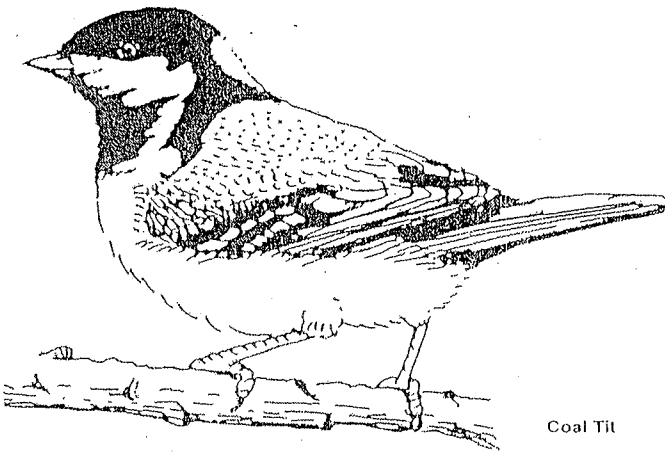


6. After some 200 yards the path joins a wide track with open fields on the left. Turn left, there are good views of the Stocksbridge valley beyond the fields. Keep on this track as it rises and swings to the right, then downhill to Moorside Farm. Turn left at the farm - between the barn and stone building.

7. On then to Moor End Farm, keeping straight on and passing the farm on your right. Follow the track, through a gate (remembering to close it after you) and down through a gorse area to Gosling Farm.



Coal Tit

8. Passing the farm on your right, turn left under the by-pass and through the hamlet of Finkle Street to Finkle Street Lane.

9. Turn right up the road and just before a stone bungalow on the right, carefully cross the road to a kissing gate. Through the gate and follow the footpath straight on passing the cricket field on your left.

10. On past the church cemetery, over a stile and you will emerge on the main road in Wortley. Turn left and back to the church - the start of your walk. If the café is open next to the post office (opposite the church) you may well enjoy refreshment!



Moor End farm

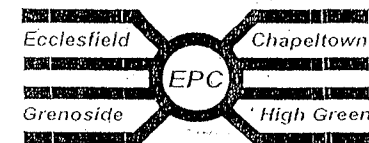
COUNTRY CODE

WHEN IN THE COUNTRYSIDE - REMEMBER:

GUARD AGAINST ALL RISK OF FIRE
 FASTEN ALL GATES
 KEEP DOGS UNDER PROPER CONTROL
 KEEP TO PATHS ACROSS FARMLAND
 AVOID DAMAGING FENCES, HEDGES AND WALLS
 DO NOT LEAVE LITTER
 SAFEGUARD WATER SUPPLIES
 PROTECT WILDLIFE, WILD PLANTS AND TREES.
 WALK CAREFULLY ON COUNTRY ROADS
 RESPECT THE LIFE OF THE COUNTRYSIDE

Acknowledgements:

Ecclesfield Parish Council thank all concerned in suggesting this walk for your enjoyment. Times stated are for average walkers, but many will be tempted to take longer to experience the wide variety of seasonal wildlife, and develop interest in the rich history of this area. There are groups and individuals in the parish who can help with information about things you see on the walks. Ecclesfield Parish Council will advise where possible, and Sheffield City Council has various departments specialising in, and with responsibility for many environmental, planning and countryside issues.



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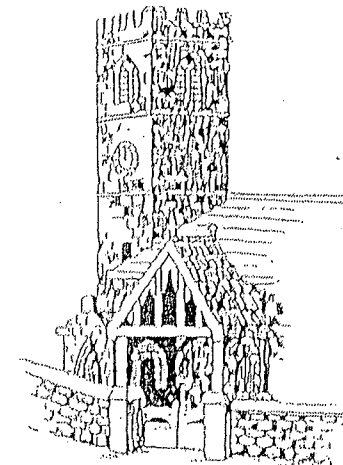
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NO. 8

Wortley - Moorside

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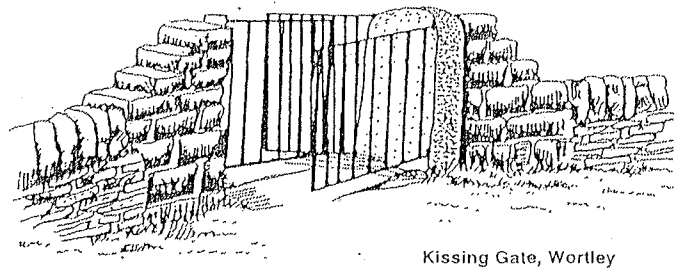
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BOOTS OR STOUT SHOES ARE
RECOMMENDED FOR THIS WALK

DISTANCE: 4 miles (2 hours)
STARTING POINTS: St. Leonard's Church,
Wortley
GRID REFERENCE: SK308994

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

The route is undulating mainly through woodlands and farmland with a few stiles to negotiate. There are some good views and the usual wide variety of seasonal birds, plants and wildlife. You may wish to take a pair of binoculars - they can be useful for both close up and panoramic viewing. The centre of Wortley is a good starting and finishing point with a welcome café next to the post office.

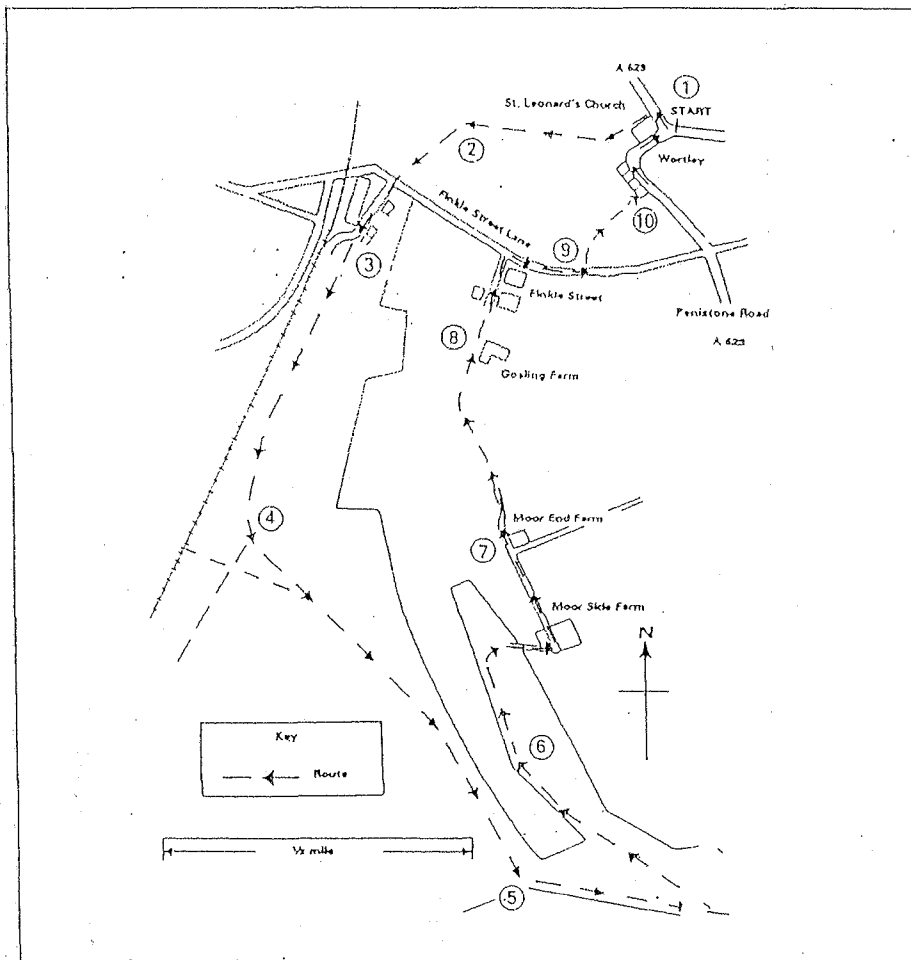


Kissing Gate, Wortley

ROUTE INSTRUCTIONS:

1. From the front of St. Leonard's Church - face the church, then turn right down the road towards the back of the church. After 50 yards you reach a telephone box on your left. Take the signed footpath just before the telephone box. The church is on your left and the footpath goes down-hill following a paved route through a kissing gate.

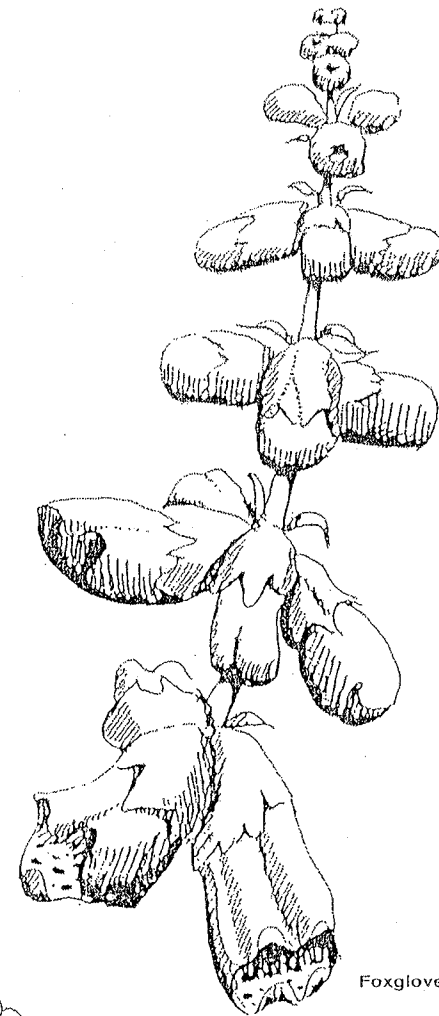
2. Keep on the paved path. (This is an unusual feature in itself and you may wonder how many people over the years have trod the same stones you are on!) Continue through the fields. There may be horses or other animals in some of them so make sure you close the gates. You will eventually come to a road—Finkle Street Lane. Cross over and onto the lane towards the old Wortley Railway Station.



3. Follow the lane as it swings left under the bypass and then onto Wharncliffe Woods.

4. Keep on this wide track for a good distance, continuing on through two stone pillars and ignoring the main track which now swings to the right. The route is now uphill on a wide track. Further along is a 'newly planted' conifer area, which, in summer has many columns of pink foxgloves.

5. Go through the wooden posts at the top of the track. (Wharncliffe Woods sign is on your right and also the wall of Wharncliffe Chase). Turn sharp left on a woodland path. This can be quite muddy. This is an interesting woodland of oak, beech and sweet chestnut.



Foxglove



Wood Sorrel