



## Sandwich Bay Bird Observatory Walk No 1 Field Centre to Restharrow Scrape via The Elms, Waldershare Gully, the beach and Sandilands

Distance: 3.2km (2.0m)

Duration: allow 1.5hrs

Difficulty: Easy, but path around Waldershare Gully uneven,  
Follow the Country code with dogs on leads please.

Price £0.50



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<p>1. Exit the Field Centre, turning left onto the track<sup>1</sup>, leading to Guilford Road. Turn right onto the main road<sup>2</sup> and pass King's Ave and Waldershare Avenue. On the left is a gate signed 'Rest Harrow Nature Reserve' leading into the wood known as 'The Elms'<sup>3</sup>. There are several tracks and seats within the small wood. Leave The Elms by the kissing gate at the east end.</p> <p>2. Cross the field that may contain cattle, heading east, to a similar gate then turn right onto a path enclosed by fences<sup>4</sup>, turning sharply to the left through Waldershare Gully. The path contains a number of pot holes. Pass through the gate into Shawdon Ave leading to the beach<sup>5</sup> and Prince's Drive. Turn right onto the road and walk until reaching a gate (passing through the gate onto the gravel track will continue the walk toward Deal).</p> <p>3. Prince's Drive bends sharp right at the gate into Cambridge Ave, passing Sandilands on your left. The road finishes after 100m at a locked, steel, 5 bar gate.</p>	<p><sup>1</sup> <i>Check for farmland and garden birds here</i></p> <p><sup>2</sup> <i>Rooks and Crows seen all year in fields. Blue, Great and Long-tail Tits along the Guilford Road.</i></p> <p><sup>3</sup> <i>Robin, Blackcap, Tits, Goldfinch and Speckled Wood butterfly often seen.</i></p> <p><sup>4</sup> <i>Meadow pipit and Goldfinch often found on the fields. Siskin in the alder during winter.</i></p> <p><sup>5</sup> <i>House Martin breed on the houses and Redstart may be found in the gardens. Kestrel over the fields. Look out to sea for gulls, Great-crested Grebe and Scoter in winter.</i></p>	<p>4. Walk around the gate onto the enclosed track<sup>6</sup>, passing the sailing club on the left. After 175m, exit between the stile and gate providing access onto the Ancient Highway.</p> <p>5. Turn right along the tarmac road for 180m. After passing the double agricultural gate and an off-road parking space, turn left through a wooden gate providing access to a path to the hide overlooking Restharrow Scrape<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>6. Return to the road from the hide and turn left. Walk 250m, passing The Elms on your right. Continue 400m along Guilford Road then turn left onto the track returning to the Field Centre car park.</p>	<p><sup>6</sup> <i>Check gorse bushes for Stonechats, Corn Bunting and Dunnock.</i></p> <p><sup>7</sup> <i>Lapwing, Teal, gulls, Snipe, Little Grebe and many other waders and ducks seen here. Reed and Cetti's Warbler along the access path.</i></p>
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