**8.** (contd.) Retrace your steps along Gurney Street and continue to the junction with East Street – turn left along East Street, known not so long ago as Frog Street. Notice the original thatch roofing on one of the hoses.

**9.** Stay to the left of the road and turn left into **Brook Street**. Walk to the crossing, cross and retrace your steps through the churchyard and continue past the **Globe Inn**. Now turn right along **Mill Lane**, walk to the end, leaving the Mill to your left and follow the road round to the right into **Clifford Park**.

**10.** The road here runs over the site of Mill House, destroyed by a bomb in the second world war. At the end of Clifford Park, turn right into High Street,

past the site of the original

**Clifford Lodge**. Cross the road at

the crossing and

end your walk at

the almshouse

that was originally built in 1500.

**11.** Now have a cup of tea in the Walled Gardens Café – you deserve it!



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## WALKS BASED IN CANNINGTON

WALK AROUND CANNINGTON HILL (3.25ml)
WALK TO BLACKMORE LANE (2.8 miles)
WALK AROUND CANNINGTON(1.5 miles)
WALK TO THE CONSERVATION TRAIL 2 miles)



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- People doing these walks do so at their own risk as some areas can be muddy or steep
- Please leave gates as you find them
- Dog walkers please keep dogs on a lead at all times as they may encounter farm animals.
- Please clear up after your dog

(Researching the walk – Peter Nurse) (Designing the leaflet – Shaun Ryall)

## POPULAR WALKS AROUND CANNINGTON



<u>WALK NUMBER 3</u> AROUND CANNINGTON Especially suitable for wheelchairs, prams and buggies.



THERE ARE MANY WALKS TO CHOOSE FROM -FIND ONE THAT SUITS YOU 1. This walk starts at the Henry Rogers Almshouse, just to the west of the War Memorial. Cross the High Street at the Light controlled crossing, turn left for a short distance and then turn right into Church Street (Bowling Green). On your left is the entrance to the Walled Gardens of Cannington Court. There is a tea room here that would be welcome after your walk; Cannington Court is a training centre for EDF Nuclear staff. Walk towards the Globe Inn and then turn left to view the Parish Church.

2. This Church was dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary and was first referred to in a record dated 1336. Proceed through the gate into the Churchyard. The interior of the Church is magnificent; the nave was built in the 15<sup>th</sup> century to replace an earlier nave. The original roof line is still visible on the tower's interior wall and curiously, the nave is at a slight angle to the tower.



**3.** There is a garden of remembrance by the East wall of the Church and a garden of rest through the archway in the hedge opposite. Follow the path which runs diagonally across the churchyard and through the gate which leads to **Brook Lane**. On your right is the old vicarage built about 1879.

**4.** At the end of the lane is the public house formally known as The Old Blue Anchor and is now known as **The Friendly Spirit**. This name comes from the friendly ghost of Maude de Merriett, one of three nuns who, in the 14<sup>th</sup> century, transgressed their vows and were severely beaten and died. Her ghost is reputed to haunt the upper rooms of the inn today.

**5.** In front of you is **Cannington Brook** with the **Pack Horse Bridge**. The original road bridge and the later bridge that is now the main road through the village and can be seen from this point; there is also an elegant information board beside the brook.



**6.** Turn to your left and head for the pedestrian crossing. After crossing, turn left and then turn right into **Duke Avenue** and on to School Fields. Turn left in-between bungalows numbers 8 and 9 and proceed through the iron gate and turn right, the school playing field is on your left.

7. Follow the path through the gate and into **Gurney Street** where you turn right. This road leads to a track, (\*access around the cattle grid is available, but may be tight for motorised buggies at this point) until you arrive at **Gurney Manor** on your right. This Manor, formally

named after its earliest owners, has now passed to Landmark Trust which has carried out a programme of restoration.

8. Further along from Gurney Manor is **Gurney Mill** and there are records of the mill existing on this site from around the 1200s.

