



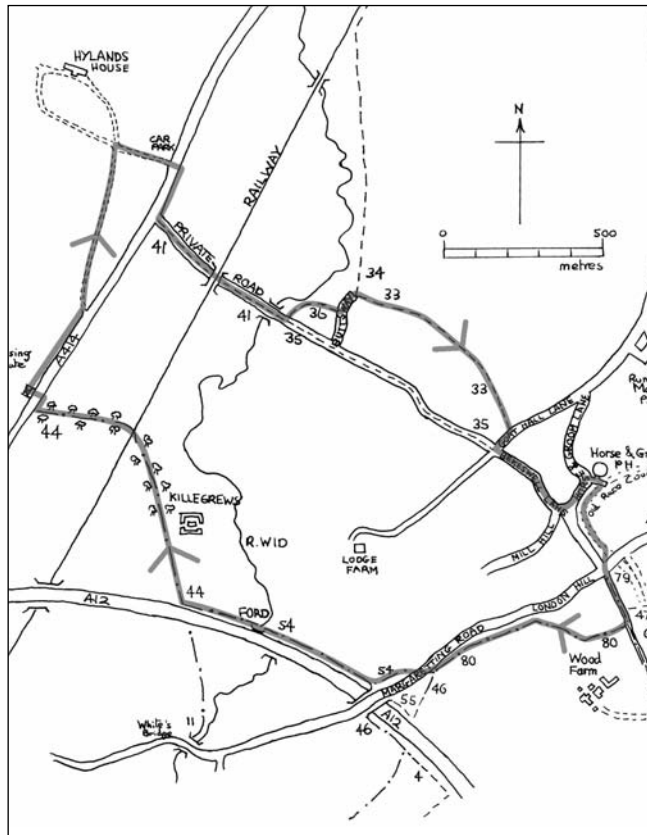
Private Road from A414

FP41) and continue south-east passing under the railway and over the River Wid. At the River Wid **FP41** becomes Chelmsford **FP35** which you follow along Private Road for 40 metres until you meet Chelmsford **FP36**. Turn left onto **FP36** which takes you through to Butts Way.

Turn left onto Butts Way and continue to the end where you turn right on Chelmsford **FP33** which takes you up

hill in a south-easterly direction to Goat Hall Lane.

At Goat Hall Lane turn right and after 70 metres turn left onto Bekeswell Lane (Chelmsford **FP35**) which takes you to Horse and Groom Lane and back to your starting point at The Horse and Groom Public House.



Map based on Galleywood Parish Footpath map

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Medieval Hunting Walk

6km – 2 hours, moderate.

Not suitable for wheelchairs.

Mapping: Galleywood Parish Footpaths Map, OS Explorer™ 183, OS Landranger™ 167.



Start from The Horse and Groom Public House on Galleywood Common (OS Ref TL701030). Walk from The Horse and Groom south along the old racecourse to the junction of Margaretting Road and Bekeswell Lane. Cross Margaretting Road and join **BR79** by the side of The Stables Daycare Centre and proceed south-south-east for 160 metres to the junction with **BR80**.

Turn right onto **BR80** and follow the bridleway in a generally westerly direction, downhill, skirting the remains of Gally Wood, most of which is now farmed as Wood Farm on the south side of the bridleway.



Extract of Chapman and André map of Essex, 1777

Hunting in the 14th century

Looking at the 1777 Chapman & André map you can imagine the scene on hunt days with the deer being driven out of Lodge Woods on the Galleywood ridge down to the River Wid and then up to the hunting lodge where they were met by the hunters demonstrating their hunting skills with bows and arrows. Their ladies would view the scene from the mullioned windows of the hunting lodge.

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Lodge Farm

Lodge Farm is a late 13th century Grade II listed building. It was built over 700 years ago as a hunting lodge within the Manor of Moulsham. John Walker's map shows the extent of the deer park. There was also a large fish pond as was common with hunting lodges of the period to provide alternative sport.

Some 400 years ago the hunting lodge was turned into a farm. The original mullioned windows with shutters have been replaced. An extension was built at the rear in the 1800's and the front elevation re-tiled around 1900, after a period when it was unoccupied.

When used as a hunting lodge the building was unbeated and had no kitchen.

It was there primarily to provide a viewing platform for the hunt.

After 700 metres **BR80** joins the Margaretting Road at the bottom of London Hill.

Fording The Wid

*When the A12 bypass was completed in November 1986 no proper provision for walkers was made on **BR54**. ECC are considering the design and engineering of a bridge across the River Wid, and we await the outcome. For the guided walk on 2nd January 2006, a farm tractor and trailer were used to cross the river*

Cross Margaretting Road to join Chelmsford **BR54** taking care crossing the road because this is a dangerous bend. The start of **BR54** is some 150 metres south-west along the road from the end of **BR80**. Looking north from **BR54** you will see Lodge Farm at the top of the hill.



Entrance to Killegrews across the moat



Lodge Farm from the south

Killegrews

Shenfelds, the original manor house on this site was built in 1485 by William de Shenfeld.

It was surrounded by a moat and had a drawbridge. Although it was a manor there was no court kept, but tradition says this was one of the houses of pleasure where King Henry VIII used to report to his mistresses.

Killigrews was built within the old moat of Shenfelds in 1806.



Beech avenue from Killegrews under the railway line to the A414



Hylands House

Follow Chelmsford **BR54** alongside the A12, down to the River Wid.

On the west bank of the River Wid **BR54** continues as Margaretting **BR44** for some 230 metres along the A12 and then turns north-north-west along what was Whitesbridge Lane passing Killegrews where it joins a fine beech avenue.

Railway

The Eastern Counties Railway from London to Colchester opened in 1843 following closely the main turnpike road through Chelmsford.

The beech avenue continues from Killegrews passing under the railway line and comes out onto the Three Mile Hill section of the A414. Cross the A414 and enter Hylands Park. Walk north-east through the park keeping parallel to the A414 until you meet the main approach drive to Hylands House after some 800 metres. Turn right on the approach road and re-join the A414 at the park gates. Cross the A414 and turn right on the pavement for some 150 metres until you meet the start of Private Road. Turn left onto Private Road (Margaretting