

## Marsh Lock footbridge closed. Diversion, via Harpsden, from Lower Shiplake to Henley.

This is a 2.7 mile (4.3km) diversion route, which could take 1hr 15 minutes to walk. You will rejoin the Thames Path National Trail at Marsh Lock, Mill Lane, Henley.

If you would prefer to take the train from Shiplake to Henley, turn right at Station Road and walk to the nearby railway station. Train information via GWR, 5 minute journey to Henley Station. Turn right outside Henley Station and rejoin the Thames Path at the river. <https://www.gwr.com/>

There is the Arriva 800 bus service between Reading and High Wycombe. From Mill Lane, Lower Shiplake turn left and walk up Station Road to the A415, cross the road to the Lower Shiplake Station Rd bus-stop. 10 minute journey to the Tesco Superstore bus-stop near Mill Lane, Henley. Cross the A415 and walk down Mill Lane to rejoin the Thames Path.

<https://www.arrivabus.co.uk/find-a-service/800-850-x80-high-wycombe-to-henley-on-thames-and-reading>

## Walk the diversion route on Public Rights of Way and permissive footpaths in Harpsden Woods

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/visiting-woods/woods/harpsden-peveril-woods/>

From Mill Road, Lower Shiplake approach Station Road with The Baskerville Arms pub on the right.

Ignore the Thames Path fingerpost sign pointing right. Instead, walk across Station Road keeping The Corner Shop on the right and walk along Northfield Avenue, a Private Road with Public Footpath.



At the end of this road go through a metal gate onto a narrow footpath between fields.



At the next gate turn left and follow the pavement to a pedestrian crossing point.







Cross the A4155 and take the pavement to the right to return to a Public Bridleway on the left.

Walk up this wide track, part of The Chiltern Way Berkshire Loop. At the end of the track, cross Woodlands Road into another Private Road.



As this road bends right, look on the right for entrance to narrow footpath between wooden fences.



At the end of this footpath turn left, passing to the right of drive to Redhatch.

Follow the permissive path through Harpsden Woods, past fallen trees and bear right to cross Woodlands Road again.

Continue on Public Bridleway through woodland, with a wire fence on your right.



Follow Public Bridleway right downhill out of the woodland and around a bend towards Harpsden church.

After passing the church, continue along this road, Harpsden Way. No pavement for approximately 215 yds (0.2km).

Walk uphill to where the pavement is on the left side, and continue past houses. Look out for War Memorial Place on the right.

Cross Harpsden Way here to a pavement and immediately turn right into Peppard Lane, a Public Bridleway.

Continue down Public Bridleway into Noble Road. Continue to A4155, cross the road and turn right, then left into Mill Lane.

Continue along Mill Lane, over the railway bridge to the end to join the Thames Path National Trail at Marsh Lock bridge. Turn left to walk towards Henley Bridge.

