

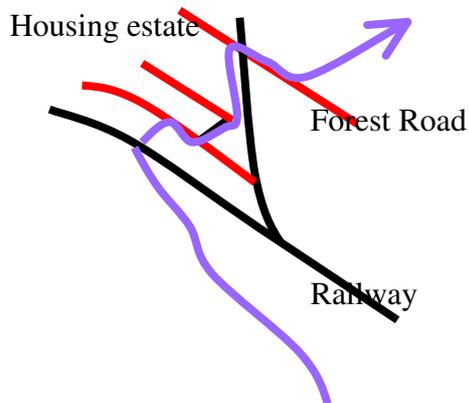
Heart of Sherwood Kings Clipstone RH3

Moderate walk

Distance 9.5miles (15.1km) or combine with RH2

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1. Starting at the dog & Duck on the National Cycle Route 6 at the Dog & Duck in Kings Clipstone turn left onto Main Road. Care is needed negotiating the pinch point in the middle of the village. It is safer to cross the road near the at Brammer Farmhouse where Maun cottage projects into the road, then cross back once past Maun Cottage
2. Walk up through the 'Rat Hole' bends. The field entrance at the top of the bends is the access to Kings John's Palace ruins if you haven't visited it.
3. Cross the road opposite School Lane and walk down the lane, turning left at the bottom on to Squires Lane.
4. You will pass Old Barn Cottages. This was the site of the late medieval Manor House built with stone from the palace.
5. At the top of the lane follow the road round to the left. Cavendish Lodge was built with the stone from that manor house(from the Palace).
6. After passing the barn and tall Holly hedge turn right on the path through the wood. Cross the track and go down the hill. Cross the River Maun and turn left along the riverbank. Keep an eye on the river for kingfishers.
7. Once past the lakes the track turns right and runs uphill.
8. At the top turn left along the course of the Flood Dyke, this is a lovely part of the Maun Valley.
9. At the next cross-paths turn right. Bear right at the next junction. Cross the paddocks between the hedges. Take the right hand fork. *This section of the route as far as the Parliament Oak is an permissive way at the present time.*
10. At the top of the hill follow the track keeping the field on your right.
11. You pass another of the hunting park boundary trees, the Churn Oak (thought to be corruption of Church Oak) because dissenters held services under it. It 's worth stopping to admire the wonderful views across Sherwood.
12. Continue following the wood edge until you reach the Parliament Oak.



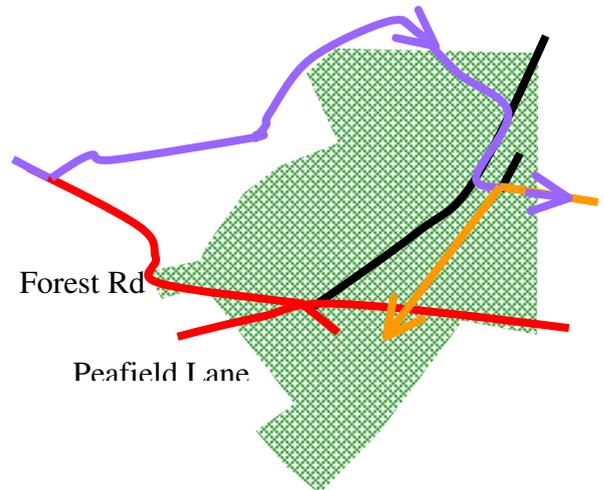
13. Cross Peafield Lane (A6075) to the bridleway opposite.

14. After passing under the railway the track emerges into a housing estate. Take the first right, then first left. At the end follow the track down the side of the railway embankment. This brings you to Forest Road (Warsop). Turn right and pass under the bridge.

15. Take the first lane (bridleway) on the left. This takes you back into Birklands. Care is needed as there are tracks running off into the woods. Keep the field your left.

16. When the wood boundary goes left make a right turn, at the forest roadway carry straight.

17. When the roadway makes a left turn you turn right on to the path through the trees. You should have the Warsop parish boundary bank on your left. At the first path junction turn left – if you miss it you will end up at Warsop Windmill roundabouts.

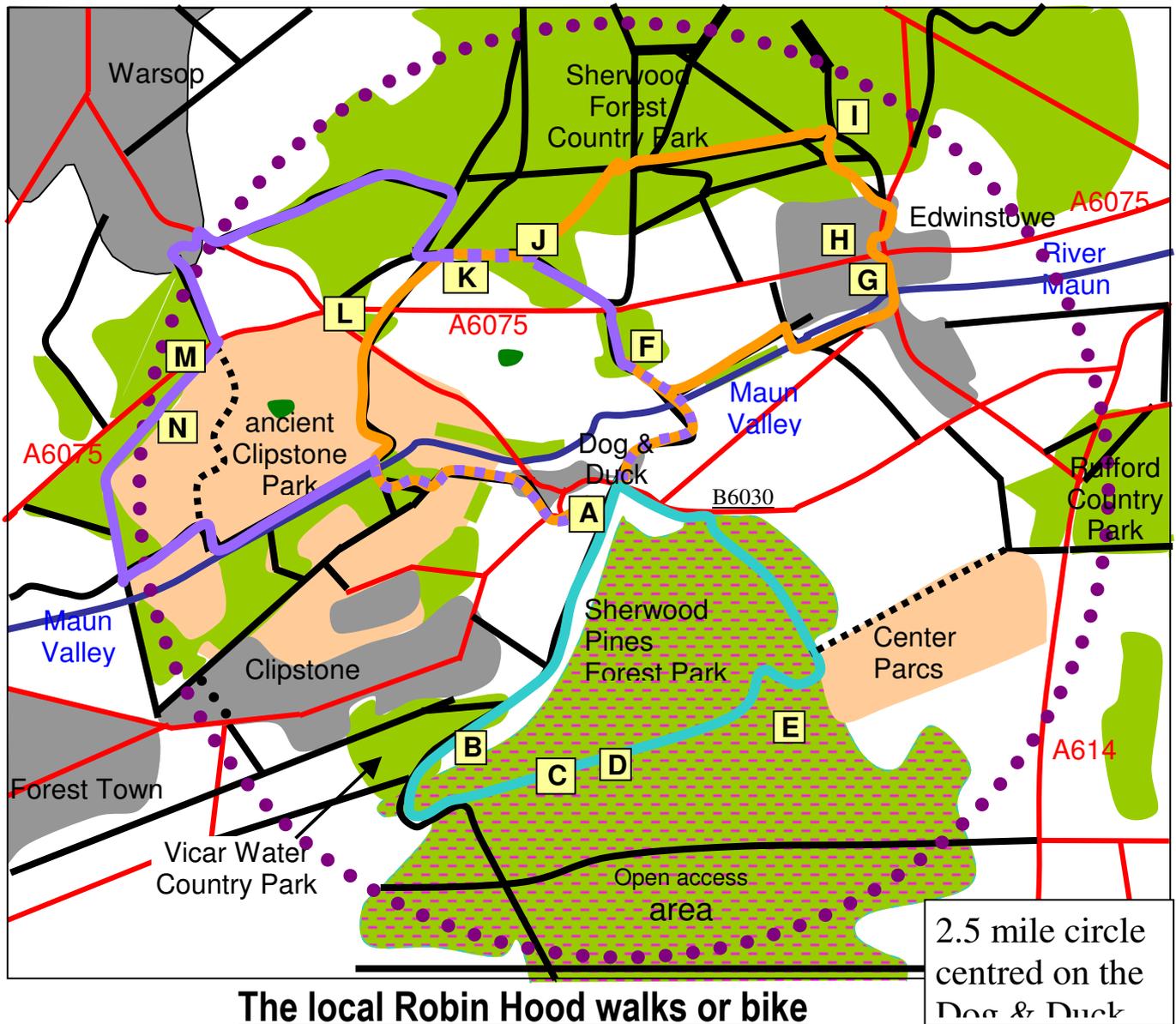


18. Cross the next old roadway. Look out for St Edwin's Chapel on the right. At the next junction turn right and follow the old tarmaced roadway down to the A6075.

19. Be very carefully crossing to Archway Road opposite. The tarmaced road takes you to Archway House, (see the board on the garden boundary).

20. Carry on down the hill & cross the river Maun.

21. At the Railway Bridge turn right and follow the lane into Kings Clipstone.



Key

- Residential areas
- Forest and park
- Roads
- Rights of way and permissive paths

Routes

- RH1
- RH2
- RH3

Robin Hood Places

- A. King John's Palace
- B. Lawndes of Flixterbreck
- C. Old coach road
- D. Robin Hood's Whetstone
- E. Pittance Dale
- F. Archway House
- G. Edwinstowe Library
- H. St Mary's, Edwinstowe
- I. Major Oak
- J. Clipstone Old Quarter
- K. Site of St Edwin's Chapel
- L. Deer Leap
- M. Parliament Oak
- N. Old Churn Oak.

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