

How to get there ([SatNav – Allextion LE15 9AB](#)) The A47 Leicester-Uppingham road passes between Belton and Allextion.

Car parking There is very little space for cars at Allextion. It would be wiser to park beside the road into Belton and to risk life and limb crossing the wide, fast and furious A47 Leicester-Uppingham road to reach Allextion church and the green beyond it.

Public transport [Service 747 \(hourly\) Leicester to Uppingham alight Belton](#). See <http://traveline.info/> or [phone 0871 200 22 33](tel:08712002233)

Map Explorer Map 15 (Rutland Water and Stamford).

Route Ups and downs, with good views across open country.

Refreshment The Sun Inn at Belton for light refreshment. You may also find food and drink, by arrangement, at Fearn Farm. (*The owners serve light refreshments and provide camping space. Advance warning is a useful precaution. Tel. 01858 555285*)

Items of interest Allextion church is now disused but has a fine late Norman interior and two extraordinary Victorian dormer windows in the roof.

Horninghold has an interesting, mainly 13th century church and a street of large and well kept houses built about 100 years ago as a model village.

The walk *From the green in Allextion, with the church to your left and the gates to Allextion Hall on your right, go up the lane between houses. The lane becomes a green track between hedges and is waymarked with the Leicestershire Round logo.*

At the end of the track enter an open field and turn right to follow a bridleway. Allextion parkland is on your right. When you are level with the hall, on your right, swing left and walk uphill, following the telegraph lines. Cross the waymarked stile in the fence on your right, half way up the hill.

You now aim for Allextion Lodge, on the hill ahead, crossing the corners of three big ploughed fields. Just before you reach Allextion Lodge, at the foot of a rough pasture, turn right along the (recently diverted) path. Follow the wire fencing on your left and turn uphill to pass Allextion Lodge.

Turn right at the first hedge past the house. (You are now back on the old route.) Pass under the telegraph wires, and walk downhill, close to the hedge on your left. Go through the gate and keep in the same direction across the little corner of the field. As you go over the rise ahead you should see Fearn Farm, your next target, on top of the hill, on the far side of the valley. The stile is just to the right of the farm barns. At the lane turn left to pass Fearn Farm.

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Here we leave the Leicestershire Round. From Fearn Farm follow the lane downhill to meet the Hallaton-Allextion road. Go straight across the road and through the metal double gate. Keep in the same direction. Large farm buildings come into view ahead. Follow the hedgerow on your left and pass through the next iron gate. Keep close to the hedge and go through heavy double gates. The hedge is now on your right and the path becomes a metalled track into Horninghold.

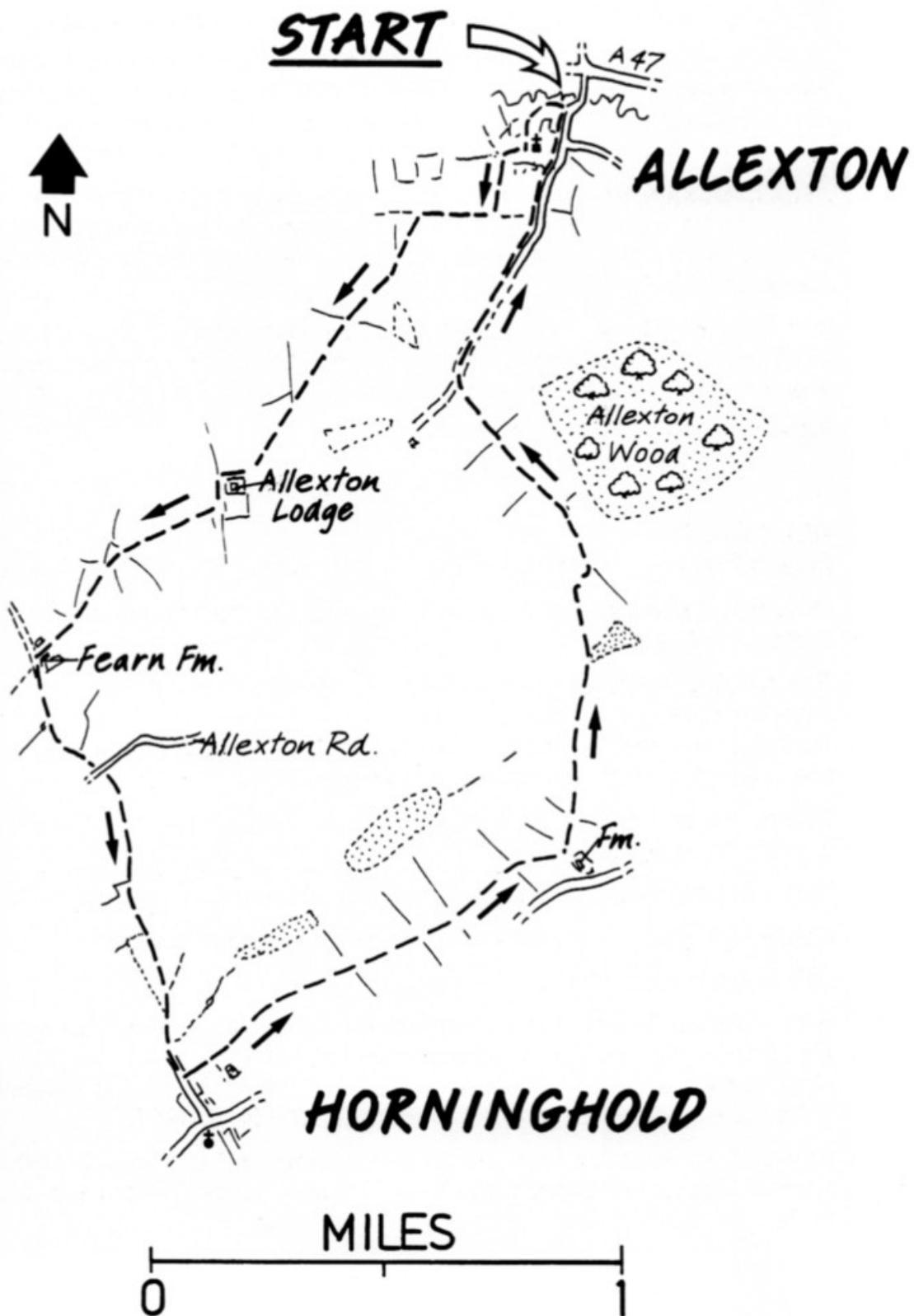
Our path turns left before we reach the houses but the village is well worth a visit. The church is usually unlocked. If you explore, return to this point.

From Horninghold follow the footpath sign which points between wire fences, beside mature horse-chestnut trees, with the impressive stable block buildings over to your right. Cross the stile and follow the irregular hedge on your right to reach the stile.

You now follow waymarks and a succession of stiles, keeping along the crest of an ascending ridge towards Muckleburgh Farm. (The fields may be ploughed but the path should be cleared.) In the first field pass a pond and a spinney. In the second field pass a fenced pond. Muckleburgh Farm becomes visible straight ahead. Cross the stile to the left of this house and then swing left (due north) on a grassy track. This is an old County Road, waymarked with a red sign.) Go through two iron gates and keep close to the hedge on your right to go through the next, wooden, gate and the gate at the near end of a narrow strip of woodland. Continue in the same direction across the next, open field, aiming for a hedge with two prominent trees.

Go between the two old gate posts and follow the pleasant, easy lane. This soon becomes a metalled track which leads onto the Hallaton-Allextion road. Turn and walk along this quiet road to Allextion, where the walk began. (Or continue straight ahead to cross the A47 if you parked at Belton.)

Syd Marsden: "The route is some 6 miles, but owing to the undulating nature of the ground, feels longer!"



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