

Walk Report for 26th November 2023 at Alice Holt Forest, Frensham Common and the Wrecclesham Area

On 26 November, three walkers met at a small parking area on Gravel Hill Road, Bentley, to start our walk in Alice Holt Forest. On a cool but dry day we were looking forward to a varied walk of approx 11 miles, with forest, common, fields, woodland and riverside, and were not disappointed. Forecast had suggested risk of rain later in the day, but it remained dry.

Our walk took us through Alice Holt on a mixture of gravel and some muddy paths towards Dockenfield, past Frensham Manor then onto Frensham Common. We were certainly not tempted by the water in the Great Pond as we walked past, but stopped in the picnic area for an early lunch. Continuing on sandy paths uphill on the common, we then headed towards Rowledge and Wrecclesham, where we stopped for a welcome coffee and cake at Farnham pottery.

Walk then took us downhill from Wrecclesham to a path parallel to the railway until we walked under a rail bridge to follow a grassy riverside path to Bentley Mill then uphill to finish through woodland to return to the car park.

