

# OUT & ABOUT BROADLAND

Walk no:



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## Ringland

A two and half-mile scenic walk

The picturesque village of Ringland is 3 miles west of Taverham on the A1067 out of Norwich. This is a pleasant 2½ mile walk around country lanes and tracks with extensive views of the Wensum Valley. You may encounter livestock along the route. Cars may be parked on the public open space beside the road bridge over the River Wensum.

### Directions

Walk into Ringland with the Swan Public House on left. Continue along this road passing the green with its village sign displaying the villagers' names. The 15th century Church of St Peter's comes into view ahead. The church is well worth a visit – the rich groining of the timber roof is said to be some of the finest in East Anglia.



Turn right in front of the Church and follow the road passing the Reading Room on the left. This former Methodist Chapel, built in 1852, is now used as the Ringland Village Hall. Shortly after, turn right along a wide track (*signposted public footpath*) between fields. Continue uphill along the track passing woods on the left. At the top of Royal Hill, magnificent views of Ringland to the south and the Wensum Valley to the north and east stretch out. Ignoring a right turn and passing a house on the left, go over a stile into a meadow. Turn here, keeping close to the right hand hedge.

Climb a stile into a grassy lane passing a grove of poplars on the right. Along here in summer you will see the attractive pink and white flowers of the campion and bright yellow flowers of the lesser celandine. To the left on the low-lying meadow, swans and wild duck can be seen feeding beside the river.



Continue along the lane that runs alongside a tributary of the Wensum, passing through two iron gates. Ignore all other footpaths to the right or left.

Further along the main path bears left. Ignore a smaller grass path to the right. At the road turn left by the village green and walk back towards the car park which is a short distance away.

