

Chiltern Way Updates

Introduction

The Chiltern Society wants you to enjoy walking the Chiltern Way, so we regularly check the paths and waymarking on the route. However, from time to time the route needs to be temporarily or permanently diverted. This note describes where the Chiltern Way currently follows a different route to that described in the latest version of the guide to the route - **The Chiltern Way & Chiltern Way Extensions** - published in 2016 (You can buy the book from the [Chiltern Society](#) or from [Amazon](#)).

The sections and page numbers referred to below are from this book. The location information and description below assume you are walking the route clockwise. The grid reference gives the point where the description starts.

The maps below are from OpenStreet map:

- The route to use is shown by the blue overlay line.
- The previous or blocked route is shown by the red overlay line.

Chalk Hill to Bidwell

Changes to Chalk Hill/Bidwell section

Section

Location: Bidwell. Gridref: TL 0114 2432

After leaving Chalk Hill, you will see the preparatory work for a housing development. After passing the sewage works, there may be some small diversions. However, at the east end of the Blue Water woods, the Chiltern Way is currently blocked. Instead of turning left onto a footpath, continue on a concrete track which soon turns left. Follow it round to the right and you are back on the Chiltern Way route.



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Bidwell to Chalton

Changes to Bidwell/Chalton section pp179-180.

Section A

Location: Bidwell. Gridref: TL 0148 2436

The housing development on HR45 has now been completed. The route alongside the housing development is clearly waymarked. Return to the existing description when bearing left 250m from the A5120.



Section C

Location: Bridleway bridge across A5. Gridref: TL 0181 2569

The new A5 –M1 Link Road is completed. When approaching the intersection of FP HR14 and BW HR22 the path will rise onto an embankment. Turn left onto BW HR22 and go over the bridge on the new road. At the north end turn left, descend the embankment and then right to return to the original line of BW HR22. See map below.

