

# Ridgeway and Vale Diabetes Expeditions



<b>Title</b>	<b>Watlington Hill Circular Walk - Oxfordshire</b> <b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019</b>
<b>Walk</b>	Christmas Common – Ridgeway Path – Ewelme Downs – Ewelme Park – Cookley Green – Dumble Dore – Watlington Hill Car Park
<b>Map Sheets</b>	Map Sheet 1:25,000 OS Explorer Series Sheet 171 – Chiltern Hills West
<b>Notes</b>	Parking is free of charge  A circular walk on general easy, gently undulating footpaths, following sections of the Ridgeway FP and Swans Way FP. Sweeping views across the Oxfordshire plain to the towns of Watlington, Wallingford and the village of Benson. The route passes through Ewelme Park and the charming hamlet of Cookley Green.
<b>Start time</b>	Meet at 09.45 am for a 10.00 am start
<b>Start and Finish</b>	Parking at Watlington Hill National Trust Car Park OX49 5HS Grid Reference 710935
<b>Difficulty</b>	Moderate – 10 miles. The village of Cookley Green is a suitable mid point with car parking for those walkers wishing to do a shorter walk (6 miles). Please contact Walk Leader for details.
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<b>Waypoints</b>	<b>Start:</b> From the car park follow the FP descending Watlington Hill to GR696930 follow track Rd Xing to GR 694933. Follow Swan’s Way & Ridgeway FP to GR 666914. Follow Swan’s Way FP to GR 668898. Follow FP in direction of Ewelme Park at GR 674893. Follow FP to hamlet of Cookley Green GR 695902. Follow FP past Coates Farm GR 694909 continue on the FP and Rd Xing to GR 692922. Follow FP to Dumble Dore GR 698926. Follow road to GR 696930 and retrace FP back to car park ascending Watlington Hill. <b>Finish</b>
<b>Getting there from Aylesbury</b>	<b>(Approx 18.1 miles):</b> Follow the A413 from town centre via Stoke Mandeville, onto Little Kimble. Follow B4009 via Chinnor, Lewknor to Watlington. In the centre of Watlington take the Hill Road in the direction of Christmas Common. The car park is on the right hand side before reaching the crest some 1.5 miles from Watlington town centre.
<b>Getting there from Oxford</b>	<b>(Approx 17.3 miles):</b> Follow the A40 then M40 South to Junction 6 and then follow the B4009 in direction of Lewknor and onto Watlington. In the centre of Watlington take the Hill Road in the direction of Christmas Common. The car park is on the right hand side before reaching the crest some 1.5 miles from Watlington town centre.