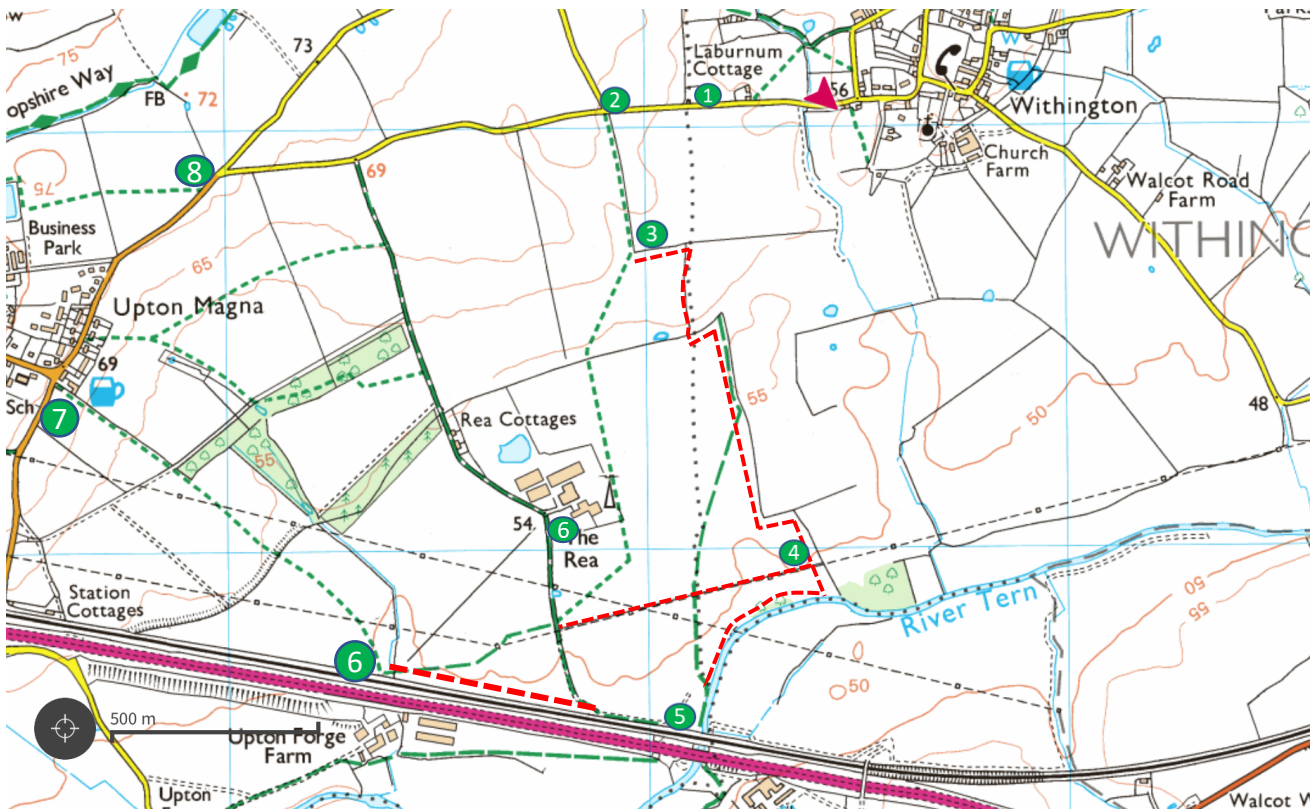


Walk 5; The River Tern and Upton Magna



Route off the public footpaths - - - - -

This walk is Walk 3 with a diversion to take in Upton Magna. The route is relatively flat. Some sections cross fields or are grass farm tracks around fields so sturdy shoes or boots are recommended.

- 1 The walk starts at Laburnum Cottage on Sandy Lane. From the cottage head west towards Upton Magna on the lane. Watch out for motor vehicles and bicycles using the single track road
- 2 At the first T junction, at the point where a narrow lane heads off to the north, there is a public footpath to the left, up the bank and through the hedge. Head to the south keeping the field hedge to your left.
- 3 At the point where the hedge on your left turns to the east, the formal route of the public path cuts south west across the field. If there is a crop or planting in the field follow the alternative red route skirting the edge of the fields.
- 4 At the bottom of the last field lies the River Tern that flows through to the Attingham Park estate.
- 5 Continue west along the side of the river until you reach the bridleway under the railway line and the A5. Continue to the West keeping the railway line to your left, ignoring the track to The Rea until you reach the start of the public footpath to Upton Magna
- 6 The footpath is well marked and well used across two fields and up a farm track reaching the main road at the Haughmond Restaurant in Upton Magna.
- 7 Turn right and head through the village towards Withington.
- 8 At the T-junction, where the road forks, turn right and head back to Laburnum Cottage



5.9 km 2.0-3.0 hours