

Craft, Woodcarving and Art Experiences in the Surrey Hills

Unique Corporate Wellness Experiences

Relax, be surrounded by nature, learn something new

Beginner-friendly adult craft experiences including: Spoon carving, Basket weaving, Botanical art printing, Woodturning, Floristry, Wreath making and more...

Less than an hour from London



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UK Service Director at ADP UK

David Johnson



What is Joy Farms craft, woodcarving & Art Hub?

Here's a [2 minute video](#) showing:

- See the craft hub venue
 - On our 15 acre Surrey Hills Farm
 - 2,500 Sq ft Undercover craft building
 - Small copse & campfire
- A short interview with Adrian & Sarah Joy - About us & the craft business
- How it started & that students don't need to be arty to try crafts here.



Find the video on www.joyfarms.com Home.

Corporate Experiences at Joy Farms



Teambuilding & staff wellness with a difference!

Spend time crafting together, away from the stresses of the business world. We are happy to tailor an experience that's just right for your team.

We offer a number of sociable craft workshops, and the choice typically includes: Spoon carving, Basket weaving, botanical printing and more...

The small classes take place in the beautiful setting of our family farm nestled on the edge of Sheepleas nature reserve and at the foot of The Surrey Hills, an area of outstanding natural beauty. In [West Horsley](#), less than an hour from London.

The workspace is undercover in an open sided farm building (& weather dependant, some crafts like spoon carving can be around the open fire in a small adjacent copse).

For corporate teams with only a few hours available, we offer 1-2 hr taster activities & longer 3hr activities. Depending on the size of the team & time available, clients choose between 1 to 2 activities.



1-2 hr “Taster” activities

Short taster activities that will leave the team having tried something different, learning new skills whilst surrounded by nature



Mindful Whittling

Level suitability: Beginner

Benefits: mindfulness, connection to nature

Location: In the craft Hub under cover or by the fire (weather dependent) all year round

Requirements: Basic manual dexterity

Outcome: Learn knife work and wood grain techniques,

Group size: 1-8 per group



Mindful Phone-ography

Level suitability: Beginner

Benefits: Mental and Physical Wellbeing, connection to nature, a different perspective.

Location: Outdoor workshop, can be done all year round

Requirements: Need a phone/photography device

Outcome: Learn to look with new eyes, learn basic shooting options on your device & compelling composition.

Group size: up to 20 per instructor



Botanical and feather printing

Ink mono printing using foraged leaves and feathers

Level suitability: Beginner

Benefits: Physical & Mental wellbeing, connection to nature, creativity and inspiration.

Location: In the craft Hub under cover, can be done all year round

Requirements: Basic manual dexterity, no drawing required

Outcome: Multiple near photographic quality prints

Group size: 1-16 per group (per instructor)



Taster Willow weaving

Level suitability: Beginner

Benefits: Learn a new skill, mindful activity weaving

Location: In the craft Hub under cover, can be done all year round

Requirements: Basic manual dexterity

Outcome: A small trinket willow to take home.

Group size: 1-10 per group



Make a Nature Journal workshop

Learn how to setup & use a nature journal to record your experience in nature, includes a guided nature walk.

Level suitability: Beginner

Benefits: Physical & Mental well-being, connection with nature, Morale, Group activity.

Location: Outdoors (weather dependent)

Requirements: Basic manual dexterity, dry weather

Group size: up to 20 per instructor



Willow Bird Feeders

Level suitability: Beginner

Benefits: Learn a new skill, mindful activity weaving

Location: In the craft Hub under cover, can be done all year round Duration: 1.5-3hrs

Requirements: Basic manual dexterity

Outcome: Willow birdfeeders take home.

Group size: 1-10 per group

Half day - 3 hr activities

Our most popular workshops are our 3hr workshops, these enable the team get a proper experience of the craft.

Spoon carving introduction

Carve a spoon from a pre-prepared blank

Level suitability: Beginner

Benefits: Mindfulness, connection to nature, Learn a skill

Location: Under cover or by the fire

Requirements: Basic manual dexterity

Outcome: Learn knife work and wood grain techniques

Group size: 1-8 per group [max 8 people]



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Outcome: Multiple near photographic quality prints

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Basket weaving

Weave a basket (base pre-prepared)

Level suitability: Beginner

Benefits: Learn a new skill, mindful activity weaving

Location: In the craft Hub under cover, can be done all year round

Requirements: Basic manual dexterity

Outcome: A Willow basket to take home

Group size: 1-8 per group



Example Full day with multiple activities

9am to 4/5pm example day for 10-20 people (if 20 - split into 2 groups that swap after lunch)

Intro - Welcome Tea and coffee, (Optional - own wellness talk or group activity)

1.5hrs - Willow Bird feeder weaving

Weave bird feeder, great beginner taster to core basket weaving skills

Level suitability: Beginner

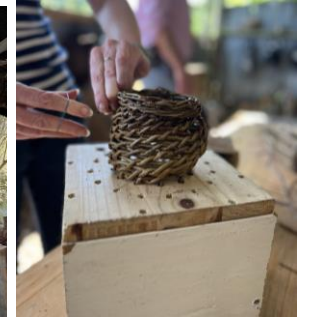
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Outcome: A Willow bird feeders to take home

Group size: 1-10 per group [max 10 people per instructor]



Tea & coffee break - locally roasted Chimney Fire Coffee

Lunch by the fire -

Optional - own wellness talk (run by your team) or group activity



1.5 hr forest Bathing or guided walk

Gentle walk into the ancient Sheepleas woodlands ([what is forest bathing](#))

Level suitability: Beginner

Benefits: Reduced stress, enhanced sleep, increased well-being

Location: In the woods, better in summer / Autums

Requirements: Basic able to walk 1-2km

Group size: 1-10 per group [max 10 people per instructor]



Note: Other crafts are also available as full day. Additional instructors/assistants can be arranged or group split and run in parallel.

Other things to do whilst you're here

- We back onto The Shepleas - 110 hectares of ancient woodland, chalk grassland and extraordinary wild-flower displays. The Shepleas are an Area of Outstanding Beauty (AONB), Local Nature Reserve (LNR), Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) – managed by [Surrey Wildlife Trust](#)
- For larger group, we often split into smaller groups. As well as crafts, we can introduce you to local walks & forest bathing or explore the area yourself.
- [Forest Bathing](#): 1-2 hours. Immerse your senses in the woods to connect with nature. We use mindfulness to tune our senses to the woods and take in the healing properties of trees. [Level suitability](#): All, requires Walking mobility. [Benefits](#): mindfulness, connection to nature. Location: In the Shepleas woods behind the farm. Outcome: Lower stress, improved sleep and wellbeing Group size: 1-10 per instructor. [See our Blog for info on what is Forest Bathing?](#)
- [Guided Walks](#) – 1-2 hours. We don't just take you on a walk. We combine best kept secrets, celebrating nature's seasonal changes, and invite you to switch off and immerse yourself into your senses on your walk. [Level suitability](#): All, requires Walking mobility. Group size: 1-10 per instructor. [See our blog for info about the Shepleas woodland.](#)



Case Study – Chimney Fire Coffee Ltd - Team of 6, 3hr Spoon Carving

"This was a perfect outing for our team. Everyone really enjoyed it & the relaxed ambience and setting provided some much needed downtime. I personally found I was able to completely clear my mind which is not always easy these days! The experience was also very inclusive, and Adrian was a brilliant tutor - we all went home with spoons, a nice memento of the day. An all-round fantastic experience - would recommend to any teams looking for fun, bonding & an escape to the countryside!" **Dan, CEO, Chimney Fire Coffee, Jun22**

Testimonials: "A 5 star experience, unique and relaxing. Joy Farm welcomed us for a fabulous team outing. Great atmosphere, fun and a good hands on experience into a new, relaxing and rewarding activity. I truly recommend it." **Elizabeth, Jun22**

"I honestly had such a fantastic time - thank you! It was a very therapeutic experience, being able to clear you head, while learning a new skill and ending up with a spoon at the end of it. The open fire and surrounding nature really made the experience special." **Row, Product Manager, Jun22**

Rating: 5 star Rating ★★★★★

[Read Chimney Fire's blog account of their Company Team day](#) or [Hear what others say about their experiences](#) at Joy Farms courses.



Case Study – ADP Team of 9, 3hr Spoon Carving

Corporate Client: ADP UK – Global Payroll & HR services. 124,125 employees.

Objective: Bring together a senior leadership team who are normally located across a number of regions and countries. Goal was to promote bonding, get them doing something out of the ordinary to prompt them to think differently and look at things in a new way.

Testimonials: “I highly recommend Joy Farms. We had an amazing afternoon of team building” **David Johnson, UK Service Director at ADP UK** – Global HR & Payroll solutions
“If you never imagined yourself saying what a fantastic experience spoon carving is, I highly recommend giving it a go as a great team builder. Our team are located across a number of regions and countries and it was amazing to come together in person as a team and do something out of the ordinary, tremendous fun! My spoon was the best incidentally.....” **Lee Sotheron, Head of Service, ADP UK** – Global HR & Payroll solutions

Rating: 5 star Rating ★★★★★



Case Study – Team of 10 all day

Corporate Client: Team of 10 Operations Department

Objective: Wellness day for the operations team that have been under extreme pressure recently with a reduced team and a number of high profile projects. The aim was for the team to spend the day thinking about their wellness and trying some new things that may inspire them to try new ways of relaxing. Also the aim was for the team to bond and share experiences.

Format of their day: 1/2hr wellness chat ((led by them), 2 hrs of willow Bird feeder weaving, Lunch by the fire, 1/2hr wellness chat ((led by them), 2 hr walk and led forest bathing session & Japanese Tea ceremony in the Sheepleas wood. This was an ambitious agenda and we'd recommending shortening some of the timings.

Testimonials: "Joy Farms is the perfect place for a team building day, we were looked after so well and every need was catered for. " **Laura** "It's a great way to spend time away from the ordinary and hectic. I loved the willow weaving and using all my different senses to experience the forest. I appreciated the time spent with my colleagues doing something completely different. It gave us all a chance to relax.."

100% 5 star rating: ★★★★★

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Laura, Team Wellness day, Jun 22
"Joy Farms is the perfect place for a team building day, we were looked after so well and every need was catered for. The open fire and surrounding nature really made the experience special. I would thoroughly recommend Joy Farms to anyone wanting to do a company away day."
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What is included in the experience



- Exclusive use of craft venue
- Hand sign written welcome Logo blackboard for social media photo opportunity
- Tea, Locally roasted Chimney Fire coffee, refreshments & biscuits. (Optional extra: Lunch)
- Craft activity tuition and all materials
- Some photography (not professional) for company to use/post on social. Shared after the event.
- Post event feedback survey
- Most of all, we hope a relaxing & fun experience for the whole team.
- Average prices £80-170+pp depending on duration, number of activities, number of people & type of craft/activities. [Enquire](#)

Please Note: Due to the nature of the location, we have limited accessibility & do not have disabled facilities.



Next Steps



- Contact us to discuss your preferred craft activity preferences
- Possible dates you're considering
- Size of group How many do you envisage will attend?
- Duration preferences e.g. full or half day

We can then tailor an experience that's just right for your team.

- Quotation based on preferences
- Shortlist dates / instructor availability for dates

Find out more www.joyfarms.co.uk

See recent photos on [Instagram](#) or [Facebook](#)



Final words... from some of our happy customers



Row, Chimney Fire Coffee, Jun 22

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Laura, Team Wellness day, Jun 22

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Jayne, Team Wellness day, Jun 22

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Jude, Surrey, May 22

★★★★★

"We made spoons from hunks of willow, as a fellow said from "log to lunch"... We want to go back to make spatulas. The other people on the course were each, like us, eager to learn and brimming with life's inspiration."



Elizabeth, Chimney Fire Coffee, Jun 22

★★★★★

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Laura, Kent, May 22

★★★★★

"This venue really is a special place, the owners have put their heart and soul into it. Set in the beautiful Surrey Hills in an open sided barn, it really is a peaceful and mindful experience. Great food and atmosphere where I spent the day learning about basket making. I will most definitely return."



Will, Oxshott, Jan 22

★★★★★

"I really enjoyed spending the day doing something different. I'd thoroughly recommend it. I had no prior axe or carving experience, so was delighted with the spoon I made. A great day, location and setup. Lovely mix of being in the workshop & outdoors by the fire. A relaxed environment & great way to learn something new. A fun experience, I look forward to trying more workshops."



Jane, Woking, July 22

★★★★★

"Highly recommend this delightful company; I had a peaceful morning of art in beautiful countryside, taught by the brilliant Ellie. Adrian and Sarah have a very welcoming, professionally run and inspiring set up. I did a morning of print making and would happily take any of their other courses."



Dan, Surrey, Jun 22

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Sandra, Woking, July 22

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"A very enjoyable morning learning and producing beautiful botanical prints in lovely natural surroundings at Joy Farm which truly enhanced the experience. Adrian and Sarah made us all very welcome and our instructor Ellie was excellent."

Contact Details Us

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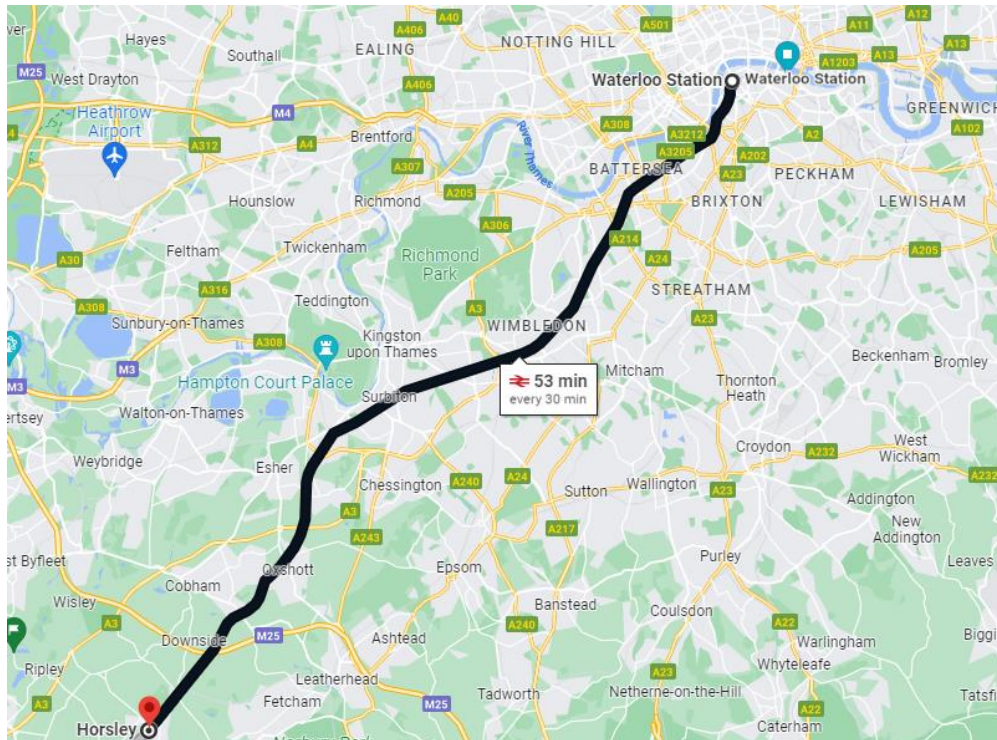
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[Terms and Conditions](#)

Appendix: Where we are

- Where we are: Openview Farm, Epsom Road, West Horsley, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT24 6AP.
- 5 mins from Junction 10 of the M25, Off the A3. Open in [Google Maps](#)
- 45 min Direct train from Waterloo to Horsley - [See our website for directions & public transport](#)



Appendix

- The Farm Backs onto the Sheepsles.
- Horsley Diamond Jubilee Trail - [Link to larger image](#)

THE HORSLEY DIAMOND JUBILEE TRAIL

About this walk

The Horsley Diamond Jubilee Trail is a circular walk through the Parishes of East & West Horsley and Effingham using mainly public footpaths and bridleways to link up woods and open spaces with public easy access, including: The Forest, Effingham Common, Great Ridings Wood, Oldlands Wood, Effingham Forest and the Sheepsles.

The total distance of the trail is approximately 14.5 km (9 miles), and it rises to over 175m (570ft) at its highest point along the broad ridge of the North Downs. The walk takes you through open country, woods and farmland, with the minimum of road walking. Proceeding at a comfortable pace, allow 4 to 5 hours, excluding stops. It can be muddy in parts, so waterproof footwear is advisable. There are several road crossings that require care, and these are listed in the route description.

The walk was named the Horsley Jubilee Trail because it was not until the year of the Queen's Golden Jubilee that the complete trail became possible due to the acquisition of The Forest, and the designation of a new right of way, which provided the final link in the circuit. It has been upgraded to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and to improve access.

A 'Map of the Horsleys' based on the Ordnance Survey Pathfinder Series and centred on both villages is available from some local outlets.

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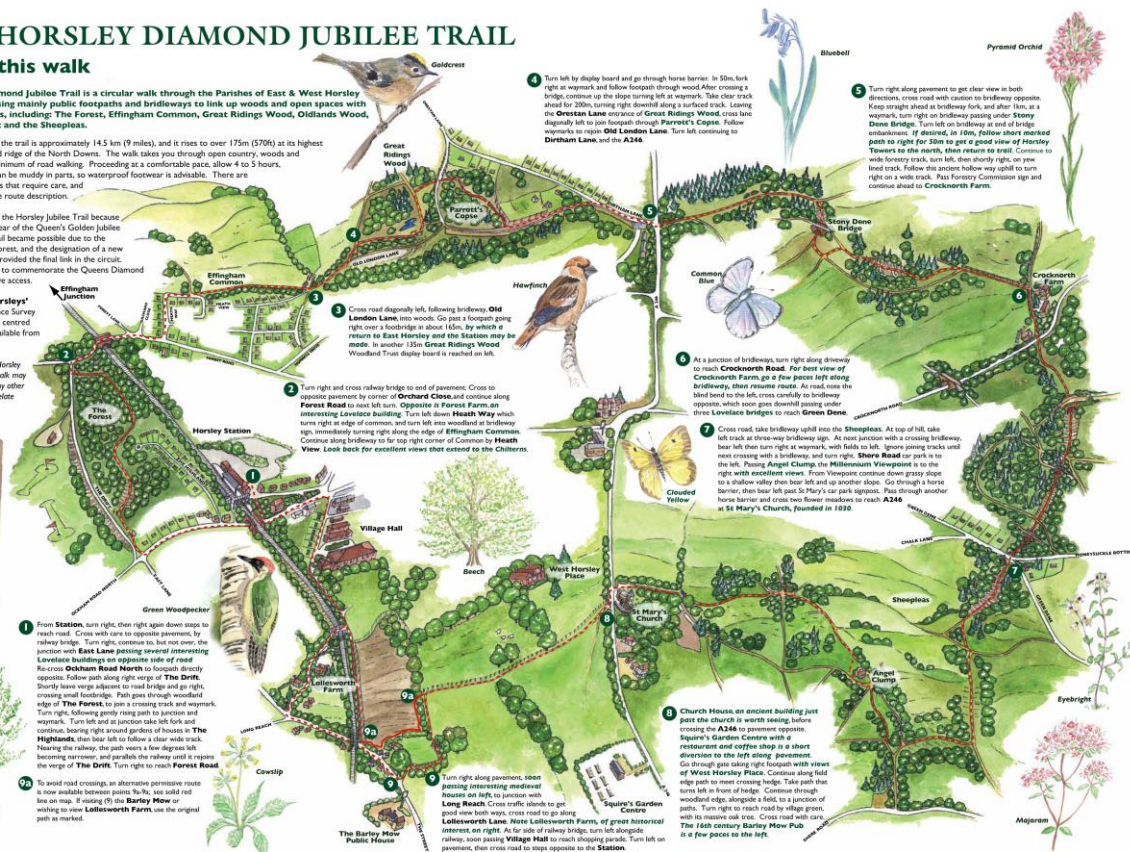
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Clouded Yellow

Eyebright

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1 From Station, turn right, then right again down steps to track road. Cross with care to opposite pavement, by railway bridge. Turn right, continue to, but not over, the junction with East Lane passing several interesting Lovatian buildings on opposite side of road before Oldham Road North to footpath directly opposite. Follow path along right verge of The Drift. Shortly here verge adjacent to road bridge and go right, crossing small footbridge. Path goes through woodland edge of The Forest to join a crossing track and waymark. Turn right, following gully along path to junction and waymark. Turn left and as junction take left fork and continue, bearing right around grove of bushes in The Highlands, then bear left to follow a clear wide track, bearing the railway, the path veers a few degrees left, becoming narrower, and parallels the railway until it rejoins the verge of The Drift. Turn right to reach Forest Road.

2 To avoid road crossings, an alternative permissive route is now available between points 8 and 9, see solid red line on map. It uses (T) the Barley Mow or walking in view of Lollsworth Farm, use the original path as marked.

3 Cross road diagonally left, following bridleway, Old London Lane into woods. Go past a footpath going right over a footbridge in about 15m. By which a return to East Horsley and the Station may be made. In another 15m Great Ridings Wood Woodland Trust display board is reached on left.

4 Turn left by display board and go through horse barrier to 10m, fork right at waymark and follow footpath through wood. After crossing a bridge, continue up the slope turning left at waymark. The clear track ahead for 200m, turning right downhill along a surfaced track. Leaving the Crestan Lane entrance of Great Ridings Wood, cross lane diagonally left to join footpath through Parrett's Coppice. Follow waymarks to rejoin Old London Lane. Turn left continuing to Dritham Lane, and to A246.

5 Turn right along pavement to get clear view in both directions, cross road with caution to bridleway opposite. Keep straight ahead as bridleway fork, and after 10m, in a waymark, turn right on bridleway passing under Stoneys Dene Bridge. Turn left on bridleway at end of bridge embankment. If desired, at 10m, follow short marked path to right for 200m to get a good view of Horsley Towers to the north, then return to trail. Continue to wide forestry track, turn left, then shortly right, on paved track. Follow this ancient hollow way uphill to turn right on a wide track. Pass Forestry Commission sign and continue ahead to Crooknorth Farm.

6 At a junction of bridleways, turn right along driveway to reach Crooknorth Road. For best view of Crooknorth Farm, go a few paces left along bridleway, then retrace route. As road, note the hilly road to the left, cross carefully to bridleway opposite, which soon goes downhill passing under stone Lovatian bridge to reach Green Dene.

7 Cross road, take bridleway uphill into the Sheepsles. At top of hill, take left track as three-way bridleway sign. At next junction with a crossing bridleway, bear left then turn right at waymark, with fields to left. Ignore passing track and meet crossing with a bridleway and turn right. Sheepsles Farm car park is to the left. Facing Angel Clump, the Millennium Viewpoint is to the right with excellent views. From Viewpoint continue down grassy slope to a shallow valley then bear left and up another slope. Go through a horse barrier, then bear left past St Mary's car park signpost. Pass through another horse barrier and cross two flower meadows to reach A246 at St Mary's Church, founded in 1688.

8 Church House, an ancient building just past the church in north-facing hollow crossing the A246 to pavement opposite. Square's Garden Centre with a restaurant and coffee shop is a short diversion to the left along pavement. Go through gate taking right footpath with views of West Horsley Place. Continue along field edge path to reach crossing hedge. Take path that turns left in front of hedge. Continue through woodland edge through a field, to a junction of paths. Turn right to reach road by village green, with its massive oak tree. Cross road with care. The 16th century Barley Mow Pub is a few paces to the left.

9 Turn right along pavement, soon passing interesting meadow. However, do not turn left to junction with Long Reach. Cross traffic island to get good north view. Cross road to go along Lollsworth Lane. Note Lollsworth Farm, of great historical interest on right. At far side of railway bridge, turn left alongside railway, soon passing Village Hall to reach shopping parade. Turn left on pavement, then cross road to steps opposite to the Station.

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