

Bull's Bushes Copse Extension

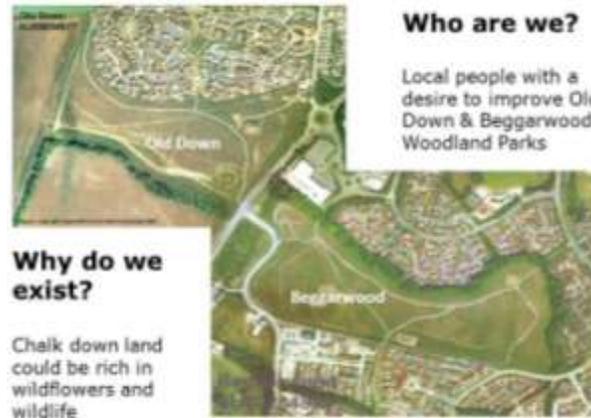
At **P2** Puzzle Corner cross the road and continue ahead. Pass the last property on your left continuing through fields on both sides to corner of Bull's Bushes Copse at **B1**. Turn left at **B1** for a shorter walk with wood on your right to **B3** or, continue with wood on left and then for a short distance on right as well.

At **B2** about 10 metres from road, turn left into wood. Almost immediately cross over another path and continue to a T junction. Turn right, head to corner of wood with road and houses beyond. At the edge of the wood turn left to stay on path and with a fence between you and the road. Bear right slightly when you reach corner where road swings to right. Go through gate, bear left and go through another gate 10 - 15 metres away. Continue with wood to left. Exit through gate at end of wood. You are now at **B3**.

Turn sharp right with field to left and trees to your right. At the end of the field turn left with the same field on your left and now a rough grass margin and field to your right. At the hedge ahead of you bear left and then immediately right through a wide gap and continue with a new hedge on your left. South Wood is ahead, turn right along its edge to the corner and turn left. Continue with wood and short open space between 2 parts of the wood on your left. Follow the edge of the wood and the path when it drops back about 10 metres. At the end of the wood stay with a hedge on your left as you drop down to a gate and a private road going left. Turn left up the road to Southwood Farm. Bear left at corner to arrive at **P3** and signpost. Turn right.

Old Down & Beggarwood Wildlife Group

Old Down and Beggarwood Woodland Parks have ideal soils for restoring many of our wildflowers and the wildlife they support. People can benefit too from the colour and interest and the butterflies, birds and more that are returning. We encourage families with children and community groups from pre-school upwards to come to Old Down and Beggarwood to learn about our natural world.



Get Involved?

If you would like more information please contact: odandbwd@googlemail.com or visit our website <http://www.old-down.org.uk>

Where is Old Down?

Old Down is beside the A30 west of Basingstoke 1 mile from Junction 7 of the M3. The main access is via Old Down Hall at the top of Kempshott Lane.



Walk from Old Down to Pardown or Bull's Bushes Copse

Circular walk from Old Down of about 6.5 kms and 2.5 hours or 11 kms and 3.75 hrs.

Boots or wellies recommended in wet weather.



Smalls Copse

Green lanes, woodlands with bluebells, open fields and an ancient Roman Road.



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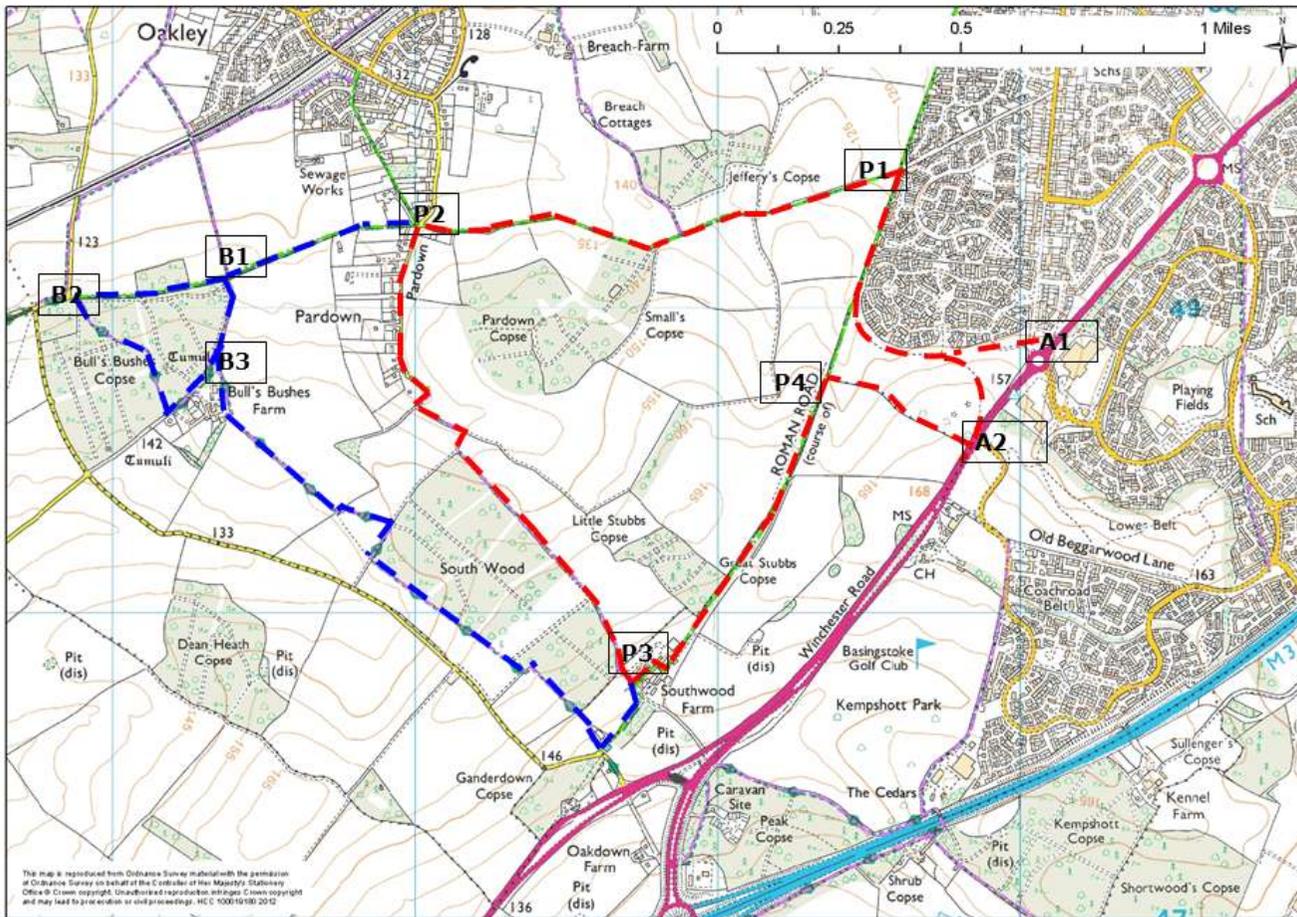
To Pardown

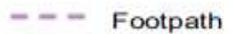
This walk uses public open space, public footpaths, bridleways and a quiet lane.

The walk begins at **A1**, Old Down Community Hall or **A2** an access to Old Down on the A30 opposite Beggarwood. **A1** and **A2** join up on the way to the western edge of Old Down, the line of the old Roman road between Silchester and Winchester. Exit from Old Down on the hard path through the hedge and on to **P1**. When this path crosses another, turn left with hedge to right and continue all the way to Small's Copse. Entering the copse take the right hand path all the way to **P2** - Puzzle Corner.

You are in Pardown. Turn left onto road if following the Pardown Walk. (If continuing to Bull's Bushes Copse follow extension). At the end of the road take a footpath bearing left. With a property to your right turn right at the corner of the field and left shortly after to keep the wooded line to your right. Turn right through the gap in the tree line at the sign to go to the corner of South Wood. Continue with South Wood to your right, crossing a small open space, all the way to Southwood Farm. Pass through the farm gateway, downhill a short way. Turn left at the footpath sign **P3**.

Pass an old green petrol pump and buildings. Turn right at the end and then almost immediately left. You are now again on the route of the old Roman road. After a short distance the track bears right but keep left so that Little Stubbs Copse is on your left. Enter a narrow wooded tree belt and continue to **P4**. At the corner of the wood, before the open space of Old Down, turn right and continue through mature wood to the A30. Turn left to **A2**. People starting at **A1** can cross the open space from **A2** to **A1**.



-  Footpath 
 -  Bridleway   
 -  Pardown
 -  Bull's Bushes Copse extension
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Small's Copse in the distance.



Bull's Bushes Copse.