

Distance	6 miles (9.5km)
Surface	25% hard, 75% soft - steps
Gradient	Slight
Toilets	North Walsham
Refreshment facilities	Pubs and cafés in North Walsham
Seating on route	No

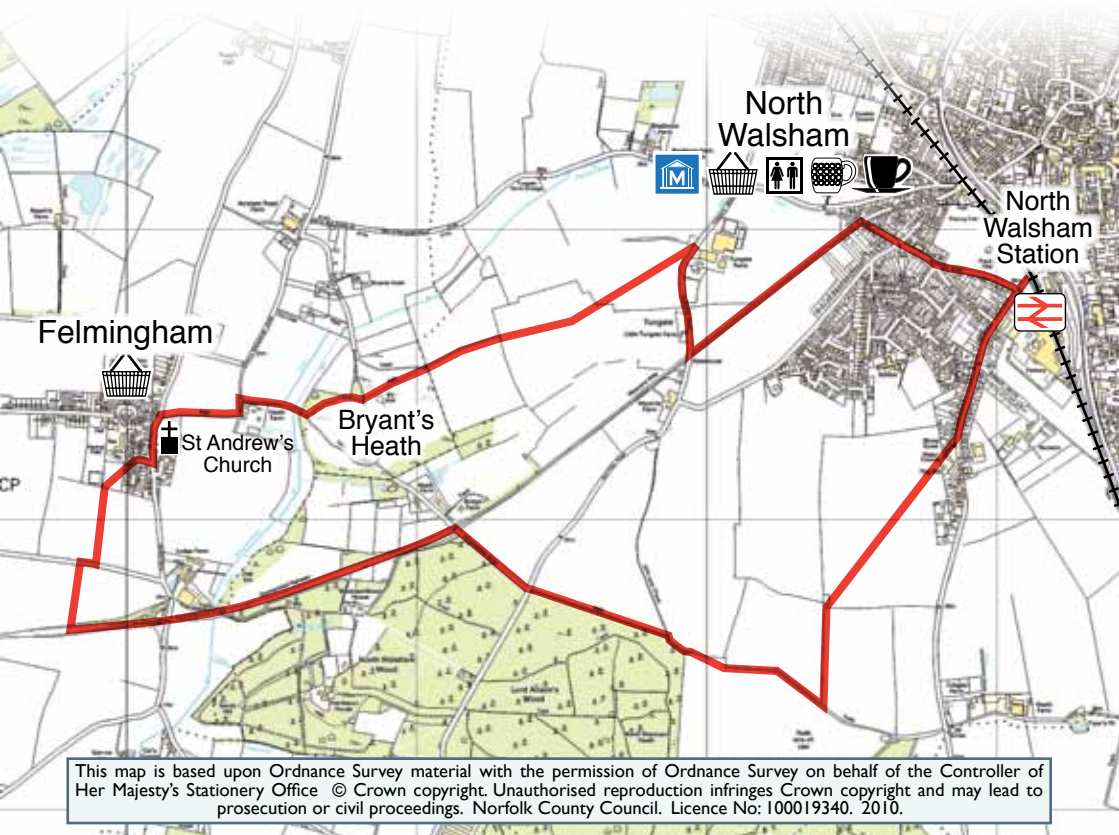
**Directions:**

- 1 Leave the station and turn left onto the main road, passing under the bridge. Continue straight on for 660m until you reach the two water towers. At this point you will find Stump Cross on the right hand side of the road.
- 2 Take the waymarked footpath to your right, which leads down a track for a short distance before opening out to cross a large field.
- 3 Continue along this path towards the corner of the field, where the path meets the field-edge and runs on the left hand side of a hedgerow.
- 4 Where the path joins a track, turn right and continue along this. The track will soon end but continue in the same direction, following the waymarked route along the field edge.
- 5 The path then follows the edge of Lord Anson's Wood, soon meeting a junction in the paths. Turn left here onto a woodland-edge footpath and continue until you reach the road.

*View of St Andrew's Church, Felmingham*



- 6 Cross straight over, heading down the no-through road towards an old railway bridge. Before passing under this, turn left up a flight of steps to join Weavers' Way, a disused railway line. Here, you can turn right for a shorter walk back to North Walsham (go to point 18).
- 7 To continue the walk, turn left and after crossing two bridges you will pass the former Felmingham railway station on your left.
- 8 Shortly after the station, the path joins Felmingham Cutting Local Nature Reserve.
- 9 Half way along the cutting, you will find two flights of steps, almost opposite each other, leading up the steep embankments. Take the flight on your right, which leads through a kissing gate at the top and across a field.





## *Woodland path*

- 10** When you reach the road, turn right and almost immediately left, onto another crossfield path, heading towards the corner of a hedge. Here the path turns diagonally right, crosses the field and heads towards a narrow path between the houses. Follow this until it reaches a quiet residential road.
- 11** Take a quick left then right heading towards the street. At the T-junction turn left towards the church.
- 12** Shortly after the church you will meet a busy junction at the centre of the village (care needed). Leading off to your right is a field-edge path. Follow this, pausing to look back at the church. From here you can see the evidence on the tower which suggests that the church once had a larger nave.
- 13** When you reach the end of the path, turn left onto a track and after 50m turn right onto another track which leads onto Bryant's Heath.
- 14** Just into the wooded area, take the left fork which goes over a series of rises. Continue on this route through the wood and after passing some paddocks away to your left, bear right.
- 15** As the path opens out into the heath, there is a large hollow on the right. Turn left here and after a short distance you will meet a track. Turn right and follow this track to the end of the heath, continuing slightly left along a field-edge path.
- 16** When the field-edge path ends, head across the two fields aiming for the leisure centre buildings, until you join the road.

- 17 Turn right and continue for 400m (be aware of traffic on this narrow road) until you again meet Weavers' Way. Turn left, through the gate and continue towards North Walsham.
- 18 As the path emerges onto Station Road, turn right, and at the mini roundabout take the first left.
- 19 At the T-junction, turn left, pass under the railway bridge and North Walsham station is on your right.



*Felmingham Station*

### Points of Interest:

- Stump Cross, which commemorates the Peasant's Revolt in 1381, which was a reaction to Poll tax being raised from 4d to one shilling per adult, equivalent of 2 weeks wages;
- Lord Ansons Wood, a coppiced, semi-natural woodland;
- Felmingham Cutting Local Nature Reserve, situated in the cutting of the former Midland and Great Northern railway line (which closed in 1959). The cutting provides an excellent habitat for butterflies and is owned and managed by Norfolk County Council;
- Weavers' Way long distance path (which runs between Cromer and Great Yarmouth);
- St Andrew's Church, Felmingham.