

PICKS BARN NORTH LUFFENHAM ROAD

Route Information

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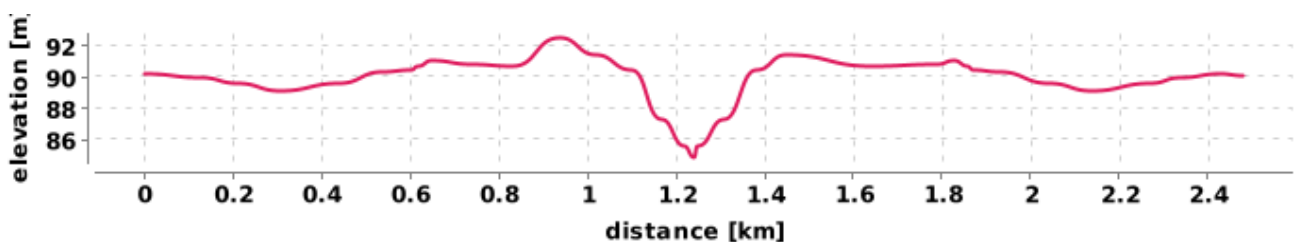
Although this shortest route from Picks Barn is an 'out and back' walk along the narrow road to North Luffenham, it offers a quick and easy burst of exercise with some great views - the kids can jump on their bikes or even skate - but watch/listen out on the bend for any traffic.

Birders will savour the opportunity to spot various species, from small hedgerow inhabitants to large birds of prey!

Route Summary

Total Distance	2.48 km (1.54 mi)
Elevation	85 m at lowest point 93 m at highest point
Total Ascent	7 m

Elevation Profile



Route Card

#	OS Grid Ref	Dist from start	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation
1	SK 911 042 Picks Barn Start	0 km	52° 37' 42" N	0° 39' 19" W	90 m
Enjoy your walk! Dist to next: 0.31 km , Ascent to next: -1 m					
2	SK 913 041 The Breaches - Shelter Belt	0.31 km	52° 37' 39" N	0° 39' 4" W	89 m

This large field called 'The Breaches' is divided by an equally large shelter belt offering crop protection and reducing soil erosion, along with obvious benefits for wildlife. To the north across 'Highways' is the Lyndon Barns commercial site and Lyndon Farms base.

Dist to next: **0.43 km**, Ascent to next: **2 m**

3 **SK 918 040** **0.74** km 52° 37' 36" N 0° 38' 42" W **91** m

The First Gate!

We have always called this the 'first gate' so the kids know how far we are going or where to stop! As a private farmland entrance, please do not park in the gateway or walk down the track even if the gates are open.

If you wonder what the concrete construction is behind the fence, that is where the Anglian Water Pipeline passes beneath the land on its way from Rutland Water to the Wing Water Treatment Works, before then going on as far as Hannington (Northants). Up to 70 million litres of water can be pumped through here daily!

Dist to next: **0.2** km, Ascent to next: **2** m

4 **SK 920 040** **0.94** km 52° 37' 36" N 0° 38' 31" W **93** m

The Second Gate

Have you noticed the naming pattern yet?!? This private gateway allows machinery to access 'Great Ground' and 'Luffenham Close' - two relatively large arable fields farmed by Lyndon. It's a great place to stop and savour the view across to Pilton, and it's always a sure bet to spot some birds.

Dist to next: **0.3** km, Ascent to next: **-8** m

5 **SK 922 040** **1.24** km 52° 37' 34" N 0° 38' 16" W **85** m

The Third Gate!

And here you are at the final private farm gateway leading into the end of 'Notwells', and on the far side of the spinney is 'North Bushes'. Turn around here and head back to the barn or descend further on the road towards North Luffenham, but be aware that it's a bit of a drawn-out climb to return!

Dist to next: **1.24** km, Ascent to next: **5** m

6 **SK 910 042** **2.48** km 52° 37' 43" N 0° 39' 20" W **90** m

Picks Barn End

Well done, you've made it back to the barn!