

## 40km Route Description and Power Stations

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The JUST WALK 40km route provides a great variety of terrains and scenery and is the perfect way to experience the broad and sweeping landscapes of West Sussex. For the first 3km the walk is on quiet roads. This will allow the walkers to spread out before we turn into the plantation forests. Despite being deep in woodland, we will get glimpses of the stunning views to the south including Halnaker Windmill. As we head to the first power station the route crosses into Eartham parish and the station is at Eartham Woods.



Now the route ambles through the wild chestnut coppiced woods and rolling arable fields. The paths through the woods are 4x4 tracks and if wet will be a little muddy in places. Now turning to the south we follow bridleways to picturesque Slindon with its thatched cottages. Power Station Two is on the far side of the village.

So far there have been very few hills but the first incline comes after crossing the A29 as we pass through the last of the coppiced woods. The woods are teeming with wildlife so look out for deer and a wide range of birdlife. At Screens Wood the 40km walk splits from the 60km. The route heads north going through the forest up to Rewell Hill and crosses the A29 again, through some more woods to the location of the third power station. This will feel like a long stretch. The route then enters Houghton Forest and goes on a steady ascent up through the forest before hitting the South Downs and rejoining the 60km route at Bignor Hill.

Bignor Hill is the location for the fourth power station. From the top views of the surrounding area will provide great inspiration. The route is now surprisingly flat as we walk over the open chalk Downs before dropping down and crossing the A285.

The South Downs Way part two starts as we climb again, this time only 110 metres, up and along to Graffham Down with its unique wildlife and ancient Downs woodland and the location of Power Station Five. Now at 50km, after what will seem like a very long walk over the hills - for some under the moonlight - we start the long drop down through forestry towards Charlton and the final power station.

Once refreshed we continue down the lane to the village of Charlton after which we make a short ascent onto a bridleway and join the edge of the racecourse. Here we have our first glimpse of the finish. With just less than 5km to go, the path meets the road and takes us along the final stretch into the grounds of Goodwood: time for a well deserved cheer and lots of congratulations!

Stop #	Location	Distance from last (km)	Acc distance (km)
1	Eartham Wood	6.30	6.30
2	Slindon	6.50	12.80
3	Lane near Madehurst	6.70	19.50
4	Bignor Hill car park	3.30	22.80
5	Graffham Down	6.50	29.30
6	Charlton Lane	5.80	35.10