

**FOOTPATH WALKS AROUND RIVENHALL PARISH.**  
***NUMBER 1: OVER THE TOP TO KELVEDON AND BACK.***

Map: O/S Explorer 183 or O/S Pathfinder 1099  
Start: Rivenhall Village Hall, Church Road. (828175)  
Distance: 6.5 miles can be shortened to 5.5 miles.  
Duration: Approx. 2 hours (longer if you stop at The Angel)  
Terrain: Easy walking but can be muddy after rain.  
Refreshments: At The Angel PH in Kelvedon. (Roughly half way)

**The Walk:**

Exit the Village Hall car park at the rear to skirt the Basketball court on your left. Diagonally cross the playing field to have the hedge on your right. Go through the hedge at the large Oak Tree the walk with the hedge on your left to the end of the field.

Turn right along to where you cross over the footbridge up the steps to exit onto another field.

Walk straight across the field along a marked footpath up to the skyline then turn right with the hedge on your left.

Cross footbridge on your left and continue ahead to the end of the trees on your left (Hoo Hall).

(You are now at grid reference 836175)

From this corner cross the field straight ahead to reach the tree on the skyline.

Execute a dogleg turn right then left to have the hedge of your right.

Continue ahead then follow the track through the woodland to exit onto a farm track.

Cross this track to continue ahead with the hedge on your left and eventually exit onto Sniveller's Lane. (845181)

Turn right on the lane and after approx. 50 yards turn left onto the track just before Clark's Farm.

Continue ahead on this track, crossing one stile, to pass Felix Place on your right and exit with great care onto Hollow Road.

Cross straight over Hollow Road to the 'Footpath' sign.

Follow the footpath and cross the footbridge over the ditch keeping to the right of the evergreen trees to exit onto the main track.

Enter the driveway to Park Farm (851191) and follow it along to pass a large Oak tree on your left.

Continue ahead then turn right with the track to eventually cross the main railway line via the road bridge.

You enter the housing estate and continue ahead to exit onto Kelvedon High Street.

Turn right and continue until you reach the double bend at the end and The Angel PH.

From The Angel you now have a choice of two routes, route A and B.

Route A (slightly shorter)

From the front door of The Angel, go straight ahead along London Road, with dwellings on either side and the London Road Garage on your right approx. half-way along the road.

At the end of the A12 north slip road turn right to enter Crane's Lane (853177).

Route B.

From the front door of The Angel, turn left to walk along Maldon Road to cross the River Blackwater at Crane's Mill then, going uphill, cross the road bridge over the A12 to reach the 'T' junction at the top. (861177)

Turn right and walk the footway along to the footpath sign on your right.

Turn right to follow the footpath through to the A12 underpass keeping the Willow plantation on your left.

Walk under the A12 and cross London Road to enter Crane's Lane (853177).

For both routes.

Follow the lane to cross over the main railway line via the road bridge and continue ahead to pass Clark's Farm on your right.

Approx. 50 yards past Clarke's Farm turn left to retrace your steps and return to Rivenhall Village Hall.