

Cross the church approach road and re-join **FP49** to the junction with Margaretting Road. Cross the road and head for milestone 27.



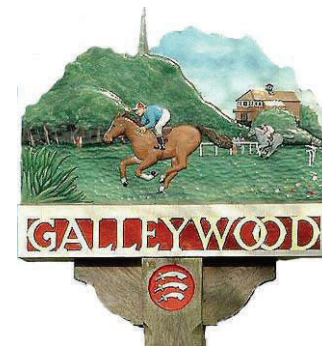
*Galleywood's two milestones, which pre-date the Ecclesiastical Boundary Stones, marking the old Maldon to London Road.*  
 << "London 27" is just beyond Mill House at the highest point on the Common.  
 "London 28" is adjacent to Barn Mead. >>



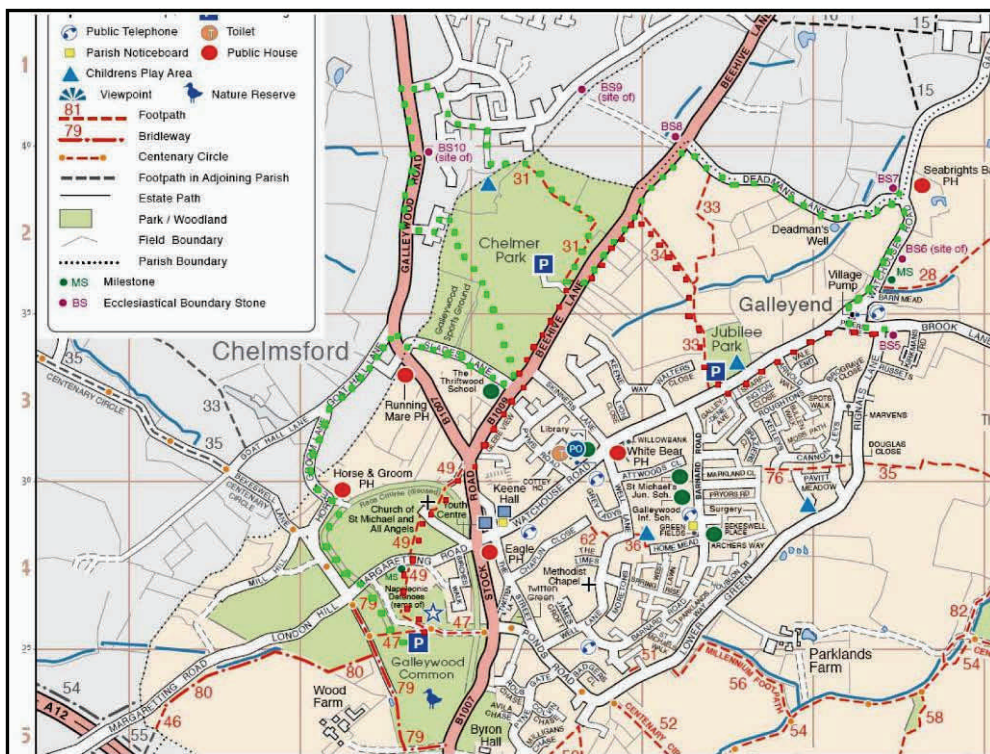
# Beating The Bounds; Stones 5-10

8km (5 miles) - 3 hours.

An easy walk mainly through the village and across parkland. Some footpaths, stiles and kissing gates. Not suitable for wheel chairs.



Mapping: Galleywood Parish Council  
 Footpaths Map, OS Explorer™ 183/175 and  
 Landranger™ 167.



Start from Galleywood Common main car park off Margaretting Road (TL703025). Proceed NNW along the old race course, crossing the Margaretting Road towards the Horse and Groom public house.

Continue along Horse and Groom Lane and then Goat Hall Lane to the junction with Stock Road. Cross with care to the east side and proceed SE for 20m the turn left into Slades Lane and at the junction with Beehive Lane turn immediately left

onto the grass verge and enter Chelmer Park by the first gap in the hedge. Head NNW to the exit into Russell Gardens and then onto Galleywood Road. Proceed N for 250m on the east side to the entrance to Fowler Court, where Stone No 10 originally stood. Cross Galleywood Road to a low brick wall, originally part of a bridge, containing

a small embedded concrete plaque.

### Beating The Bounds

*A perambulation of the parish boundary by the church, and latterly, also civic officials and parishioners. At various points, boys would be 'bumped' so that "they would well remember the bounds of the parish within which they dwell". This practice also developed into the symbolic 'beating' of young boys with a willow twitch at each of the boundary markers, as a reminder of the extent of the Parish. The boundary markers needed to be long-lasting, e.g. 10 Stones.*

**Walk  
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Continue northwards for 200m along Galleywood Road and cross to Linnet Drive, turn right into Osprey Way and right again into Plover Walk, entering Chelmer Park from Swallow Path and join **FP31**.

Continue to the car park at the main entrance at Beehive Lane and cross to the east side, which has a good pavement, and continue for 1km. On the opposite side of the road is a track leading through an orchard. Stone No 9 was originally at the far end of this track in what is now a rear garden of a property in Goshawk Drive. There is no public access to this site, and the stone was removed during the development of Tile Kiln estate.



*Removed from it's original site at Tile Kiln Farm, subsequently rediscovered in Oaklands Park adjacent to the Museum.*



Adjacent to this track entrance in front of No 302 Beehive Lane is Stone No 8, a concrete replica.

*Reported as missing in 1955, but subsequently replaced with a cast replica*



Continue to the junction of Deadmans Lane and proceed to its junction with Galleywood Road, Great Baddow, to Stone No 7 on the verge to the front of No 194 Galleywood Road.

Turn right into Watchouse Road and continue along the west side of for 150m. The original site of Stone No 6 is on the opposite side of the road, and has long since disappeared.

*St Michael's Review, October 1955 quotes: ".....as top has long been broken off and now almost entirely buried by road silt" This stone has still not been found..*

Proceed 75m to milestone "London 28" again on the opposite side of the road. Continue to Pipers Tye, crossing the Green to avoid the dangerous slip road, turn left into Brook Lane. Stone No 5 is to be found to the front of house No 6.

*Reported as in poor condition, badly eroded, with less than ten inches showing above the ground*



Retrace steps to Watchouse Road and cross to the north side. At the entrance to Jubilee Park join **FP33**, continuing onto **FP34** to junction with Beehive Lane at the entrances to Chelmsford Equestrian Centre and Carlton Farm. Turn left onto Beehive Lane, proceed to the entrance to Chelmer Park and then SW along the inside of the boundary hedge, and exit at Slades Lane junction and cross over to the south side of Beehive Lane, continuing up to its junction with Stock Road. Cross to the start of **FP49** and proceed into the Churchyard, just past the church turn right towards the large metal gate to the peripatetic Stone No 9.

ECCLESIASTICAL BOUNDARY STONE

ONE OF TEN NUMBERED STONES MARKING THE EASTERN BOUNDARY OF THE PARISH OF ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, ESTABLISHED 20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 1874. THE ABBREVIATED INSCRIPTION STANDS FOR-

GALLEYWOOD COMMON  
ST MICHAEL CONSOLIDATED CHAPLERY

REMOVED FROM IT'S ORIGINAL SITE AT TILE KILN FARM, SUBSEQUENTLY RE-DISCOVERED IN OAKLANDS PARK AND RE-SITED HERE BY GALLEYWOOD PARISH COUNCIL-OCTOBER 2004