

# **East Dean & Friston** Parish Council

## Walk # 3

**Three Tapcell Gate Walk from East Dean via Friston, Jevington and back to East Dean.**

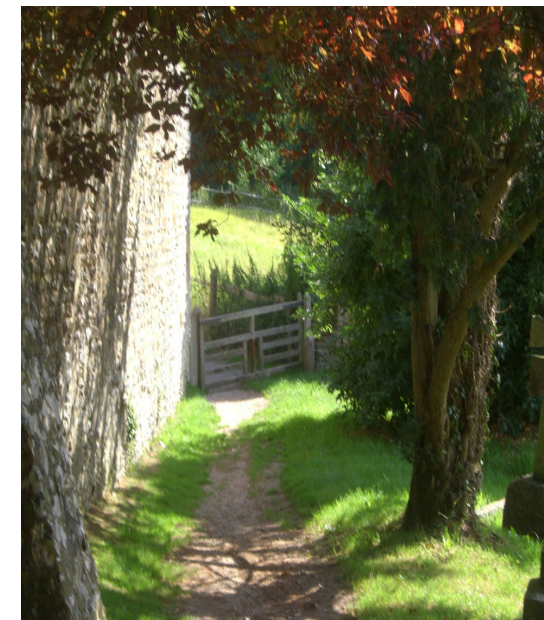
**Distance** 7 miles (11 kms )

**Time** Approx. 4.00 hours

**Difficulty level** Undulating downland, navigation through forest.

2 stiles

**Description** Downland and forest walk visiting three village Churches and their unique Tapcell Gates.





- A. From East Dean car park return to Gilberts Drive turning right by Village Hall and into Church grounds. Leave via the Tapsell gate and turn right up the hill passing Village green and onto Coach House. Turn left up the concrete driveway. **Photo 1**
- B. Continue through gate and up the field. Pass through gate and continue to Friston Church. Leave via Tapsell gate to Crowlink Lane and Friston Pond.
- C. Turn right and cross main road WITH GREAT CARE, heading towards bus shelter. Walk down Windmill Lane and take first left along The Ridgeway to house no. 31 on left. Immediately after, walk through a small opening in hedge along the footpath. **Photo 2**
- D. Continue to steps and into Lane. Turn right and staying in this direction, the Lane becomes a footpath and eventually you will reach a gate. Pass through the gate and bear right towards a group of trees and a fence line. Turn left on main track, walking on left of the track to junction with finger post.
- E. Turn left down hill towards Jevington in the distance. After approx. 500 yds (approx. 5 minutes) cross over a stile on the right **Photo 3**, and descend to fence and stile. **Photo 4** Turn left before stile passing through gate into woods. Emerge to cross field heading to houses and onto road.
- F. Cross road and ascend Church Lane to Jevington Church. Bear right to Tapsell gate (and through to Eight Bells Inn – 200 yards on left for refreshments if required). **Photo 5**
- G. Retrace steps to Church and take bridlepath at fingerpost on right. Ascend steadily to cross paths and fingerpost. **Photo 6**
- H. Turn left and pass through two gates then cross horse gallops to finger post. **Photo 7** Following direction arrow, continue to seat and fingerpost. Turn right.
- I. Continue on this track, crossing over metallised track. Continue, (ignoring footpath on right to Charleston Bottom) until you reach cross tracks.
- J. Turn left and continue ahead ignoring all other tracks, until you reach metallised track. Cross over track and horse gallops beyond . Shortly you will come to fingerpost marked ‘Friston’.
- K. Continue straight until Lane is reached on right side of path. Stay on track which later crosses Lane to a gate in a wall on right hand side.
- L. Pass through gate and cross field to steep steps down and Lane. Cross and continue across next field to stile in top right corner of field. Cross and walk to gates **Photo 8** and onto multi road junction.
- M. Cross roads WITH GREAT CARE, back to Friston Church and pond. Retrace steps through Churchyard, down field to Village green and Village car park.

