

walks around Chapel-en-le-Frith

Capital of the Peak



Chapel-en-le-Frith nestles within the dramatic landscape of the Peak District providing a welcome respite from the moorland peaks with its acclaimed restaurants, traditional pubs, shops and fascinating history.



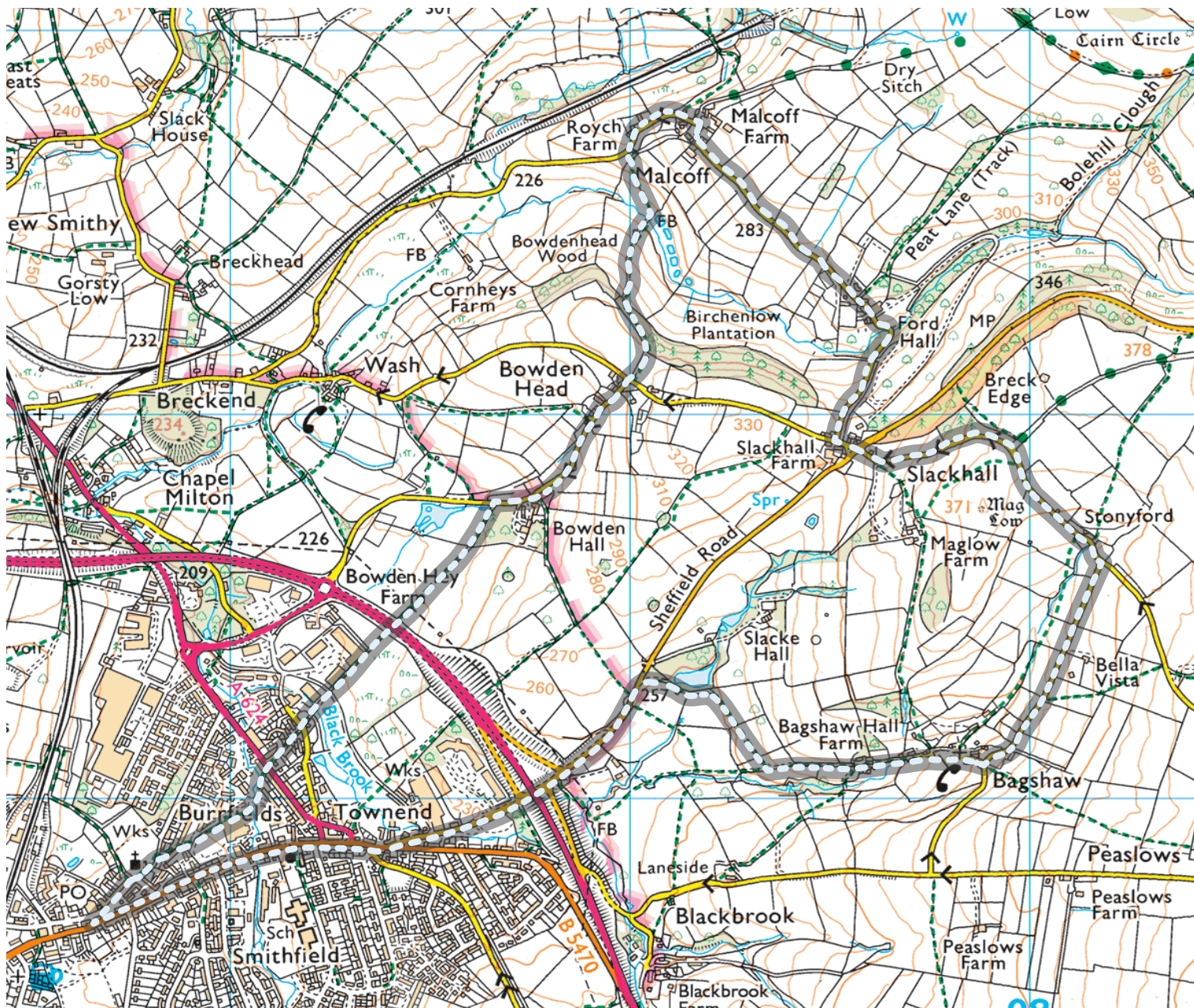
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F The Five Halls Walk

Distance: **5 miles. 2 hours.**

Terrain: Paths, roads and bridleways.
940 ft ascent.

Parking: Town centre and Thornbrook Road.



Halls of the old 'Squires' of the area and lovely views of pretty hamlets.

From **Market Place** head alongside **St Thomas Becket Church**. At end of railings turn right on downhill path to houses. Turn left then right to continue downhill. Stay on footpath, crossing brook right at first bridge then cross Hayfield Road into The Crescent. Walk ahead on footpath crossing Bowden Lane, stile and **Peak Forest Tramway**. **!!! Cross bypass with care !!!** Continue ahead to Bowden Lane. Turn right to **Bowden Hall** on right.

Walk up hill on road to Bowden Head. Right of T junction, go through gate onto footpath, with wall on your left to Bowden Wood. Take path through wood to cross stile.

Go downhill with fence on your right, cross bridge over stream, take track up hill and turn left through corner gate. Turn right along road to **Malcoff**, then onto Ford and **Ford Hall**.

Follow road over stream and hill to Slack. Turn left at top to **Slack Hall**. Cross main road and head uphill, after ½ mile turn right on road to Mag Low (prehistoric tumulus) and along lane to Stoneyford. Turn right at junction and head downhill to Bagshaw. As road bears left turn right downhill past Methodist Chapel, and on to **Bagshaw Hall**.

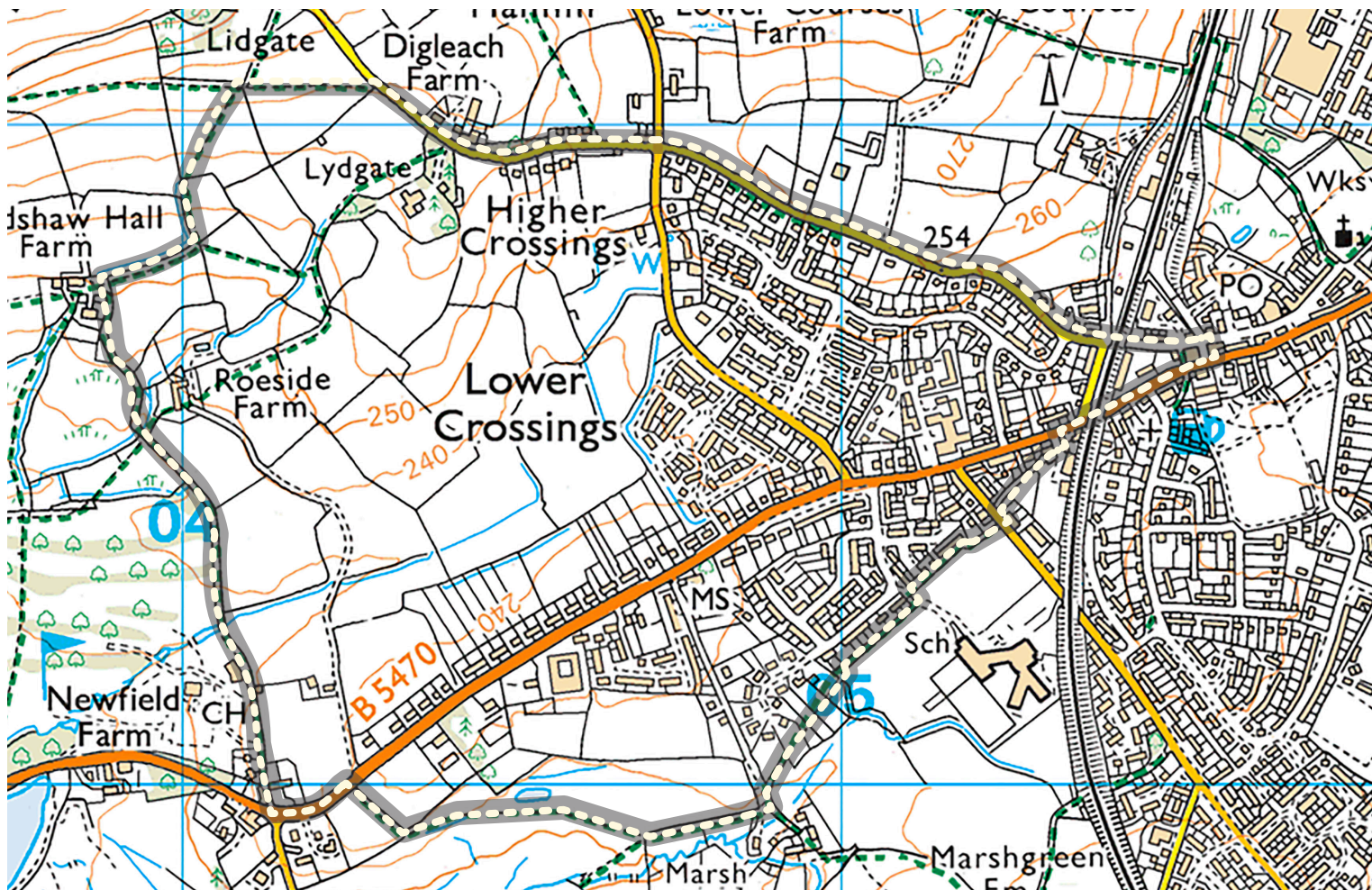
Continue ahead on track, through gate. Follow path right then left, with wall on right, to Sheffield Road. The house on right is **New Slack Hall**. Turn left downhill on Sheffield Road, turn right at T junction and uphill back to town centre.

B Bradshaw Hall Walk

Distance: **3¼ miles / 1¼ hours.**

Terrain: Paths and roads.
300 ft ascent.

Parking: Town centre and Thornbrook Road.



Lovely views of Bradshaw Hall. See Combs Moss and Reservoir and take in Eccles Pike with its full panorama.

Follow Eccles Road between Kings Arms and Co-op and continue, over cross-roads at Higher Crossings and straight, uphill past Digleach Farm and Lydgate House to signposted footpath on left *. Walk diagonally across field and over wall stile, then diagonally left across field to the corner to cross stile by remains of stone wall. Over stile keep straight ahead, with ditch and trees on your right through next stile. Turn immediately right, keep close to hedge, follow the path to squeezer stile at **Bradshaw Hall**. Turn left through wooden gate onto the lane that passes the front of Hall.

Leave Bradshaw Hall by access lane and follow, passing the golf course on your right to main road. Turn left and walk for 150 metres, cross road to join signposted footpath, then straight ahead to the next

stile onto the golf course. Cross golf course diagonally left, keeping left of drainage ditch and following marker posts towards corner formed by the hedge on the far side.

!!! Keep your eye open for golfers and golf balls while on the course !!!

Cross stile in the hedge and go straight ahead keeping hedge on your left, over stile alongside gate, through next gate and over next stile at end of field onto lane. Turn left then soon right onto next path, along back gardens of houses. Continue ahead to school fence, turn left with fence then right to go alongside school field with houses on your left. Turn right at small parking area to follow path to Long Lane. Cross road and turn left to soon join footpath on right to main road and turn right, under railway bridge back to **Market Place**.

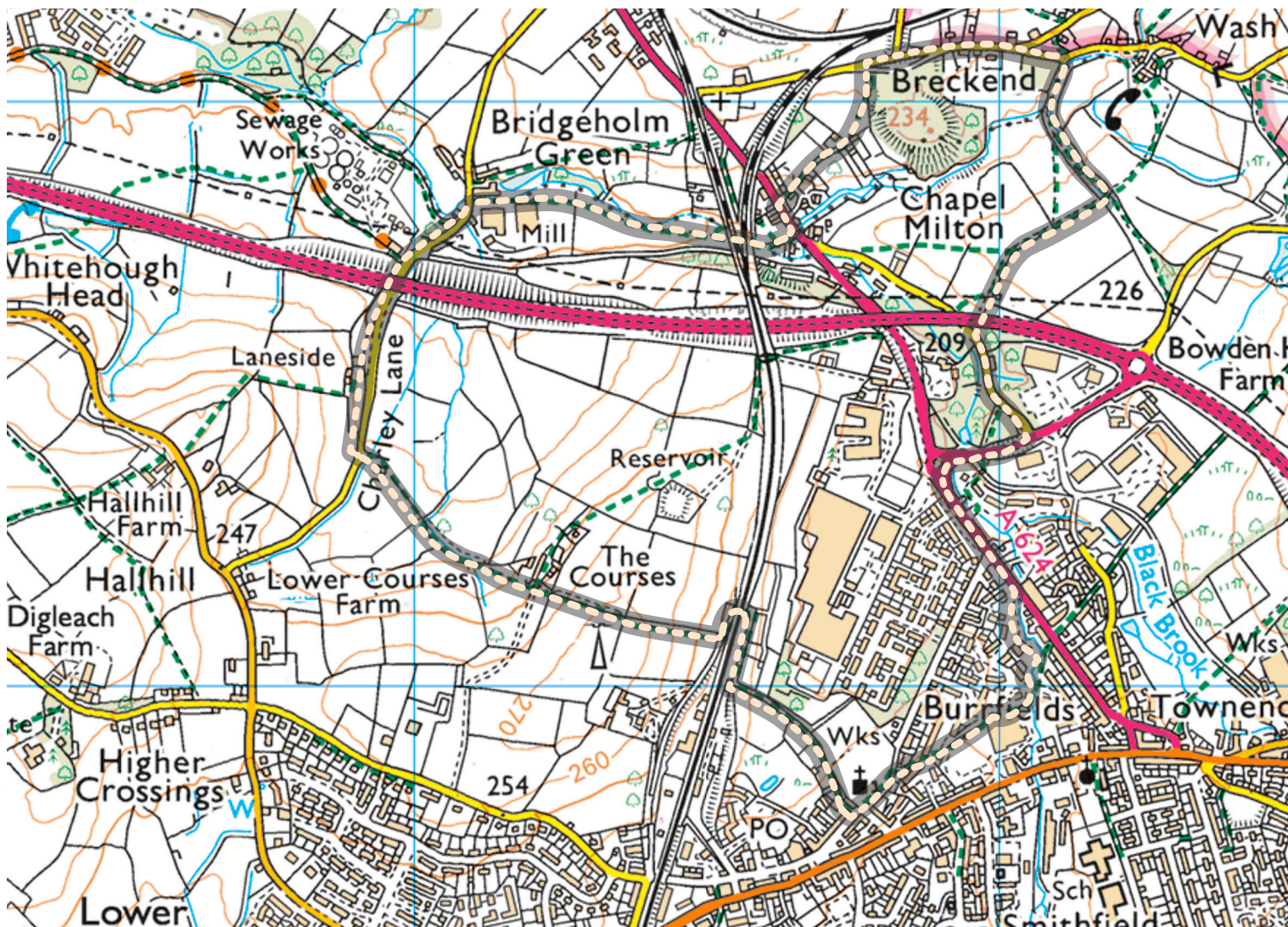
* **Eccles Pike** is a further half a mile up the hill and offers far-reaching views of the surrounding area.

W Wash Walk

Distance: **3 miles. 1½ hours.**

Terrain: Paths, roads and bridleways.
475 ft ascent.

Parking: Town centre and Thornbrook Road.



Beautiful views of the Hamlet of Wash with views of St Thomas Becket Church.

From **Market Place** head alongside **St Thomas Becket Church**. At end of railings turn right on downhill path to houses. Turn left then right to continue downhill, straight across quiet road, following stream to main road. Turn left along road, right at roundabout, then left into Bowden Lane. Follow past cottages, passing Stoddart House on left. Just before bypass bridge turn right through wall stile. Walk straight up two fields and turn left on path beyond gate to follow path along brook, cross wooden bridge over stream into the hamlet of **Wash**. Wash can be explored by turning right and walk continues left uphill on the road.

Keep left on road at first junction and before second junction turn left through wall stile onto public footpath, through gate and across old recreation ground to Chapel

Milton. Turn right at track and left at main road. Cross road to lane under viaducts to stream. Follow path under viaduct, through gate and across field to **Bridgeholm Green**. At road turn left, past **Peak Forest Tramway** * on right to continue on road under road bridge past Laneside House. After 150m take footpath on left at bend into fields. Pass through two gates keeping hedge on right, and cross stile on right before third gate. Follow hedge, now on left, then fence up hill and cross over drive by entrance to The Courses. Continue uphill, over stile, straight ahead past lone ash tree, up field and over wall stile (note holes in stones). Walk straight down hill with wall on left and over stile into lane. Turn left and follow path under railway bridge, then right to keep allotments on your left, and along down hill to **Church Lane** and back up to **Market Place**.

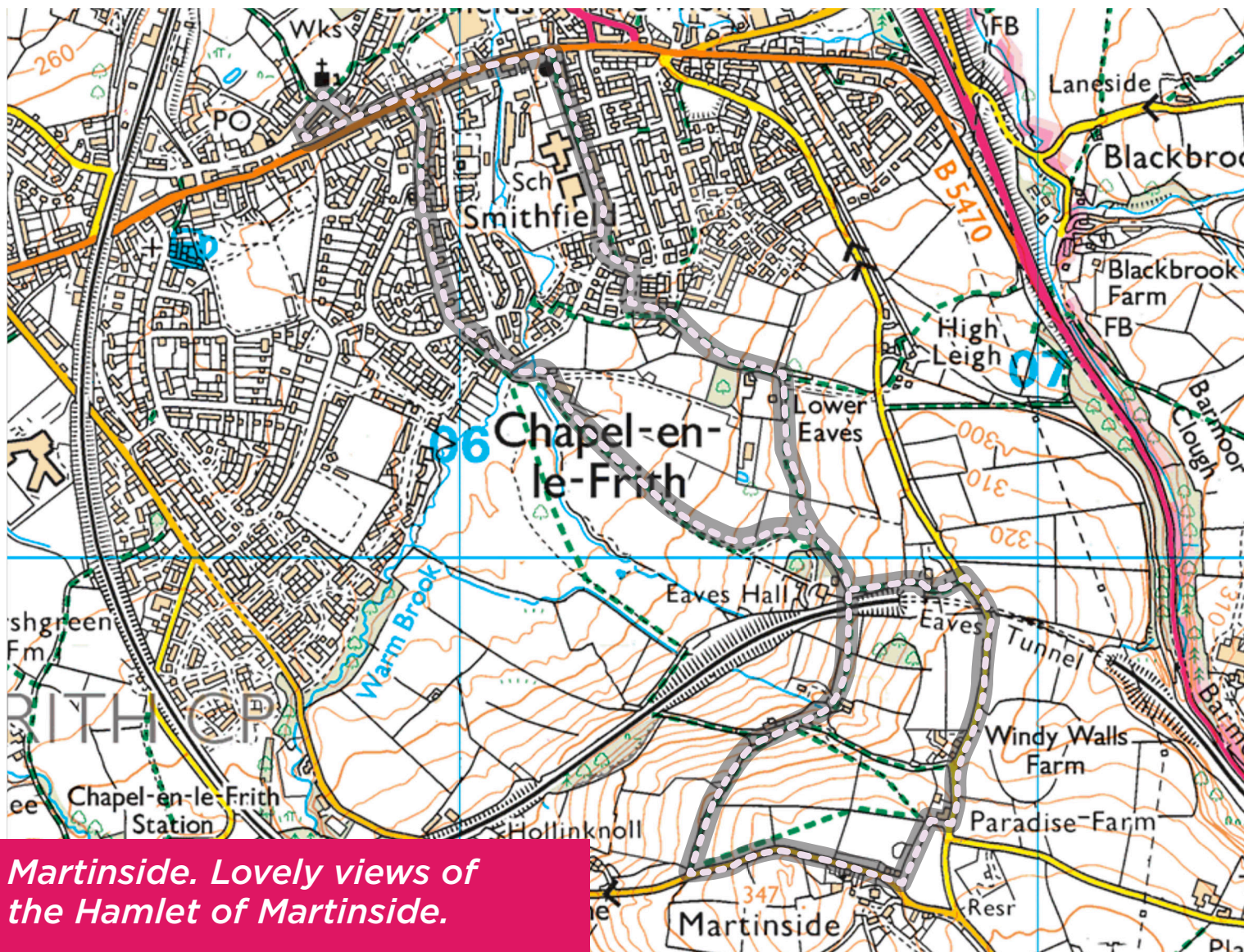
* From Bridgeholm Green the tramway is now a footpath which can be followed past the water works and on into Chinley (1½ miles).

M Martinside Walk

Distance: **3¼ miles. 1¼ hours.**

Terrain: Paths and roads.
500 ft ascent.

Parking: Town centre and Thornbrook Road.



Martinside. Lovely views of the Hamlet of Martinside.

From Post Office leave **Market Place** right of Old Cell Ale Bar down Penny Lane then left along cobbled Terrace Road. At end turn right then left along Market Street, passing Town Hall on right, petrol station on left, and further on to Methodist Church in Town End. Turn right to pass between Church and former Sunday School buildings and follow footpath past to Warmbrook Junior School and Infants School. Keep ahead then take left into Moss View Road, then right into Thornell Close. At end of Close take footpath on left, passing left of Warmbrook Barn.

Follow path uphill with wall on your right to stile in the wall opposite **Lower Eaves**. Cross stile and turn left uphill. Follow wall right round rear of Lower Eaves and continue ahead across field*, cross wall then walk diagonal left and behind Eaves Hall. Over stile to railway line. Turn left before bridge and follow wall uphill to stile alongside a gate. Go over stile and ahead onto Ashbourne Lane. Turn

right on lane and follow round a right hand bend to reach Windy Walls Farm on right, and continue to Paradise Farm also on right. Immediately after Paradise Farm turn right onto lane and follow round to left to hamlet of Martinside.

Turn right and walk down road. At signposted track on right, follow this track down to bend right, straight past cottages on left and down drive to Higher Eaves Farm. Go through Farm's gate on right then keep left on footpath immediately next to farmhouse, through gate onto field path. Walk straight ahead passing through gate in wall to wall stile onto railway bridge. Cross bridge and go ahead to pass back round rear of Eaves Hall bearing left through gate to join footpath right down Eaves Drive to Park Road. Go straight through to Market Street and turn left back to **Market Place**.

* If this field has cows, for alternative route carry on lane up hill and round to right to join Ashbourne Lane.

R Ridge Hall Walk

Distance: 4¼ miles. 1¾ hours.

Terrain: Paths and roads.
650 ft ascent.

Parking: Town centre and Thornbrook Road.



*Ridge hall via sittinglow.
Lovely views. Cowlow,
ventilation shaft.*

From Post Office leave **Market Place** right of Old Cell Ale Bar down Penny Lane then left along cobbled Terrace Road. At end turn right then left along Market Street, passing Town Hall on right, soon after which turn right at bollarded entrance into Park Road. Go ahead to end of Road onto narrow lane leading to stream. Go through metal gate on right, then bear left following marker posts up field passing the site of now demolished **Target Wall**. Head for top right hand corner of field, keeping left of hedgerow. Turn right following path alongside railway embankment, left under bridge and up old Green Way. At Higher Eaves pass to right of the house to lane. Go left for 30metres then through very narrow slot stile in wall on right*. Go left keeping approx 15m out from wall. Walk ahead to stile at junction of wall and fence. Cross stile and

go diagonally right up field to right hand corner with gate and step stile to left. Cross stile and turn left at track to join Ashbourne Lane at Paradise Farm. Turn right on lane and follow round to join another lane, just above hamlet of **Martinside**. Turn left and walk up road to Sittinglow Farm on your left. Opposite farm entrance turn right though metal gate onto signposted path. Follow path to **ventilation shaft** for railway tunnel.

Follow path to right around the base of **Cowlow Hill**, ahead crossing two wall stiles and one wooden stile then left down to wall stile and turn right onto Cowlow Lane. In about 200 metres turn right down signposted tarmac lane, leading down to **Ridge Hall**. Bear left at Hall and continue the walk down lane to **Railway Station**. Cross the railway by crossing and go down station approach road to Long Lane. Take Alston Road ahead and go through housing estates where Rowton Grange Road brings you out opposite where you started.

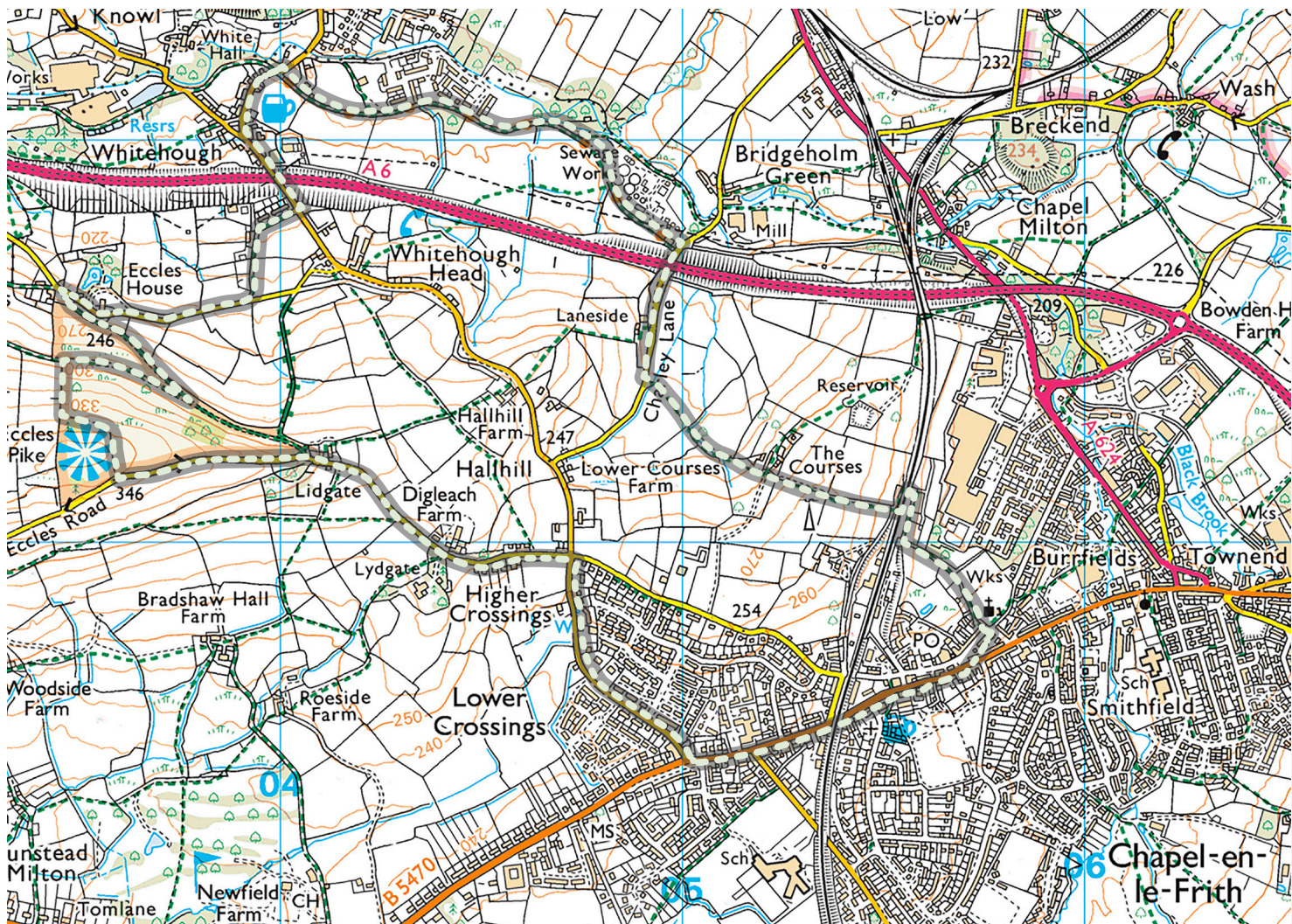
*If this field has cows, alternatively continue on road and turn right at Ashbourne Lane.

E Eccles House Walk

Distance: **5 miles. 2 hours.**

Terrain: Paths, bridleways and roads.
830 ft ascent.

Parking: Town centre and Thornbrook Road.



Eccles house via the courses returning via eccles pike. Lovely views. Nanny's Well, Whitehough and Peak Forest Tramway.

The walk commences in **Market Place** by the Post Office. Go towards church gates and just before on left go down narrow **Church Lane**, turn right at the top by railway embankment, past the Courses allotments on right. Under railway bridge, follow track left for 40 metres to cross stile on right, and follow path upwards with wall on your right to wall stile in corner. Cross stile and go straight across field, passing solitary old tree to stile in hedge. Cross stile to go down straight across Higher Courses driveway and down field with hedge on right to stile in hedge on right. Over stile turn left, keep hedge on your left to gate into a green lane. Go ahead to next gate and onwards to turn right on Charley Lane. **!!! Road can be busy !!!** Go downhill under bypass bridge. In 30 metres turn left onto signposted **Peak Forest Tramway** and

ahead past sewage works on right. Continue on track to main road from Chapel to Chinley. Turn left up hill through the Hamlet of **Whitehough**.

Over bypass bridge, turn right along Eccles Terrace. At end of lane turn left up field to tree lined lane. Turn right past gates to Eccles House and go on to tiny hamlet and turn left behind Moulton Farm Cottage, through bridle gate onto National Trust land to bridleway uphill. In approx 300m join another track coming from right. Turn right and walk back along track above. In 300m ignore gate 20m in front of you, but turn left uphill with the wall on your right and climb to viewpoint of **Eccles Pike**. From viewpoint go down opposite side from where you came up, with ancient pine trees on right, through gate and turn left onto Eccles Road. Follow road downhill to crossroads at Higher Crossings. Turn right and in 200m on left is railed enclosure for **Nanny's Well**. Continue down to the main road and turn left on Manchester Road back to your starting point at the Market Place.



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Only 25 miles from Sheffield, and less than 20 miles from Manchester, Chapel-en-le-Frith is a hidden gem of a market town, surrounded by the Peak District National Park, nestling within a dramatic landscape.

Chapel provides a welcome respite from the moorland peaks with its acclaimed restaurants, traditional pubs, shops, and fascinating history.

- 7 local walks from 1 to 5 miles
- Quality pubs, cafés and restaurants
- Fascinating historical heritage

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