**Steppingley Step 19th November 2023 12 Mile Route** Updated 10/11/2023

**Emergency number during event – 07810 430 911**

Abbreviations: **L** = Left, **R** = Right, **TL** = Turn Left, **TR** = Turn Right,  **BL** = Bear Left,

**BR** = Bear Right, **AH** = Ahead, **X** = Cross, **thru** = through,

immed = immediately, FP = footpath, BW = bridleway, KG = kissing gate,

WM = waymark post, FB = footbridge , RD = road, jnt = junction, trk = track,

encl = enclosed, CW = Chiltern Way, TBT = The Bunyan Trail,

CP = checkpoint, m = metres, KM = kilometres,

CB:320 = compass bearing 320

Each paragraph starts with distance (**0.5M**) in miles and a six figure grid reference.

**0.0M** TL 082 306 **Barton Village Hall**

Leave Barton Village Hallsite and **TR** on pavement. At NO ENTRY RD signs **BR,** pass the Café Goa on your R. At mini roundabout **X** RD and **AH** into Sharpenhoe Road. Follow RD for 600m going over RD bridge to FP sign, **TR** down steps.

**0.5M** TL 076 308 **BR** to culvert and **BL** with stream on R. In 30m enter field at WM and immed **½L** (CB:295) **X** field to WM at drive. **X** drive to go **thru** KG. **BR** (CB:280) pass tree to KG in corner, **thru**. **AH** on narrow path, over cross trk, to field. **X** field (CB:240) aiming just L of 4th electric pole to WM (broken) at FB. **X** FB and **TR** on encl trk to main RD.

**1.1M** TL 067 306 **TR** on grass verge, **X** RD when safe*.* 80m after speed restriction sign, at FP sign(CW), **TL** uphill. At WM in corner **AH** to climb steps. At WM at Y jnt (steps to L) **BR.**  Either skirt woods on narrow path with wire fence on R or use parallel path just inside wood. In 300m **AH** with open area on L to meet grass trk from L. **AH** 20m to WM(CW/TBT) where **TR** down steps. Follow path until WM (CW/TBT) at Tjnt where **TR** on tarmac. **Thru** metal gate, then **thru** 2nd metal gate to reach RD.

**2.0M** TL 065 295 **½L** **X** RD, climb steps and **thru** KG. **½L** (CB:180) **X** field to KG. **Thru** and **BR** pass WM (TBT/CW). **AH** with wire fence on L. At end of fence **TR** and in 5m **BL** on path thru woods. In 330m at WM **TR** (CB:20) down short then long flights of steps. In150m **X** trk, exit wood and enter field**.**

**2.6M** TL 061 292 **AH** hedge on R for 400m to reach and **X** FB on R. **AH** hedge on R for 250m to WM (currently missing) at gap/bridge on R. **X** bridge and immed **TL**. Hedge now on L for 1KM to WM (currently missing) at gap in hedge, **TL** to **X** FB and **TL** with hedge/stream on L. In 400m **X** FB to RD.

**3.9M** TL 046 303 **X** RD and pass gate. **AH** with hedge on R for 150m to WM at gap, **thru** gap, **TL,** hedge now on L. In 250m at field corner **TR**, hedge then trees on L. In 400m **thru** gate to RD, **TL**. In 15m at FP sign **TL** ontoencl path**.** At end of encl path **TR** before litter bin/seats.

At next litter bin **BR** over FB. **X** RD into Lincoln Way opposite. At 2nd RD on L, Monmouth Road, **TL**. At Tjnt **TR** and in 60m, by house number 106, **X** RD.

**4.6M**  TL 040 309 Enter encl path by dog bin(TBT).

**You now follow the TBT until CP1**

At end of encl path, **AH** fence on R. At field corner **thru** barrier and immed **TL**. In 240m at WM go **thru** gap. **AH** with hedge on L. When hedge turns L at WM, **BR** (CB:315) **X** field to WM. **Thru** gap in hedge and **AH** (CB:345) to meet hedge on R, **BL**. When hedge ends **AH** across field to WM, thru trees and at field **TL**. At metal fence **TR** to RD.

**5.9M**  TL 036 323 **TL** under railway bridge. **AH** to main RD. Using Pelican crossing on R, **X** into Church Road opposite. **AH** along Church Road. 10m after 2nd RD on L (The Pound) **BR** to cross Village Hall car park to CP 1

**6.3M**  TL 031 326 **CP 1 Westoning Village Hall**

**Opens 09.30 Closes 11.30**

***Do not follow 26/18 mile routes which turn right here.***

Exit CP and immed **TL** with hedge of L**.** At end of hedge, **TL** thru bollards onto tarmac path. At RD **TR.** In 100m **TR** into Sanderson RD. At jnt on R, **AH** into Sanderson Close. **TR** with RD and then **TL** along pathway under arch to main RD. **TR** along main RD. **X** RD using Pelican crossing and **TR**. In 15M **TL** into Sampshill Road. In 350m go under railway bridge.

**6.7M**  TL 036 323 In 500m at multi jnt **TL** still on RD. In 400m at next jnt with WM, **BL** onto BW(TBT)/trk leaving RD. In 50m at WM **TR** on encl BW. At end of encl path **AH** uphill, hedge on R. In 350m, at WM, **TR** thru gate. Follow encl path **thru** second gate. **AH** and in 400m reach RD.

**8.1M**  TL 052 331 **TR** on RD. In 1.2Km just after water tower on L and speed restriction ahead, **TR** into Blackhill Lane.

***26/18 mile routes rejoin here.***

**Pass** to L of barrier and **follow** main trk as it turns L downhill. At trk Tjnt **AH** **thru** gap or KG and **X** field to go **thru** gap by overgrown KG. Pass buildings and pond on your R and **thru** gateway on trk. In 1Km pass WM on your L. In 80, at WM (broken) **TR** over FB.

**10.1M**  TL 074 325 **Thru** saplings, **X** field (CB:140) to WM (missing) on far side. **AH** to **X** FB, up steps and **BR**. In 200m pass FP on L and **AH** 170m to RD. **TR** on pavement.

**10.7M**  TL 076 316 In 70m **X** RD to FP sign and **X** bridge.  **X** field (CB:200) to WM, **thru** trees, **X** FB to field. **AH** with hedge on R. In corner **TL** with hedge on R. In 250m, at corner,**TR** on gravel path. In 200m **TL** over FB and **TR**. In 180m at WM **TR** and in 10m **TL** up steps to RD.

**11.5M**  TL 076 307 **TL** on pavement over bridge and in 600m at mini roundabout **X** RD. **TR** and **BL** into one way street. Follow pavement as it **BL** and in 30m **TL** to Barton Village Hall and finish. **WELL DONE**

**BARTON VILLAGE HALL Total 12.0 miles**