

Route Information

Picks Barn North Luffenham & Pilton

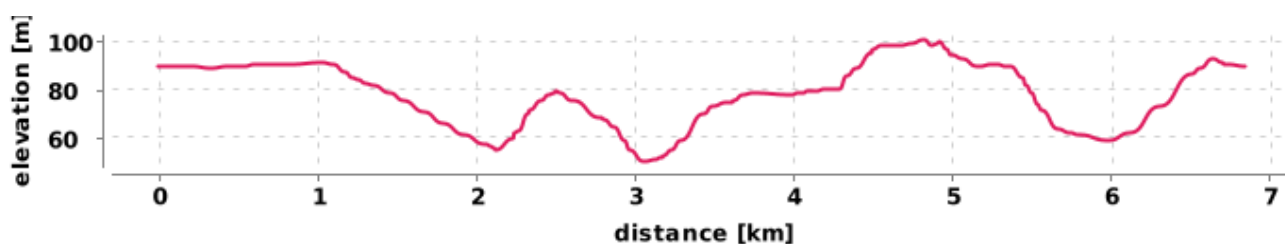
One of the longer walks from Picks Barn, but the quiet, easy-going country roads make it a great choice should you wish to avoid soft ground conditions.

You can enjoy open countryside views of the Chater Valley from both the north and south elevations, and you will also pass through the lovely villages of North Luffenham and Pilton.

Route Summary

Total Distance	6.85 km (4.26 mi)
Elevation	51 m at lowest point
	101 m at highest point
Total Ascent	107 m

Elevation Profile



Route Card

#	OS Grid Ref	Dist from start	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation
1	SK 910 042 Picks Barn Start	0 km	52° 37' 42" N	0° 39' 19" W	90 m
	Enjoy your walk! Dist to next: 1.54 km , Ascent to next: -15 m				
2	SK 925 038 The Shires	1.54 km	52° 37' 29" N	0° 38' 3" W	76 m

You're now about at the end of 'Lyndon-shire' and approaching North Luffenham territory!

The road gradually begins to descend as you walk along the avenue of trees.

Dist to next: **0.51 km**, Ascent to next: **-18 m**

3 **SK 928 034** **2.05** km 52° 37' 16" N 0° 37' 45" W **58** m
Sewell's Hill

Named after the family at Manor Farm (on the left as you enter North Luffenham). It's a bit of a climb – a 20m ascent to the top!

Dist to next: **0.46** km, Ascent to next: **22** m

4 **SK 933 034** **2.51** km 52° 37' 14" N 0° 37' 22" W **80** m
Glebe Road

You've made it! Now turn right and make your way down Glebe Road.

Dist to next: **0.28** km, Ascent to next: **-11** m

5 **SK 931 033** **2.79** km 52° 37' 11" N 0° 37' 33" W **69** m
The Pastures

Overlooking the pasture land is this lovely property, The Pastures, built for Mrs G Conant in the early 1900s.

Dist to next: **0.29** km, Ascent to next: **-18** m

6 **SK 929 030** **3.07** km 52° 37' 3" N 0° 37' 40" W **51** m
River Chater

You are now crossing The Chater - sometimes merely a stream but transformed into a full-flowing river in heavy or prolonged rainfall periods.

Dist to next: **0.35** km, Ascent to next: **20** m

7 **SK 929 027** **3.43** km 52° 36' 52" N 0° 37' 45" W **70** m
Pilton Road X-Roads

You've now made it to the southern side of the Chater Valley and are about at the halfway point.

Dist to next: **0.67** km, Ascent to next: **9** m

8 **SK 922 026** **4.09** km 52° 36' 50" N 0° 38' 20" W **79** m
Pilton Quarry

Little evidence remains of the fifty years of ironstone extraction that concluded in 1969, but at this point, you are crossing over the bridge where the tramway beneath connected to the rail network.

Dist to next: **0.41** km, Ascent to next: **17** m

9 **SK 918 026** **4.5** km 52° 36' 50" N 0° 38' 41" W **96** m
The Corner

You are now at the highest point on the walk - it's a lovely place to stop and take in the view of North Luffenham to

the northeast, and you'll be able to spot Picks Barn and Lyndon to the northwest.

Dist to next: **0.41** km, Ascent to next: **3** m

10 **SK 914 028** **4.91** km **52° 36' 55" N** **0° 39' 0" W** **100** m
Pilton

You are now at the lovely village of Pilton - turn right at the crossroads and walk through on the narrow road. Supposedly, Pilton means 'farm/settlement with a creek' - assuming The River Chater is the creek!

Dist to next: **0.47** km, Ascent to next: **-10** m

11 **SK 911 031** **5.38** km **52° 37' 5" N** **0° 39' 17" W** **90** m
The Lookout

This is a great place to stop and enjoy the view across to Lyndon - these pastures are full of playful lambs in springtime! You're about to descend 30m relatively quickly...so get ready!

Dist to next: **0.37** km, Ascent to next: **-28** m

12 **SK 910 034** **5.76** km **52° 37' 15" N** **0° 39' 24" W** **62** m
Pilton Rd Railway Bridge

Have fun shouting under this arched bridge as the echoes ring out nicely! The double-tracked railway connects Peterborough to Manton Junction, hence the bridge name PMJ-51.

Dist to next: **0.22** km, Ascent to next: **-3** m

13 **SK 908 035** **5.98** km **52° 37' 21" N** **0° 39' 32" W** **59** m
Pooh Stick Bridge

You're at the bottom of the Chater Valley and about to cross the river again before climbing back up to Lyndon for well-deserved rest and refreshment - but before you do, be sure to race some sticks beneath the bridge!

Dist to next: **0.72** km, Ascent to next: **32** m

14 **SK 909 043** **6.71** km **52° 37' 44" N** **0° 39' 26" W** **91** m
Lyndon

You've made it back to Lyndon! If you have any remaining energy, walk up Post Office Lane to look at the many beautiful properties...if not, take the right-hand turn and head back to the barn.

Dist to next: **0.15** km, Ascent to next: **-1** m

15 **SK 910 042** **6.85** km **52° 37' 43" N** **0° 39' 20" W** **90** m
Picks Barn End

And you've made it back to the barn - grab yourself some refreshments from the café and enjoy the view across

the Chater Valley.