

## Horsell walks C2 Cheapside to the Sandpit

Time: 90 minutes

Distance: 3 miles

1. Horsell High Street to Chobham Road: Start at the Beijing Restaurant facing Horsell High Street. Turn right and walk past Seymours Estate Agents. Cross Meadway Drive and Thornash Rd until you reach South Road. Turn right. After approx 200m go into Russell Road. On the right side you will see a footpath going between two high hedges, next to number 73. Follow this footpath which emerges into Heather Close: go straight across on the footpath to Viggory Lane and turn right. Keep going across a small bridge onto a woodland path until you reach Horsell Common Road. Cross onto the footpath opposite and in 20 m you reach South Road. Cross onto the other side of South Road turn left until you see "The Plough" pub. Turn right into the car park, past The Plough and onto the rough road "Cheapside" until you reach the busy main Road, Chobham Road (½ mile)
2. Chobham Road to Sandy Track Car Park: Take great care: look both ways when crossing onto the triangular traffic island while crossing Chobham Road then look left to cross the one- way carriageway. Take the narrow footpath immediately opposite until you join the main track. Turn left and go down the track, after 100m turning right into Sandy Track car park.
3. Sandy Track Car park to Danewell Pond and the Gallops: Go through the car park, keeping straight on this main track called Sandy Track until you reach a large pond of water on your right. This is Danewell Pond, filled by Danewell Gutter which drains the common. Very soon you will come to a cross path and turn left onto a path with tall pines either side. The path can be obscured by pine needles. Follow this path until you meet a path going diagonally off to the right. Follow this path, now with heather on the right until it meets a broad path called " The Gallops" just near a wooden barrier. Turn right onto this wide track.
4. The Gallops to the Sandpit: Continue along the Gallops passing through other barriers until you reach a broad cross track You have come back to the Sandy Track. Go straight across and on your right you will see the Sandpit. In summer, the pond often dries out. There are some benches along the path at this side of the Sandpit.
5. The Sandpit to Sandy Track car park: facing towards the water, go down towards the sand and water to below the massive roots of the lone dramatic pine tree. Leave the Sandpit by walking straight on with the bank on your right and keep more or less straight on until you meet a cross path and on the other side, you will see the Danewell Pond again. Turn right and almost immediately left onto the main track, Sandy Track. Continue down Sandy Track until you arrive at the car park
6. Sandy track car park to Chobham Road: Turn Left out of the Car park onto the main track and walk almost to the very end of this track and take the narrow foot path on the right which cuts the corner between Shores Road and Chobham Road

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7. Crossing Chobham Road to Cheapside: Caution: make sure you can see one-way traffic coming from your right and cross to triangular traffic island. Now look both ways for two-way traffic (often very busy). Cross and turn right then immediately left into Cheapside.
  
8. Cheapside to Horsell High street: Continue past The Plough pub and take the narrow footpath and cross Morton Road and carry straight on down the footpath into Grobars Avenue. When you emerge from the footpath turn left into Grobars Avenue. At the end of Grobars Avenue turn right into Hammond Road. Follow Hammond Road all the way until you get to Meadway Drive. Turn right into Meadway Drive. At the end of Meadway Drive turn left into Horsell High Street and back to the Beijing Restaurant.

**NB a much simpler route to The Sandpit from Sandy Track car park: Simply follow Sandy Track all the way from the car park to the Sandpit and then retrace your steps.**