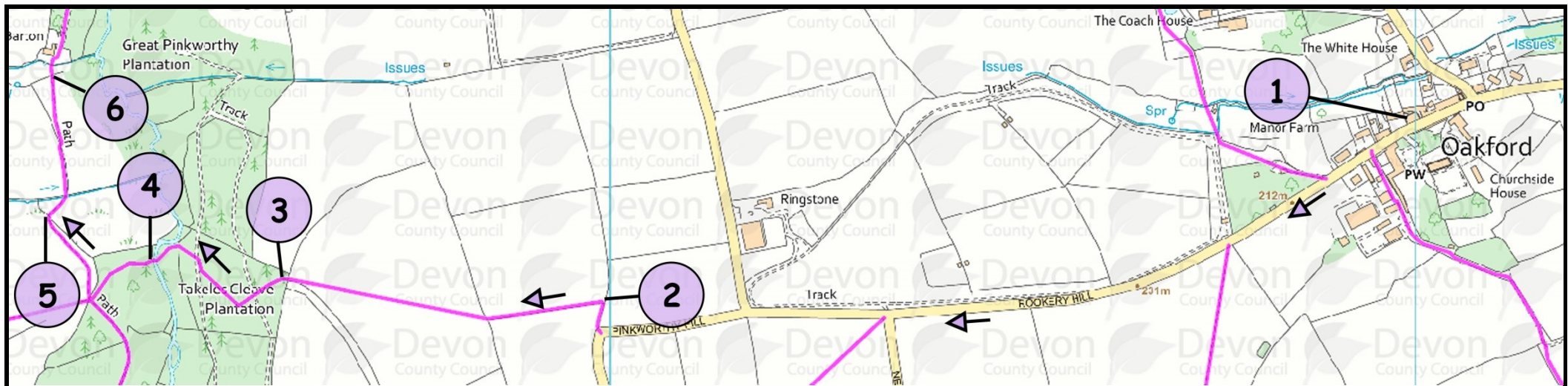


## Walk 4

Time 75 minutes Distance 4.7km (2.9 miles)

This is quite an energetic walk, which involves going down 100 steps, and then up a steep road at the end. There is a lot of pine wood area with open fields.

1. On coming out of the **Red Lion** ①, turn right. Go along the road until you get to **Pinkworthy Cross**. Go straight ahead and where the road turns sharp left, go through the gate ahead of you into a field. Go right, keeping the hedge on your right.
2. After the next gate ②, turn immediately left and follow the hedge to another gate. Head straight down the next field, aiming roughly towards the ruined farm buildings in the distance, until you come to a gate into the woodland ahead of you. ③ Carry straight down through the wood and down a few steps to a forestry track.
3. Cross this track and you will see a long flight of steps ahead of you. Go down these steep steps, over 100 of them. There is a path in the middle which you will cross, and do a left then right, but it is very obvious. At the bottom, go through the replanted area and over the bridge over **Combe Water** ④.
4. Climb up the steep path through the wood, following the waymarkers to the gate at the top right hand corner. Go through this gate and turn right, keeping the wood on your right.
5. There is a signed gap in the hedge ⑤, which you go through and then go diagonally left to a plank bridge and small gate. In the summer it can be difficult to see as there may be a lot of bracken, which hides the waymarker; it is about  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the way down the hedge. Go over the bridge, through the gate and straight on keeping the hedge on your right, and go through the waymarked gap in the hedge on your right.



## Walk 4, Continued...

- Go left and you will come to a kissing gate (6), which you go through and then through the garden of **Combe Barton**, leaving the house on your left. This is a beautiful spot, but please respect the resident's privacy and take special care to ensure all dogs are on leads. After the next gate, go along the track until it reaches a country lane (7).
- Go right and up the hill to **Ford Moor Cross**, where you go straight ahead. Go past **Parsonage Farm** on your right, and a little further on is a footpath sign to a gate on your right. Go through this gate and downhill keeping the hedge on your left, through a gate into a scrubby area (8).
- Go through there, with a wire fence on your right. Be careful as it can be muddy, and there are lots of brambles, and it is uneven. The path goes just inside the boundary of properties on your left through more gates and into a field (9).
- Follow the hedge down the hill to a kissing gate, go over a bridge and through another gate into another field where you go left to another kissing gate. Go through this, follow the line of the hill, and turn right to the gate at the far top corner of the field. Once on the road go left and down the hill to the **RedLion**.

