
- Consider other people

Tourist Information Centre

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Refreshments and Local Services

(see map for location)

- 1 Blackboys Inn**
Public House and Restaurant -
01825 890283
- 2 Pure Plants**
Garden Centre - 01825 890858
- 3 T. W. Hopkins**
Butcher - 01825 890251
- 4 Country Fare - Village Shop**
Convenience Store - 01825 890238
- 5 High Brow**
Bed and Breakfast Accommodation - Back Lane, Cross-in-Hand, 01435 868406
- 6 Beggars Barn**
Bed and Breakfast Accommodation -
01825 890868
- 7 Rose's Pantry & Post Office**
Post Office and Convenience Store -
01825 890316
- 8 Honeys Green Caravan Park**
Touring and Static Caravan Site - Easons Green, Nr Uckfield, 01825 840701

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By phone on:-
01273 482250 / 482354 / 482324

By post at:-
Transport and Environment Department
County Hall
St. Anne's Crescent
Lewes BN7 1UE

By e-mail at:-
rightsofway@eastsussex.gov.uk

By downloading from the website at:-
www.eastsussex.gov.uk

If any problems are encountered on the walk please report them to the above contact points.

This route is based on one published by Power Publications in the book *Pub Walks in East Sussex*. If you enjoyed the walk and would like to explore further similar ones, the guide book can be purchased through local booksellers:-
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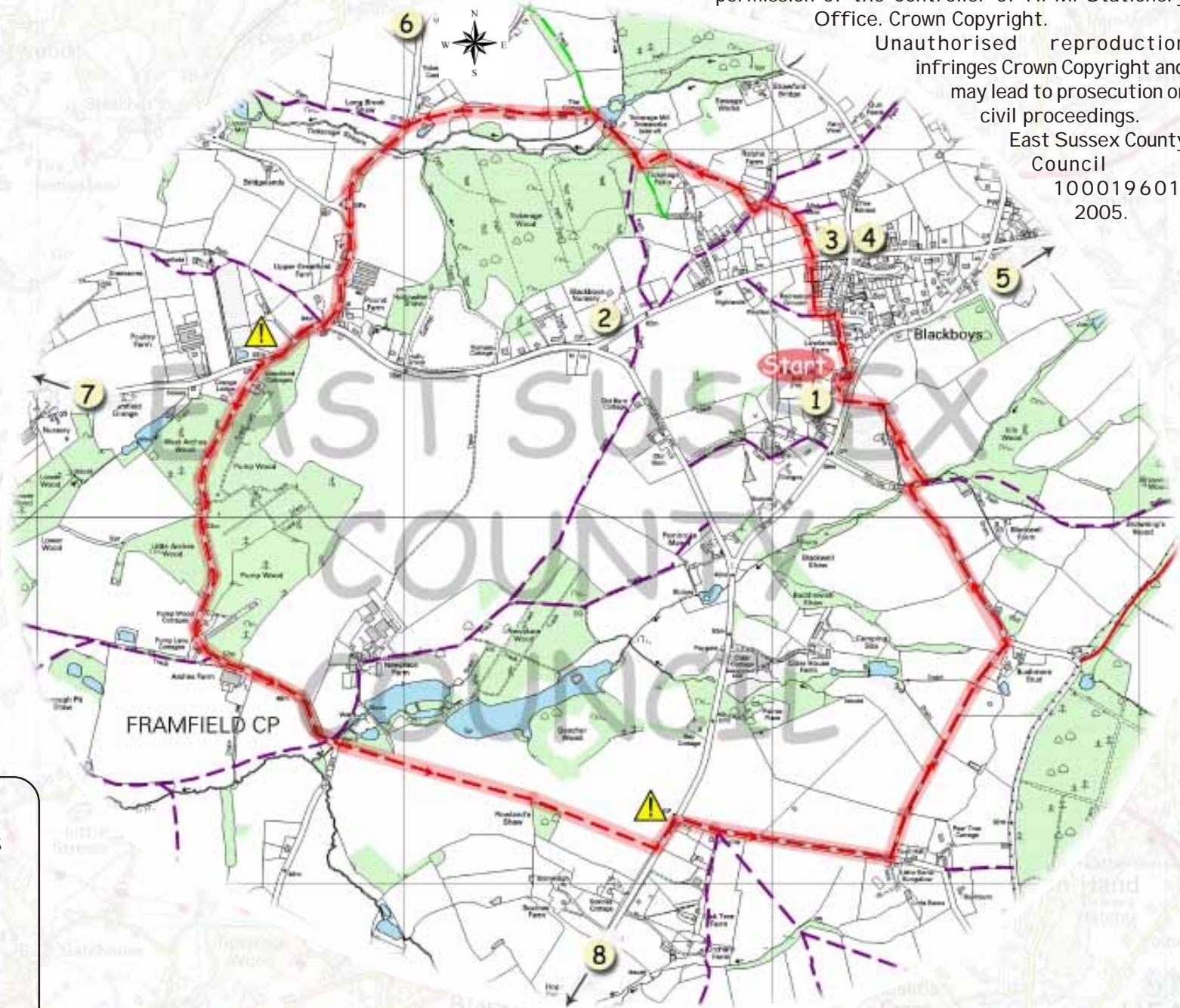
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A view along Pump Lane



Map Legend

-  Refreshments & Local Services (see over for details)
-  Beware of Traffic
-  Route
-  Other Public Footpaths
-  Other Public Bridleways
-  Road Used as a Public Path



Starting from the Blackboys Inn, turn left along School Lane. After approximately 180 metres (195 yds.), turn left along the narrow, surfaced footpath between the houses, leading to the recreation ground. Continue to follow the surfaced path along the edge of the recreation ground, and past the cottages to reach the High Street.

Cross the road and continue along the enclosed path signposted almost opposite. Follow the path through the allotments, bearing left at the signposted path junction, to reach a roughly surfaced lane. Turn left, and after a short distance, turn right at the signposted path junction, beside Rangers Cottage. Follow the wide enclosed path to the field, and continue along the field edge path, with the hedge and fence to your right. Bear left into the next field and follow the waymarked route downhill to a field gate and driveway. Turn right to follow the drive towards Tickerage Mill.

Tickerage Mill stands on a site previously occupied by a furnace and forge, part of the Sussex iron industry. The watermill appears to have come into use on this site by 1803, and was closed down by 1930. The main mill building is clearly visible from the footpath which passes the mill along the causeway.



Tickerage Mill

Follow the main drive through Tickerage Mill, passing the mill pond, and the mill buildings, before following the signposted route through the field gate, at the end of the drive. Turn left immediately after the gate to follow the route along the field edge path, with the hedge to your left. After crossing a small bridge, continue to follow the path along the edge of the next field, with the hedge now to your right. Follow the path across the next field, in the direction waymarked, to reach Pound Lane.

Turn left and follow the lane for approximately 650 metres (700 yds.) to reach the main Framfield to Blackboys road. Turn right to follow the B2102 to its next junction. Turn left into Pump Lane, signposted to Palehouse Common, taking great care when crossing the main road.

Follow Pump Lane for a distance of approximately $1\frac{1}{4}$ km ($\frac{3}{4}$ mile). After passing the main entrance to Newplace Farm, the road turns right, whilst a footpath continues straight ahead. Follow this signposted path into the field, and initially along the field edge, with woodland to your left. Continue across the field, heading slightly to the right of the cottage in the distance. Continue alongside the woodland shaw, and then cross the remainder of the field in the same direction to reach the main Lewes to Heathfield road. Turn left and follow the wide verge for a short distance before turning right into Bushbury Lane, taking care crossing this fast section of road.



Wild Boar Sculptures

Follow Bushbury Lane for approximately 600 metres (650 yds.) before turning left onto the signposted path opposite Little Barns. Cross the stile and follow the wide, enclosed grass path. On reaching Hollow Lane, at the far end of the enclosed path, turn left and follow for approximately 500 metres (550 yds.)

Just before the road crosses a stream, turn right onto the signposted footpath leading into Kiln Wood, a Woodland Trust property with open access. After a short distance, turn left at the footpath junction, to follow the route across a small bridge and up a flight of steps. Continue along the path ahead, following the line of the power cables. Turn right at the next junction of paths, and keep to the right, following the waymarked route, passing a clearing containing sculptures of wild boar. Turn left at the path junction in the corner of the woodland, and follow the path uphill to the main road. Cross the road to return to the Blackboys Inn, and the end of the walk.