**Digswell Circular, Sunday 29th March 2009**

29 walkers, 21.5 miles – leader Denis Smith

We had a cloudy but dry day. We started off with 29, went through Digswell Woods, Welwyn, Ayot St Peter, the disused Hertford-Luton railway, and had a stop at Ayot St Lawrence by the Paladin Church. One Herts member found the pace (5.2kmh) faster than she expected and decided to take a taxi to her home (about 7km). We crossed the Mimram again at Kimpton Mill, and made our way through the edge of Codicote to Rabley Heath, a village comprising about 20 large houses and one pub, the Robin Hood and Little John, where we lunched. We made our way by Woolmer Green and Datchworth Church to Watton-at-Stone, where another walker had to drop out with blisters; she and her sister took the train from there back to London. We stopped again on Datchworth Green and the remaining 26 continued along permissive paths back to Digswell. We had walked almost 35km and Hertfordshire’s gently rolling hills had given us over 400 metres of ascent.