

Tuesday, 3rd August “Otter and Orchards” with Ross Hussey

After all the downpours in the previous few days it was great to start off our walk from Newton Poppleford in sunshine. There were 8 of us joining our leader Ross for a 5 mile walk, advertised as a walk taking in hamlets west of the Otter.



We did start off along the western side of the River Otter towards Tipton St John then continued into the Recreation Grounds turning to our left to climb on our way towards Venn Ottery. Some of the paths were rather muddy but we all managed to clamber up the slopes and then stopped near St. Gregory’s Church in Venn Ottery village. What an amazing 15th century tower to admire and so hidden behind modern houses. Here we stopped for a drink before continuing back to Newton Poppleford via Southerton mostly on the East Devon Way. My phone app said I had walked over 16,000 steps and 9.5 km.



An enjoyable walk with great people to chat to.

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