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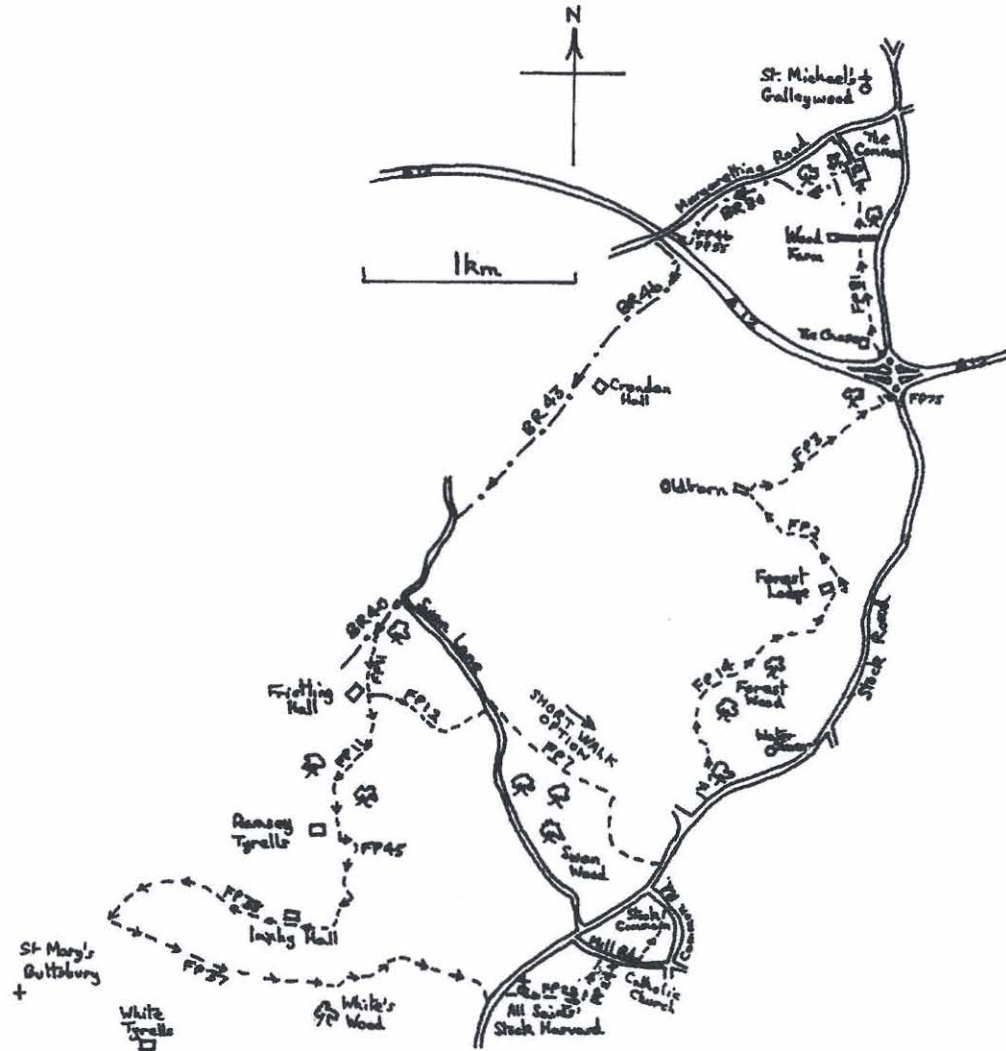
Images of England – Impey Hall, 429211, Fristling Hall, 427825, Ramsey Tyrells, 427618

Donald Jarvis – 'With Respect' the story of residents of Stock 1245 to 1995

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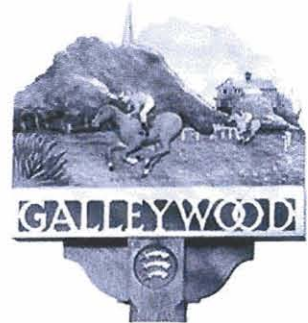
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# The Hidden Manors of Buttsbury

15km (9 miles) – 4 hours. A long but gentle walk relieved by some good refreshment stops. Not suitable for wheelchairs

Mapping Galleywood Parish Footpaths Map, OS Explorer™ 183 and 175, OS Landranger™ 167



Start from the main car park on Galleywood Common, off Margaretting Road (OS ref TL 703 025).

From the car park take **FP47** west for 100m, turn left onto **BR79** and after 50m turn right onto **BR80** which takes you west, down the edge of The Common. After 700m, just before the bridleway comes out onto Margaretting Road, turn left onto **FP46**. At the parish boundary join Chelmsford **FP55** and continue until you reach the A12 boundary fence. Turn right and join Margaretting Road up some steps on the north-east side of the bridge over the A12. Cross the A12 and turn left onto Chelmsford **BR46** which takes you south-east along the A12 boundary for 200m, then turn south-west into a green lane. After 600m you cross a stream on the parish boundary and continue straight ahead on Margaretting **BR43** past Crondon House, crossing the approach track to Crondon Hall Farm and after 1km you reach Swan Lane. Turn left onto Swan Lane and after 450m you come to a sharp turn left. Keep straight ahead here joining Margaretting **BR40**. After 200m you come to the junction with Margaretting **FP36** and **FP11**. Turn left onto Margaretting **FP11** and follow the field crossing south-south-west for 300m to Fristling Hall. Cross the farm approach road and continue south on Margaretting **FP11**. A stile takes you south for 100m between two railings to another stile where the path continues across a field where you may encounter some highland cattle.



Highland Cattle at Fristling Hall

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Follow the hedgerow on your right for 200m then continue on a field crossing for 250m in south-westerly direction down to the stream following the telephone pole route. After crossing the stream go uphill on a field crossing for 300m heading for the gap between the two barns on the east side of Ramsey Tyrells farmhouse.

At the farmhouse approach track turn left onto Stock **FP45** and follow this east then south for 400m to the junction with Stock **FP38**. Turn right onto Stock **FP38** which takes you south and west for 400m to Impey Hall. Continue straight ahead at Impey Hall passing the front of the hall and walk 900m downhill on the farm track until you come to a stile on your left before the farm track meets the Ingatestone Road.

Turn left at the stile onto Stock **FP37** and walk uphill along the hedgerow for 800m. The hedgerow turns left but Stock **FP37** continues straight ahead for 400m as a field crossing in a westerly direction to White's Wood at the northern tip of which the footpath continues north-east and then east between two hedges for 700m to School Lane.

Turn right onto School Lane and walk down to Stock Road where the old village school stands. Turn left up Stock Road past the Twedye Almshouse, cross Stock Road to All Saints' Church and walk through the churchyard then east on Stock **FP28** for 300m to the junction with Stock **FP29**. Turn left onto Stock **FP29** and walk north for 200m to Our Lady and St. Joseph's Church at Mill Road. Turn right onto Mill Road and after 150m turn left onto Common Lane which takes you 300m north up the lane and across Stock Common past the cricket pavilion to Common Road. Turn left onto Common Road past the Bakers Arms PH where you come out onto Stock Road. Turn right and walk on the pavement for 500m to Stock Boarding Kennels, cross Stock Road at the kennels and join Stock **FP14**, take the left turning and follow Stock **FP14** round the western edge of Forest Wood for 1.4km.



*Impey Hall – Grade II Listed, 17<sup>th</sup> century*

**The farm track past Impey Hall is part of an ancient track which once linked Stock via Mountnessing to the Essex Way at Greensted taking a more southerly route than the modern St Peter's Way.**



*Ramsey Tyrells – Grade II Listed, 16<sup>th</sup> century, timber framed house with a late 18<sup>th</sup> century red brick front*



***All Saints' Church, Stock Harvard***

*In December 1940 a German high explosive parachute bomb landed in the churchyard, causing immense damage to Church and surrounding buildings, hundreds of windows were broken throughout the village*



*Barns at Fristling Hall – The Great Barn is Grade II Listed, late 16<sup>th</sup> century*

Cross the stile on your right just before you reach Forest Lodge farmhouse and follow the hedge on your left up to the farmhouse garden fence. Proceed to the right around the garden boundary, with the electric fence on your right, until you reach a 5-bar gate. Turn right after the gate and join the farm approach drive which takes you up to the through farm track from Stock Road to Crondon Hall. Turn left on this track (Stock **FP2**) and walk down for 600m to Oldbarn, turn right onto Stock **FP3** and follow the farm track down for 200m north-east to the start of the field crossing which takes you a further 600m north-east to Lady Grove. Turn left round the wood and meet Galleywood **FP75** at a footbridge. Turn left after the footbridge and follow the hedge round to a gap where you turn right to bring you up to the A12 roundabouts

Cross the roundabouts to the north side of the A12 and join **FP81** which takes you diagonally 100m across the field to The Chase where you cross their approach drive then 550m north over The Common to the lower car park and Wood Farm approach drive. From Wood Farm approach drive proceed through the old race course railings onto the main part of The Common and walk 300m north to your starting point at the main car park.

**Short Walk Option**

**For a short 5 mile (2.5 hour) option start the walk at All Saints' Stock, follow the main route in reverse from the Church to Impey Hall, Ramsey Tyrells and Fristling Hall. From Fristling Hall return to Stock, along the farm approach drive (Stock **FP12**), to Swan Lane. Cross Swan Lane and take Stock **FP7** through Crondon Park to Stock Road. Turn right and re-join the main route to return to All Saints' Church.**