



All walks start from the Village Hall car park, which is located just past the Church, on the left-hand side of the road opposite the Village Hall.

The walks are not suitable for wheelchairs.

Dog walkers are asked to respect the farmers by keeping their dogs under control at all times and to use the dog bin which is situated on the wall of the Old Rectory, half way down the main street of the village.

**Walk 4. Sampford Brett, Aller, Williton, Sampford Brett**

Distance 2½ miles

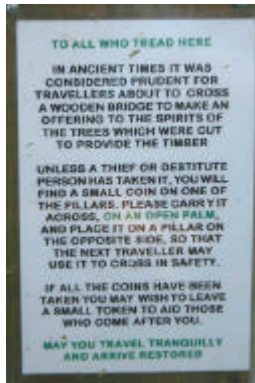
Time 1½ hours

Leave the car park and turn right along the road to the junction by the Church. On the left is the former Village school and Schoolhouse, now private residences. Notice the Coat of arms of Lord St Audries on the wall; he was the benefactor of the school. At the junction turn left and follow the road through the village, this is known as The Street.



At the end notice the building known as **Sampford House** with its blocked window. Follow the road straight ahead, signed as a No Through Road. After passing Brook Cottage turn right at the entrance to Manor Farm where a finger post indicates Aller Farm. There is also a Coleridge Way (a quill logo) sign here. Keep straight ahead and go through the gate with a barn on the right. Follow this path along the bottom edge of the field. This is known as Church Path [WL20/4].

Turn right through the kissing gate and then left past the stream and follow the sign towards the wood. Go through the gate and follow the path through the woods which is a little steep in places. At the T-junction turn left along Aller Lane [WL 20/17]. Along this path there is a wooden bridge with an interesting **notice to travellers** on it.



At the end of Aller Lane, go through the kissing gate and turn right, signed for Monksilver [WL 20/16]. After passing **Aller Farm** turn right where the track divides signed for Williton [WL 20/18]. Follow this track up the hill and alongside the field. There are magnificent views of the Quantock Hills from this point. The track drops down into Williton curving round the vet's premises at Eastfield House.



Keep straight on where the track joins the road to Orchard Wyndham at The Lodge.

*At this point there are no pavements so the walker does need to be aware of traffic.*

On the left is the Mill now operating as the Bakelite Museum. On the right is St. Peter's, the parish church of Williton. At the fork keep to the right with a large triangle of grass in the middle. At the road junction turn right, opposite the old school house, now part of Magna Housing. This is Bridge Street. At the end of Bridge Street turn right up Tower Hill. The house on this corner is believed to have been a Toll House. This is the A358. Pass the Methodist church and a series of semi-detached houses. After passing Chestnut Lodge, situated in an old quarry, turn sharply to the right up the path signed to Aller [WL 20/17]. This is Aller Lane. Shortly after a sharp bend to the right there is a finger post pointing to Sampford Brett which the walker came along earlier. The path passes through a wood. [WL 20/17]. This path is part of the Coleridge Way. There is a short steep stretch, which can be slippery when wet. After going through the kissing gate keep to the right and cross the bridge to the right, go over the stile and turn immediately left following the hedge. This path [WL 20/4] is known as Church Path and leads to Manor Farm. Go through the gate at the farm, across the yard and left where the road leads into the village of Sampford Brett. At the road junction go straight ahead down the street, but take care at the junction as visibility is not good. Half way down the street on the left is the Old Rectory and straight ahead is the parish church dedicated to St George. Inside the church, on the first pew end on the right, is a carving depicting the story of the Sexton who tried to steal a ring with a knife from the finger of Lady Wyndham who was believed to be dead. The cut caused Lady Wyndham to sit up, which so frightened the Sexton he is believed to have fled to Wales. Lady Wyndham, in her funeral shroud, then made her way home to the amazement of the family attending her wake! Not only did she survive but later gave birth to twins.

At the church, turn right and the car park is on the left opposite the Village Hall.