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## A circular walk westward from Stannington

- Length 5 miles
- Time – 2 hours
- Grade – A medium length walk with only a small amount of ascending. The route goes along farm tracks and fields. Uneven ground and stiles. Clear paths and well signed.
- Start – Christ Church, Church Street, Stannington
- Grid Reference – SK 302 884
- Public transport – SL2 from Malin Bridge, 61 and 62 from Hillsborough, 81 and 82 From Sheffield.
- Refreshments – Crown and Glove, Stannington, Schoolrooms cafe, Low Bradfield
- Public Toilets – none on the route

**Description** - A walk above and along the Loxley Valley on the western edge of Sheffield. The route takes in open countryside, passes through small villages and returns along the valley past with the derelict works that were originally established in the valley to make use of water power.



Looking along the Valley.

## Route Instructions

### Loxley Valley Route Instructions

1. Starting from Christ Church, Stannington, cross the road into School Lane (The building on the right was the former church school and is now used for community purposes).
2. Continue to its junction with Oldfield Road, bear right and then cross the road into Nethergate. Follow Nethergate round to the right to the end, until it rejoins Oldfield Road where it changes its name to Hopwood Lane.



3. Cross the road to the public footpath almost opposite the junction.
4. Continue along this footpath (known locally as twenty fields walk) going straight past The Flash farm buildings and out onto Moorwood Lane
5. Continue ahead which then is an unmade lane through to Ronksley Hall Farm.



6. Turn right at this point and follow the lane up the hill and then out to Riggs High Road near to Beeton Rod Farm.



7. Cross the road and go down Beeton Green for only a short distance then take the footpath on the right which joins a farm track at Beeton Farm.

8. At the Farm turn right along this track through the farm and then on out to a metal gate out onto the road..
9. Continue along the road for about half a mile and take the unmade lane on the left which is marked as a public bridleway.



10. Follow this lane, known as (Riggs Low Road) (known locally as Catty Lane). There is a path off this lane which runs behind the former J & J Dyson refractory works. Do not take that path, remain in the main track. At the gateway to the property called The Griffs the track become a tarmaced lane. Follow the lane out almost until it emerges on Stopes Road opposite Underbank Unitarian Chapel.



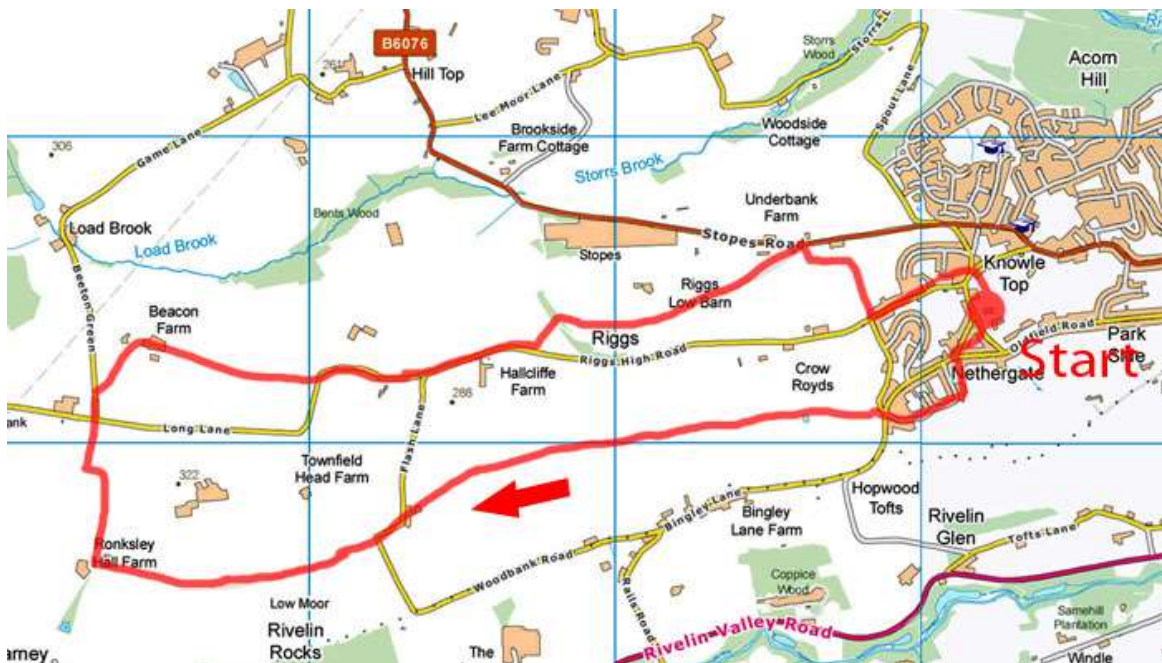
11. Just before reaching the road take the concrete footpath on the right which climbs sharply up the bank and then beside a field wall before reaching a stile.

12. Part of the stile is a stone roller with a square drive socket in the end.



13. Do not go through the metal kissing gate, instead turn right at the stile and go across the field keeping the wall to your left as far as the stile which opens out onto Uppergate Road.

14. Turn left onto Uppergate Road and then right just below Crown & Glove Inn on to Church Street and back to starting point.



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