

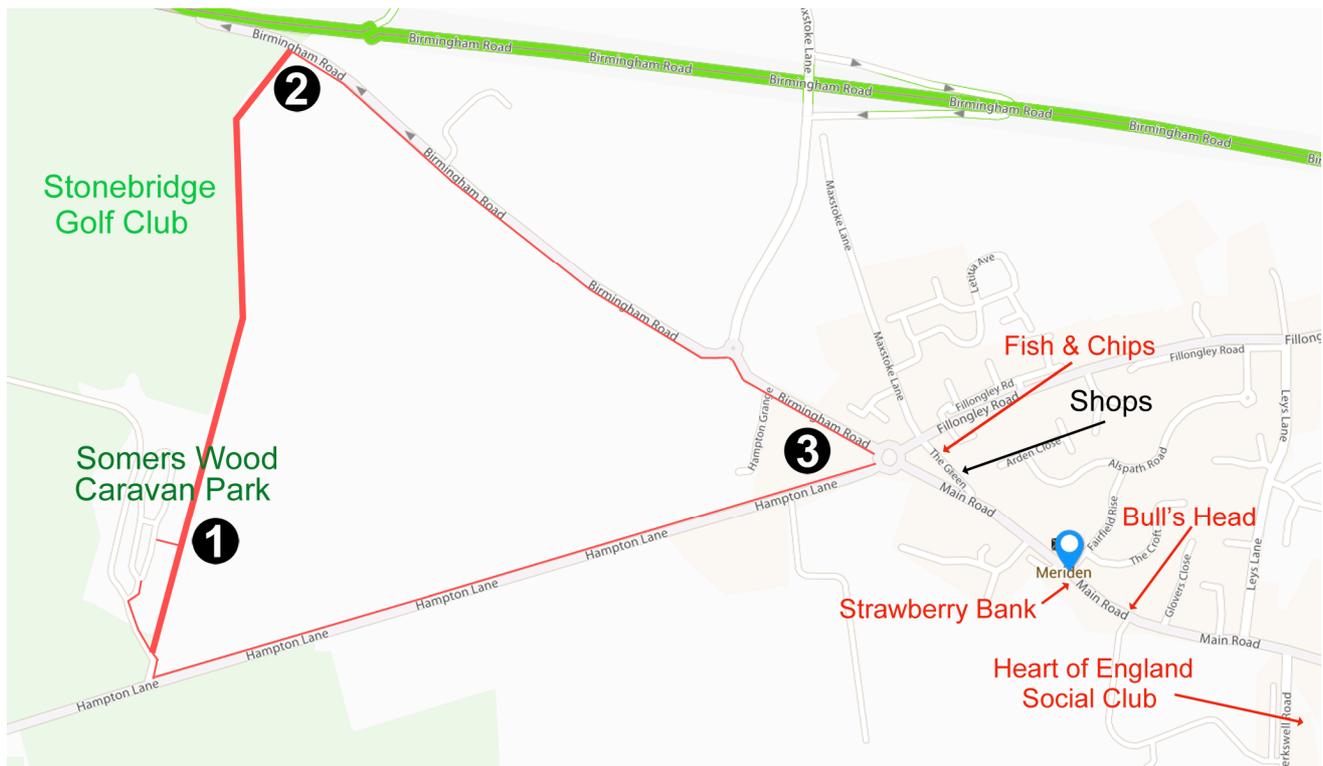


Walking Guide

Meriden Village

Walking to Meriden Village, Circular Walk (1)

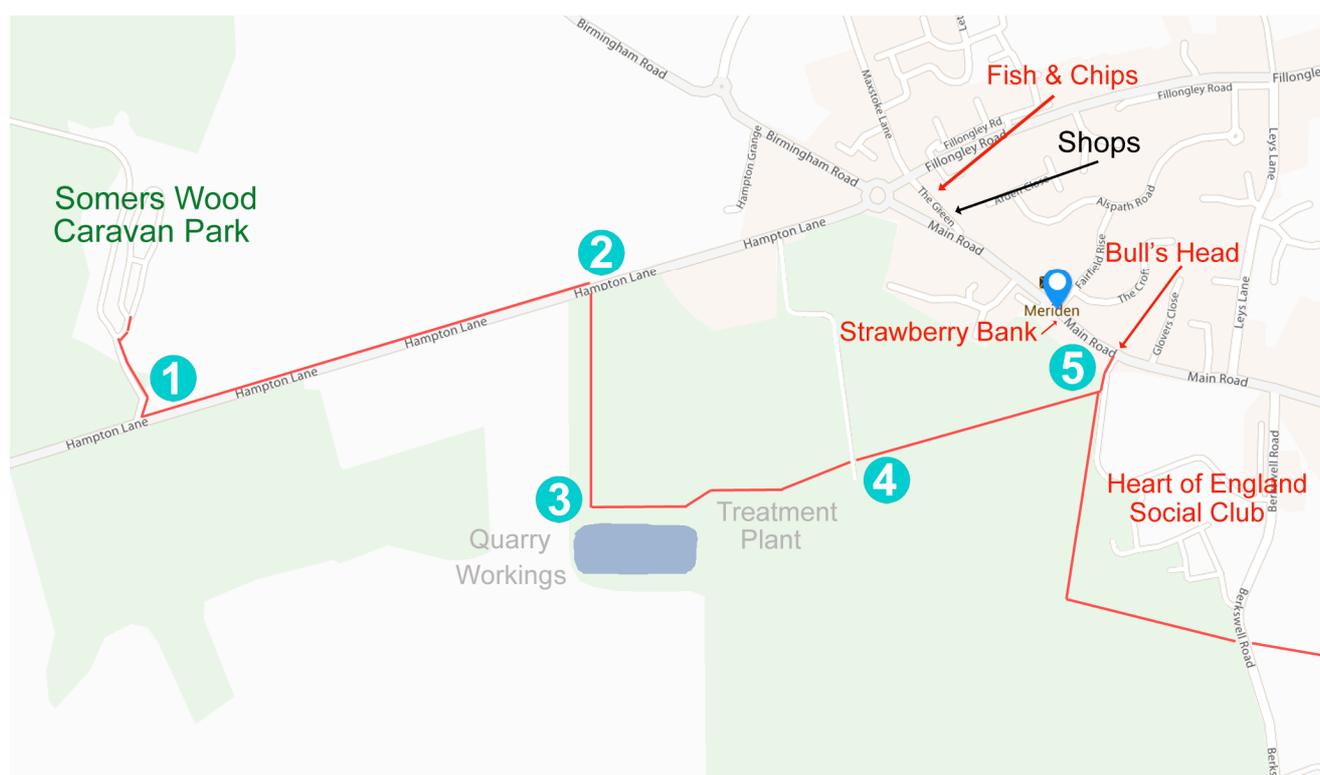
This circular walk is approximately 2 miles on level, tarmac pathways. There are no stiles.



1. Leave the park through the dog walk exit beside the information hut and turn left on to Somers Lane. Proceed approx. 0.5 mile beside the golf course until reaching Birmingham Road.
2. Turn right along the cycle path. Pass a small roundabout.
3. The next roundabout is the junction of Birmingham Road, Meriden Main Road and Hampton Lane. Underneath the large tree on the roundabout is a marker board for the centre of England.
 - Straight across is the village green. Meriden Fish and Chips, grocery, butchers, green grocers and pharmacy.
 - Further along Main Road is the Strawberry Bank Hotel Restaurant, The Bulls Head, Heart of England Social Club (open to non-members), Queens Head Inn and Meriden Spice Restaurant.
 - To complete the circular walk, return to the roundabout and turn left onto Hampton Lane. Cross to the right hand side of the road onto to the tarmac pathway.
 - Turn right into Somers Road in half a mile.

A Country Walk to Meriden Village (2)

This country walk is approximately 1.3 miles each way over a variety of pathways and fields. There are three metal public footpath gates but no stiles on this route.



1. Turn left out of Somers Wood Caravan Park to the main road and turn left along the tarmac path for 300yds.
2. Look for two wide metal gates with a sign 'Dog Hotel' on the right. Cross Hampton Lane and go through the footpath gate to the right of the gates. Follow the path straight down until the gravel works.
3. The original path is diverted at this point. Take the path left between the hedge and small pool, (which may be mostly concealed by reeds). In 100yds you will see the treatment plant fence. Bear left along the side of the treatment plant (it's not an unpleasant treatment plant).
4. You will reach a tarmac lane at the end of the treatment plant fence. Cross over and through the footpath gate on the far side. Now walk diagonally right heading toward the footpath gate at the bottom of this field.
5. If you are only intending to walk into the village, go through the footpath gate and along a short gravel path until you reach a tarmac lane with Meriden Hall Fishing Lake in front of you. Turn left and walk 50yds to The Bulls Head on Meriden Main Road. The village pond is to your right.

For a longer walk, or to connect with the Coventry Way or Heart of England Way footpaths, instead of going through the footpath gate (5), turn right at that point, walk around the perimeter of Meriden Hall and follow our **'Alspath & Beyond Walking Guide'**