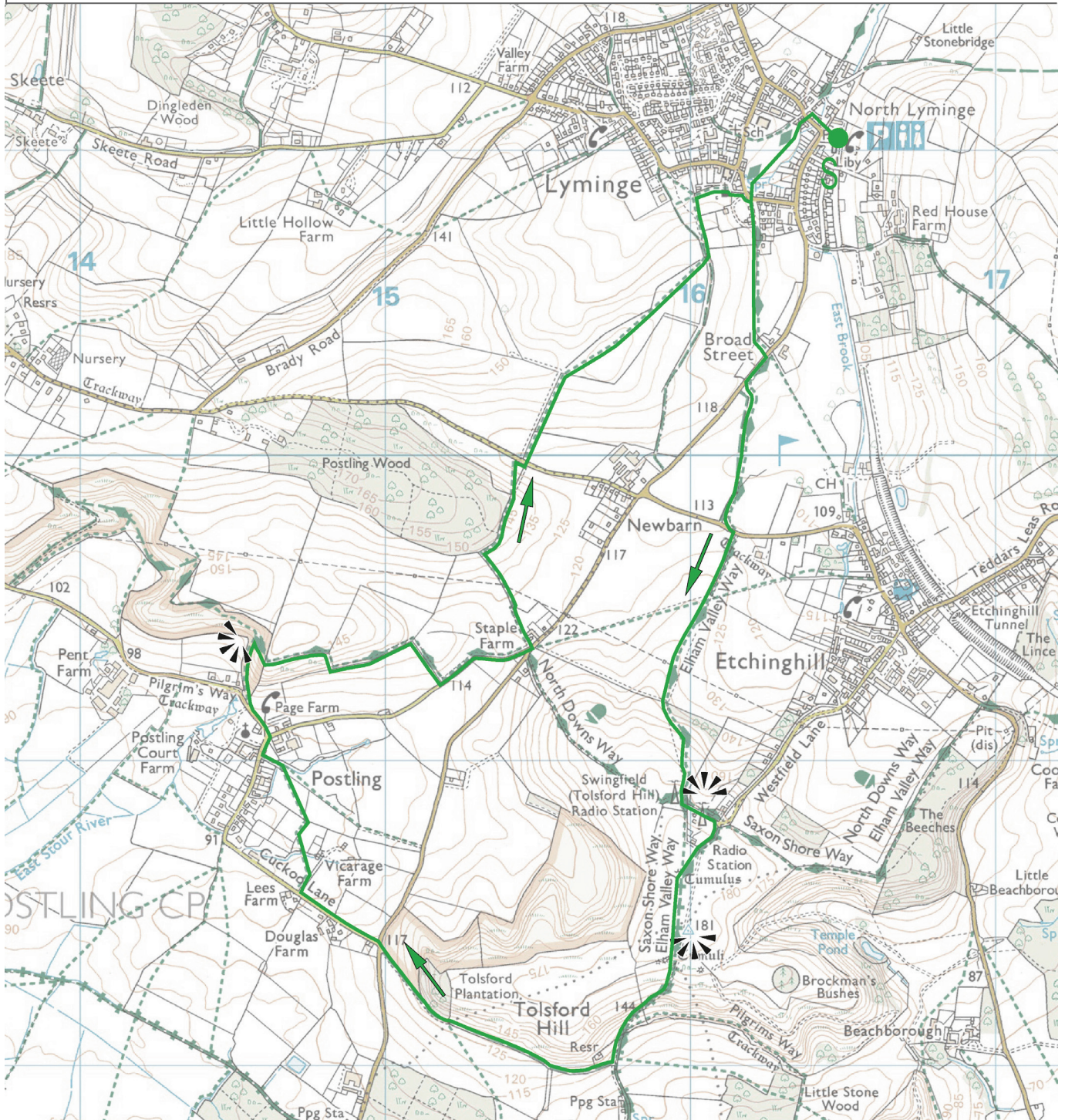


WALK LYMINGE 3

TOLSFORD HILL PANORAMA

5.8m 3 hrs easy



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DIRECTIONS (ROUTE RUNS CLOCKWISE)

FP - Footpath TR - Turn right
KG - Kissing gate TL - Turn left

Cross the main road from Lyminge Library car park. TR to walk along the pavement. TL into Kimberley Terrace at the Elham Valley Way (EVW) sign. At the way mark post by trees bear left diagonally across Tayne recreation field in the direction of the church. Cross the stream via the wooden bridge and passing St Eadburg's Well on right continue up to the wooden gate. Cross the road. TL and just after the bend TR into Rectory Lane on the EVW. Go through small metal gate and straight on through field with fence on right to cross stile into small livestock paddock (Please respect this private land with free range alpacas, chickens, dogs and pony!).

At KG take the stone steps down to cross the road and enter the golf course. Please show consideration to those playing golf and be aware of the dangers. Turn immediately right on FP and walk to right of tees 3 and 4. Now following the way mark posts TL after the 4th tee and follow the right hand side of a line of trees, keeping to the edge of the fairway in the direction of the Tolsford Hill BT Tower.

The way mark posts will guide you round the right hand side of pond and straight on to the small gravel track to left of tee 5. TL on this track through a line of trees and immediately right with the road to your right to follow a grassy path for about 30 yards through trees. Look out for the concealed stile and footpath way mark post at roadside to your right.

Cross road to stile and follow FP with hedge to your right. Continue through small metal gate and at the KG go diagonally left uphill to way mark post in field towards Tolsford Hill BT Tower. *Viewpoint.*

After KG bear left following EVW sign with chain link fence on your right to KG and road.

TR and join the Byway on a concrete road. Where the road bears right at the corner of the chain link fence TL to continue on the now stone track Byway. *Viewpoint.* Pass the Trig point on left with glorious views to the Channel and, on a clear day, Dungeness Power Station. Drop down through scrub, taking care on the uneven surface. Go through large metal gate. At the two concrete bollards with Bridleway way mark post TR (leaving the Byway). At the second small metal gate keep to the top of the field to reach another small metal gate to the road. TR and then TL to walk down road, passing Douglas Farm. Homefield Farm on the left often offers home-grown produce at a stall.

At Vicarage Farm TR onto FP and walk diagonally left across field to a large metal gate. Cross the stream to small metal gate. TR keeping hedge on your right and over stile. Walk diagonally left across field to opposite corner. Go through large gate, TL through small metal gate and walk between houses to the road. You are now in the attractive hamlet of Postling. TR and first left, direction Monks Horton.

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Opposite Church Field leave road to take FP on the right uphill through KG. The FP soon bears right (way mark post) off the main track to head uphill. Look for the NDW way mark post before you reach the summit, TR and steeply uphill to the crest of the scarp to find a small bench on which to pause and take in the spectacular panoramic view. Viewpoint.

Continue through KG on NDW. Follow fence line on the right. After next KG take diagonally left path through middle of field to KG, then bearing right downhill keeping to fence line, and turning left to walk parallel to the road. At corner of field by Staple Farm TL on FP, still in field (leaving the NDW). Look for a stile in hedge on right (before the pylon lines) and continue uphill with the hedge now on your left to top corner of field. TR at woodland, walking along the perimeter of the field down steps to road.

TL and in 20m TR across road to follow gravel track. Where the track turns left, go straight on to narrow FP on right of intermittent hedge. At trees TL to join Bridleway. TR into churchyard, bearing right at the war memorial and right at the church. Follow the path to the churchyard gate. TR down narrow Church Road to T junction. TL then immediately TR via wooden gate into Tayne recreation field to retrace your route to the start point.

- We hope you have enjoyed your walk. We endeavour to maintain our rights of way – if you have encountered any problems or errors in the route we would be pleased to hear from you.