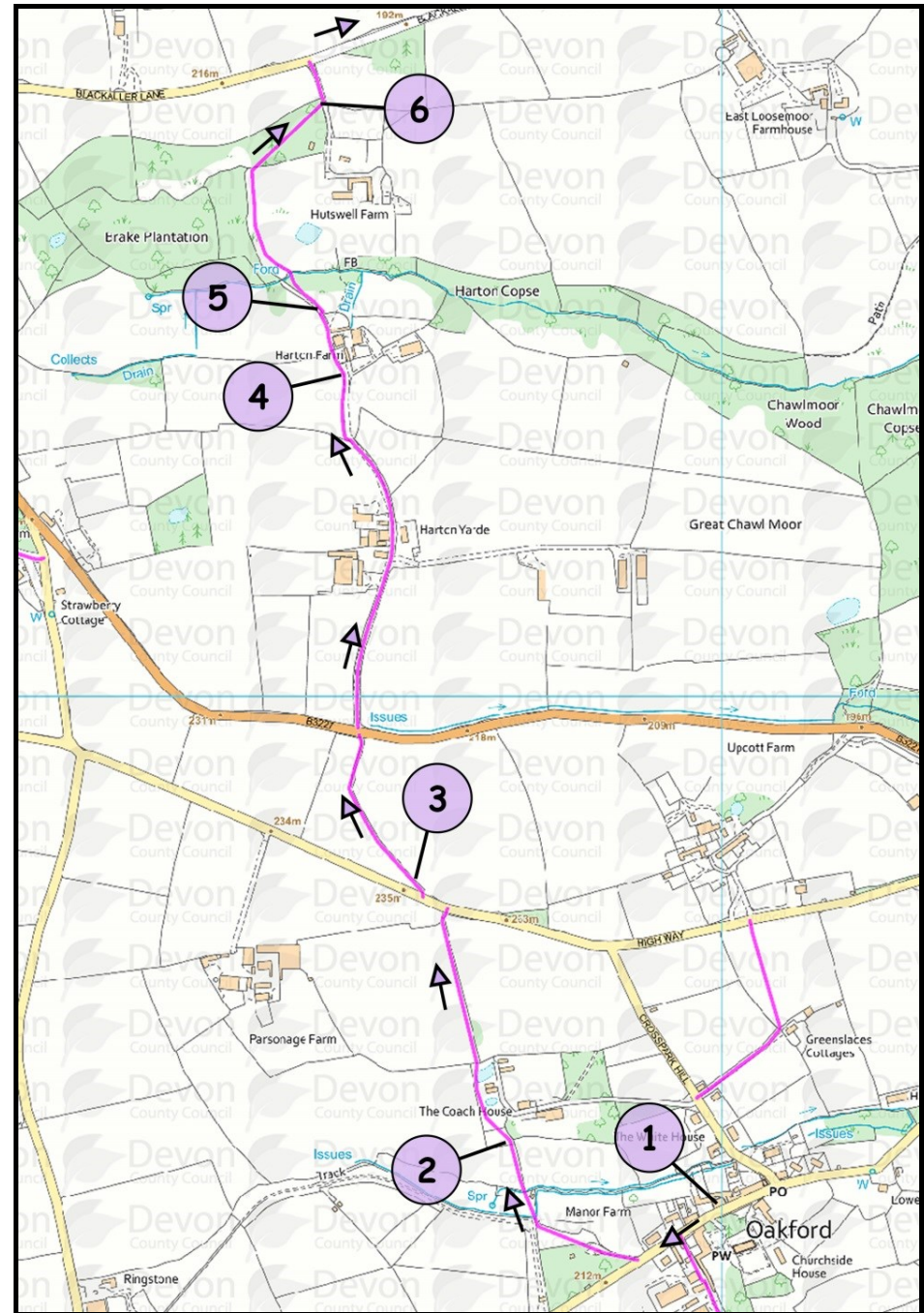


Walk 6

Time 2 hours 15 mins Distance 10.5km (6.5 miles)

This circular walk includes about a mile along a main road towards the end, which is not ideal. You could do a “there and back” walk to the Exbridge-Oldways road. Alternatively, if you have a group with more than one vehicle, you could park one in the layby on the B2337 near **Red Deer Farm** and return to Oakford to start the walk.

1. Go out of the Red Lion ①, turn right. After about 100 metres go through a gate on the right into a field, and then diagonally left to a kissing gate. Go through this gate and diagonally right down the field under some willows, and then through two more gates either side of a small stream and up the hill the other side, keeping the hedge to your right.
2. Go through the next gate ② and follow the fence round, through two more gates into another field. Keep going, with the hedge on your right. Go through the field gate and onto the road. Turn left and then right at the footpath sign through a gate and into a field, keeping the hedge to your right ③.
3. There is a spring half way down this field making the ground vey boggy at times. Go over the stile at the end and cross over the road, be careful as it is busy and has fast moving traffic. Go up towards **Harton Yarde Farm**. Follow the track past the farm and downhill towards **Harton Farm** ④.
4. Before you reach the farm, follow the waymarks through a gate on your left into a field, then downhill parallel to the farm track through a gate ahead of you, keeping the farm on your right. In the next field head downhill towards a post and turn right down a bank, across a green lane and through another gate ⑤.



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11. Go along the track, and through the farmyard, turning left where the track goes left opposite the farmhouse. Follow the track away from the farm, down a hill, and just over the stream at the bottom is a metal gate on your left, go through and into the field and through the next gate, keeping the hedge on your left **12**.
12. Follow the hedge round and at the end of the field is a small gate in a wire fence ahead of you. Go through it into the spinney and go right, along the side of the fence, until you get to a very old oak tree near the end of the spinney **13**. The spinney area can be very boggy at times.
13. Turn left and look for a waymarked gate which takes you out of the spinney. Go through it, cross a little stream, and then through a hunting gate into a field. Go up the field, diagonally right to a gate, which you go through and turn left towards **West Tapps Farm** **14**.
14. Go through the next gate into the farmyard, and up the track to the road, the busy B3227 **15**.

