## Waveney Ramblers Waveney Way 14 Wenhaston East

OS Map: X 231 Track: **TM 42535 75220 GPX for SatNav** 10.5 Miles Updated: 2018

Park at the playing fields behind Wenhaston Primary School, down the narrow lane, west.

Head east along the narrow access road. Turn right, south, along The Street. Turn left, NE, up the bank, houses left. Bear left, north, cemetary right. Bear right, NE, pumping station right. Ignore the tracks NW and SE. The track bends left, north. Bear right, NE, and cross under power lines. Go through the gate and turn right, SE, along a tree-lined track. Continue SE, hedge right. Kink right and left, through a metal gate and head SE on a tree-lined tarmac lane. At farm buildings, bear left, off the track, through a gate into a meadow and head SE. Cross a stile and head east. Blythburgh church tower can be seen in the distance. The path bends right, eventually south. At a gate, bear left, roughly east, along the grassy track, hedge and reed beds left. Follow the left perimeter of this meadow, eventually south to the tarmac. Turn left, east, towards the A12.

The map shows an alternative route via the interesting church and pub at Blythburgh. This diversion uses the old railway trackbed. At the woodland, it's necessary to leave the railway and kink right and left onto the almost parallel footpath, rejoining the main route.

Cross the A12 and head east along the footpath. At Dunwich Road, tarmac, cross with a left right kink and head SE along a wider track. Follow this path SE and later east for about a mile, ignoring side turnings. There are good views over the estuary and later shady woodland. Cross the B1387 at the lay-by and head SE across the open heathland. Bear left, east, trees right. Ignore a track to the right. When the main track veers left, continue east for a few paces, then right, SE, woodland right. Follow the diagonal path, SE, which gradually diverges from the woodland. Merge with another track and continue SE. Go through the gate and turn right, SW, along Lodge Road, tarmac, for 2.3 miles, SW, west and SW again. After the tarmac ends, the track goes through woodland. Ignore all side tracks.

At the Five Ways car park, cross the Dunwich Road and head SW towards Hinton. To avoid a field crossing (this gravel track may not be a right of way) turn right, west, disused quarry left. Alternatively continue SW on the tarmac. After the road bends west, at a T\_junction in the tarmac, turn right, north, along the grassy track. Continue north across the open field. Aim the the right hand end of the woodland, right of some farm buildings. Continue north past the woodland, through the gap, over a sleeper bridge. Turn left, west, on the gravel lane, rejoining the suggested diversion a few sentences ago. Before the farm house, turn right, north, and follow the power lines all the way to the A12, nearly a mile.

Cross the A12 and head NW towards Thorington. Turn right, NE, at Stonehouse Farm. After the house, turn left, NW, through the meadow, following the power lines again, fence left. Head through several gates. One had to be climbed as the string could not be untied. Cross the stile and head west along a short nettle choked path. The path bends right, NW, through a gap. Kink right and left and head north past outbuildings, right.

Cross a meadow, east of north, watercourse right. Cross a concrete bridge and continue north, fence left. Go through the kissing gate and head west of north on the wide woodland track, houses left. At tarmac, turn right, NE, past a drive to a house, then left, NW, uphill, along a footpath, hedges both sides. Contnue roughly north across the heathland merging with other paths. Turn right, east, onto a gravel road. Follow the road round to the left, north. Merge with The Street. Head back to the school. Turn left down the narrow access road, back to the playing fields and car park.

The Wenhaston Star is about 300 metres south of the school.

