## **Route Direction**

These directions begin in Lynstead and follow the route in an anticlockwise direction but of course it can be walked in either direction or from any point on the route.

- 1. There is ample on street parking in Lynstead where this walk begins at the village green, opposite the Black Lion pub and just up from the church. From the village green turn RIGHT (away from the church) and walk to the road junction where the village sign stands on a triangle of grass. Take the lane to the LEFT and after a few steps where the lane bears to the left, take the marked footpath on the RIGHT. Follow this path between hedges to meet a wider concrete track. Turn LEFT onto this track and continue to meet a lane.
- 2. Turn LEFT onto the lane which bends first to the right and then left, passing Sunderland Farm. After the farm take the footpath on the RIGHT and continue to a 5 bar gate and a lane. Go straight ahead on the lane to a T junction.
- 3. Turn RIGHT onto the lane and follow this for just over ½ mile (900m) passing Little Dully on the RIGHT to reach a fine flint wall on the Left.
- 4. Turn LEFT here with the house (Haywood) on the RIGHT and continue across the field toward the group of houses ahead and to a road.
- 5. Turn LEFT onto the road which goes slightly downhill to the left to meet a junction at the bottom. Turn LEFT onto Church Street going slightly uphill. Continue on this lane to Rodmersham with its fine collection of houses and the beautiful church of St. Nicholas. After approximately 300yds (275m) past the church take the footpath on the LEFT which is opposite the gated entrance to Rodmersham House.

- 6. Take the path across the fields and down into the valley bottom and up the other side to a broken kissing gate, continuing straight ahead to the brow of the hill and onto a kissing gate in the hedge. Through the gate and straight ahead toward the copse where the path skirts round to the left and eventually meets a wider track at Manor Cottage. Stay on this track to pass the imposing buildings of Scuttington Manor and down to the lane.
- 7. Cross the lane and take the track immediately opposite, going up hill. At the brow of the hill and at the end of a small copse take the path ½ LEFT across the field. At the fence line follow the path to the LEFT skirting an orchard then turn RIGHT going downhill toward the church, through a number of kissing gates to the bottom where the path meets a lane.
- 8. Turn LEFT onto the lane and continue to the T junction with the church on the corner. Turn LEFT and follow the road back to the village green.
- 9. NB. At point 3 there is an option to turn LEFT to follow the lane to Dully House. Turn RIGHT onto the drive where there is a footpath on the RIGHT crossing diagonally over the fields to eventually arrive at Haywood at point 4. However at the time of walking this route the gate from Dully House drive onto the footpath could not be opened. Climbing over is an option but was not taken!

## Lynstead to Rodmersham Round.

A circular 4.5 mile (7.25km) walk between Lynstead & Rodmersham passing a number of grand houses.





