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## Route Direction

This walk involves a bus ride from Faversham to the Sportsman pub between Graveney & Seasalter where the walk begins. The **660** bus stops at the **B** stop in Court Road (o/s Asks). It runs Mon - Fri with just 2 buses running; one at **10.15 am** & the other at **1.20pm**. There is ample long- stay parking in Faversham.

1. Alight the bus at The Sportsman pub and take the steps to the RIGHT of the pub onto the raised bank. Turn LEFT and follow this grassy bank to a kissing gate into the South Swale local Nature reserve. Continue on as the bank curves RIGHT toward the sea wall.
2. Follow the seawall for approximately 1 1/2 miles (2.5k) passing through a number of kissing gates & illustrative information boards. The path is easy underfoot but can be muddy in parts. At the gate at this point there is a direction arrow indicating LEFT, down the embankment, onto the marshland. Also at this point there is a sign over the seawall advising no entry onto the Castle Coote bird sanctuary.
3. *The decision now is to either turn LEFT, off the sea wall or continue to follow the path alongside the seawall which lengthens the walk by 1 1/4 miles (2k). It is worth pointing out that the path across the marshland entails walking through what is to become the Cleve Hill Solar farm.*
4. Turn LEFT, off the seawall, through a kissing gate where there is a sign that the footpath remains open but to be aware of heavy machinery crossing over

the path. Go straight ahead crossing over the cinder track and follow the wide path between high wire fencing.

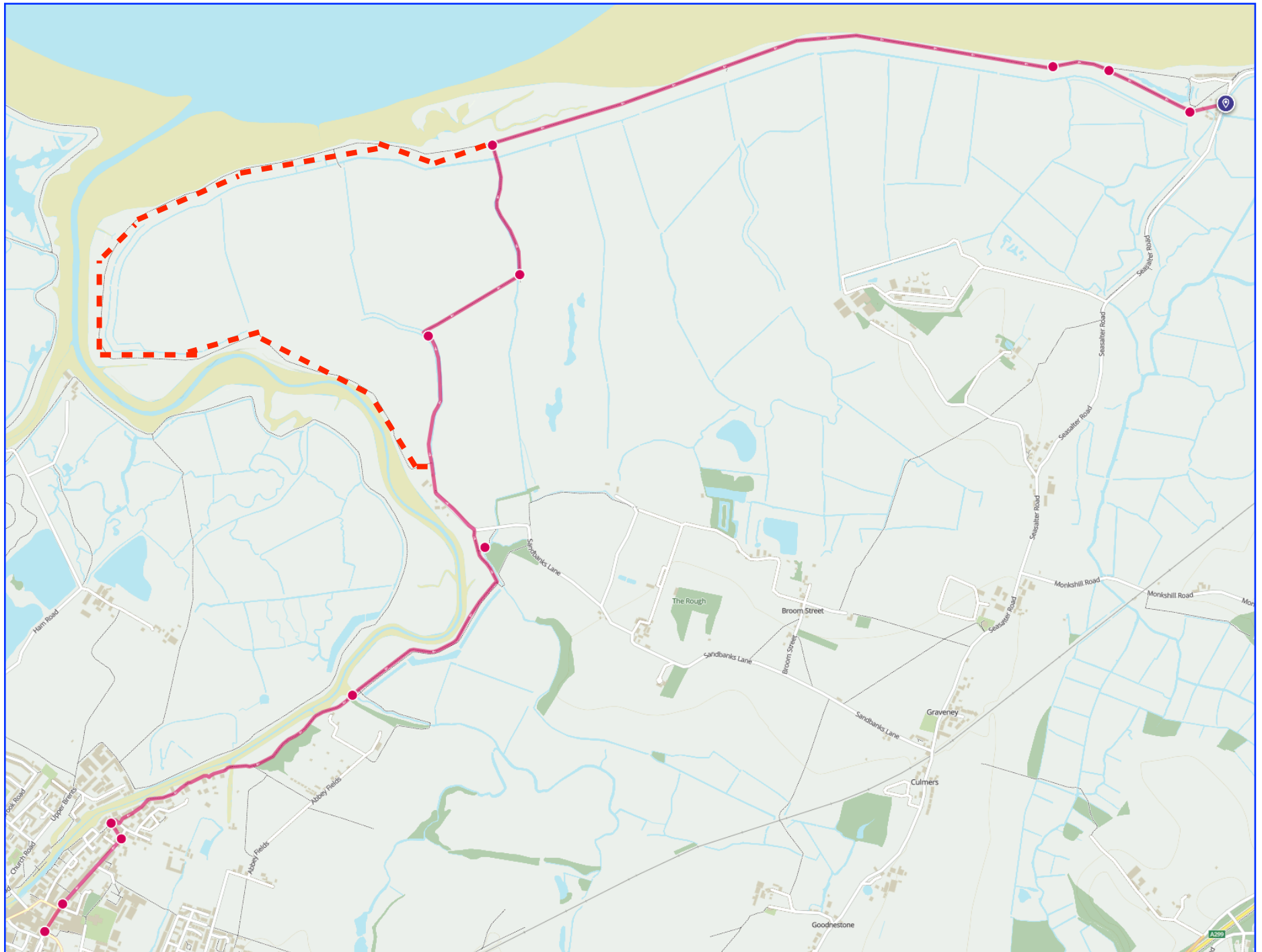
5. The path must be followed between the fencing where it leads under the power lines and continues toward Nagden Barn & cottages. The alternative seawall route rejoins the route here. Follow the lane past the buildings, through a gate where it rises up again onto a grassy bank beside the Faversham Creek.
6. At the junction of paths, turn RIGHT to follow the path above the Faversham Creek back toward Faversham passing through Iron Wharf. There is a small refreshment shed just the other side of the footbridge onto the wharf; Quint Retreat is worth a stop. Continue on to Standard Quay with its antique shops, tea rooms & the old barges moored alongside the quay.
7. At the end of the quay turn LEFT where the road bends round to the Anchor pub on the corner and after a few steps turn RIGHT onto Abbey Street. Continue to the end, cross over the road back to the bus stop.

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## Along the seawall from The Sportsman to Faversham

A level 5 mile (8K) or 6 1/4mile  
(10K) walk taking in big skies,  
sea & marsh





----- Alternative route