

## Notes on Shipbourne Walk 13<sup>th</sup> November 2021

The walk started from the car park in Upper Green Road opposite The Chaser Inn in Shipbourne, and followed a route across Shipbourne Common, along the Greensands Way, through Fairlawn Home Farm and on to the Kentish Rifleman at Dunk's Green. We then continued to Old Soar Manor, a thirteenth century medieval knights house, run by English Heritage and the National Trust which is usually closed at the end of September, however we were able to look round. We completed the return walk via Plaxtol; with a brief visit into the church, Fairlawne House and Park to The Chaser Inn by The Common for lunch.

The length of the walk was approximately 6½ miles and 20 walkers took part.

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