

Step Out at SWFC

The Wednesday Walk on Thursdays



Walk 98 – Jumble Lane - 3.1 miles

A bit of a noisy walk this week – we walk up beside the motorway before crossing it twice, then drop down and return along the old railway line. We start from the car park on Ecclesfield Road and walk up past Butterthwaite Farm to Jumble Lane, over the motorway and back on the footbridge which has excellent views to the south and east.

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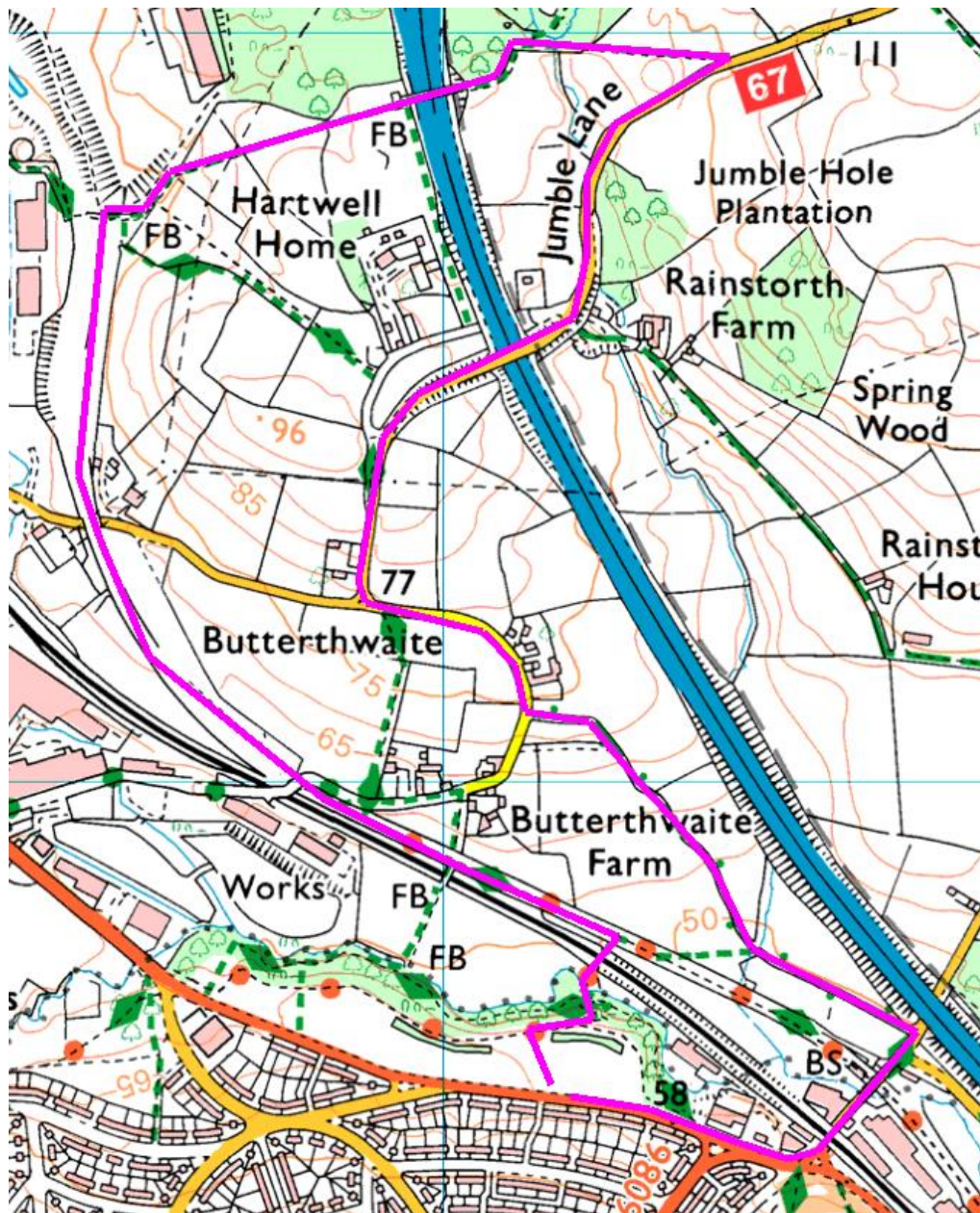
From the car park walk south along Ecclesfield Road and turn left into Deep Lane. Take care here as there is no pavement and quite a lot of traffic. Cross the bridge and the TPT, then before the motorway bridge, turn left over the gate onto the bridlepath.

Follow the bridlepath as it climbs up to Butterthwaite Lane then turn right and follow the lane round to the junction with Jumble Lane. Follow this up the hill (again there is no pavement but it's a quieter road) and over the motorway.

After another quarter mile, look out for a stile on the left with a footpath which cuts back across the field, through some trees and back to the motorway. Cross the footbridge and zig-zag down to ground level then head down across the field. The mound of spoil here is the remains of an old bell pit – this area has dozens of them, but many are harder to find. Bear right as you go downhill till you come out on the Trans Pennine Trail at an area you may recognise; turn left and head towards Meadowhall.

As you go under Butterthwaite Lane you will see the footbridge over the railway which we have used in the past, but today we are going straight on before dropping down and going under the railway. Cross the stream and climb back up to the cars.

Risks:



- Road walking – We do not have to cross any roads but we do walk along a few that do not have pavements. Deep Lane is particularly dangerous because of parked cars and the narrow road, but on country roads traffic can be moving fast, and there are not many pavements.
- Mud, ice, dog dirt and all the usual hazards of winter walking! If it is starting to melt, soft mud on the frozen surface can be very slippery – there shouldn't be much but watch out for it.

TO FIND THE CAR PARK

From Ecclesfield, go along Ecclesfield Road (towards Wooley Wood / Meadowhall) for .7 of a mile.

From Sheffield Lane Top (avoiding the humps) go along Hatfield House Lane towards Concord then turn left onto Bellhouse Road and follow down the hill. At the end, turn left onto Ecclesfield Rd for 150 yards and the car park is on the right.

From Sheffield Lane Top (shorter but humpy) head north on Barnsley Road. At the traffic lights, turn right onto Hartley Brook Road, through several narrow bits and over lots of humps till the road bends round to the right and becomes Sicey Avenue. Bear left on Butterthwaite Road then turn right onto Ecclesfield Rd for 100 yards. The car park is on the left.

From the stadium:

Via the Wheel is 4.6 miles.

Via Yew Lane is 4.4 miles.

Via Wordsworth Avenue is 4.1 miles.

Via Deerlands Avenue is 4.0 miles (but lots of humps).

Via Herries Road and Sheffield Lane Top is 4.0 miles without humps or 3.9 miles with humps!

