



Stage 21 - WOBURN ABBEY TO EATON BRAY

Distance - 18.7km / 11.7 miles

Explorer map - 192 Buckingham & Milton Keynes

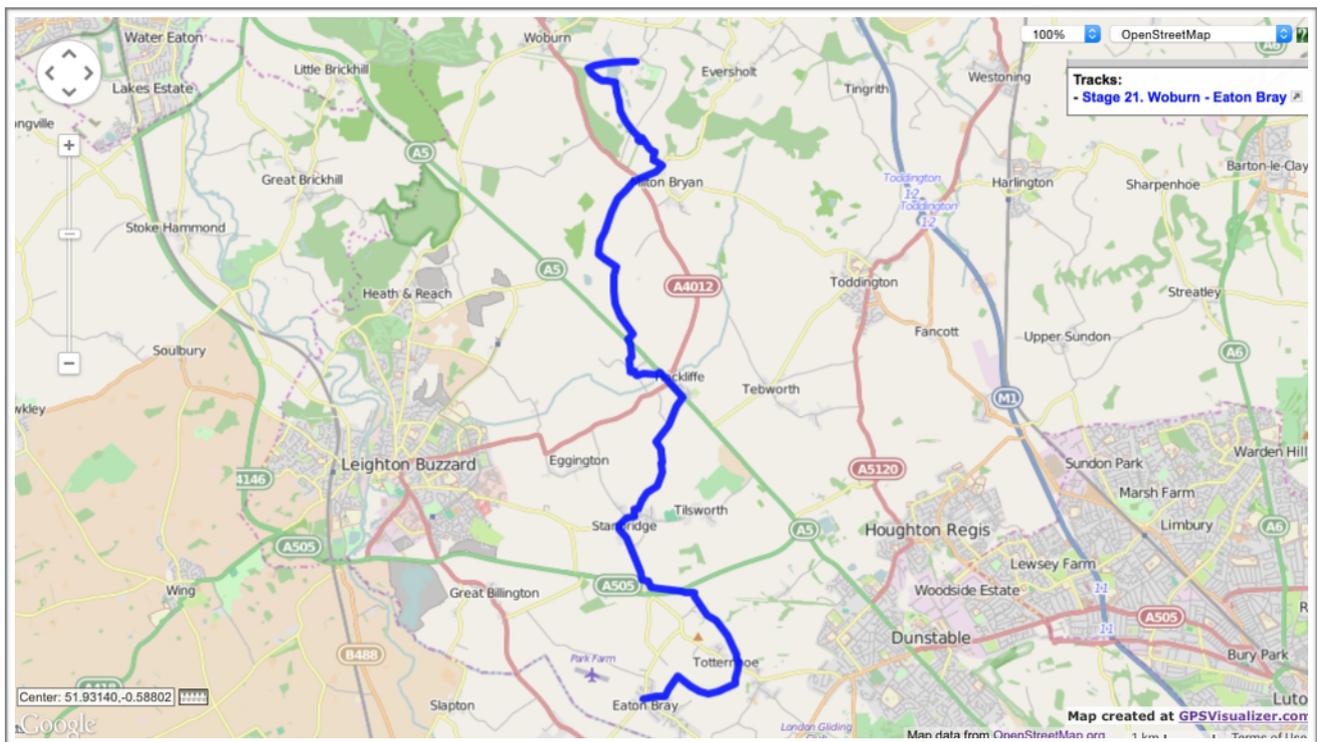
Time: 4.5 - 5 hours average time based on Naismith's rule

Total ascent - 167m

Total descent - 196m

Description - This is an easy to follow series of footpaths to Eaton Bray. The terrain is fairly flat with only slight undulations. It passes over the Ancient trackway and Roman road of Watling Street, and through two medieval villages, Totternhoe and Eaton Bray to conclude this stage.

Milton Bryan World War II recording studio was constructed to transmit 'black propaganda' into Europe. 'Black propaganda' was so called because it did not indicate its British origin and sought to give the impression that it was being broadcast from inside Germany or elsewhere in Europe. The propaganda team was led by Denis Sefton Delmer, a former correspondent of the Daily Express newspaper and German correspondent. The building is now owned by the Amptill and Woburn District Scouts.



Walk description

1 - From Woburn Abbey turn left back along the Greensand Ridge Walk. Just before leaving the Abbey grounds turn left to walk to and past Paris House. Once out of the grounds turn left then right at the corner of the field and then right before entering the Scout Campsite (Private land do not enter). The



path skirts the campsite to the road and the church opposite. At the road turn right, cross over the main road (A4012) and down Battlesden Avenue to pass Battlesden House and then the small road past the church.

2 - At the bottom of the hill and the end of the S bend turn right through fields. Ignore the path off to the left but pass the Coops wood to arrive at the A5 and the Roman road of Watling Street. Cross over the road across the field and bear right to go around "The Lodge" to the church - ignoring the paths off to the left and right. Turn left down the lane, then right, and shortly after the houses along the footpath left back to the A5. Turn right to walk through Hockliffe

3 - In Hockliffe pass the post office on the main road and opposite Birch's Close turn right across the field then Woodcock Lane to Hill Farm. Just before the farm buildings turn left (*at the time of writing the field was full of young very curious cows & a bull, I had to navigate through and between fences to reach the path on the other side of the cows*) ignore the paths left then right, but keep straight on to reach Stanbridge.

4 - At Stanbridge turn right (Tilsworth Road) past the church and left along Station Road to Tottenhoe. Just before the main road turn left onto Stanbridge Road keeping left to pass over the main road on the footbridge. Take the first footpath right onto Tottenhoe Circular Walk, keep on the main track to the end to reach the woods ahead, cross into them ignore the paths left and right, travel down to the road - Castle Hill Road.

5 - Turn right and left into the field. The path will bear right then right to come to a track and then go left to pass a building at the end where another track crosses. Continue ahead to pass some ruined greenhouses on the right to reach the main road, Northall Road and The White Horse pub to the right across the green in Eaton Bray.

