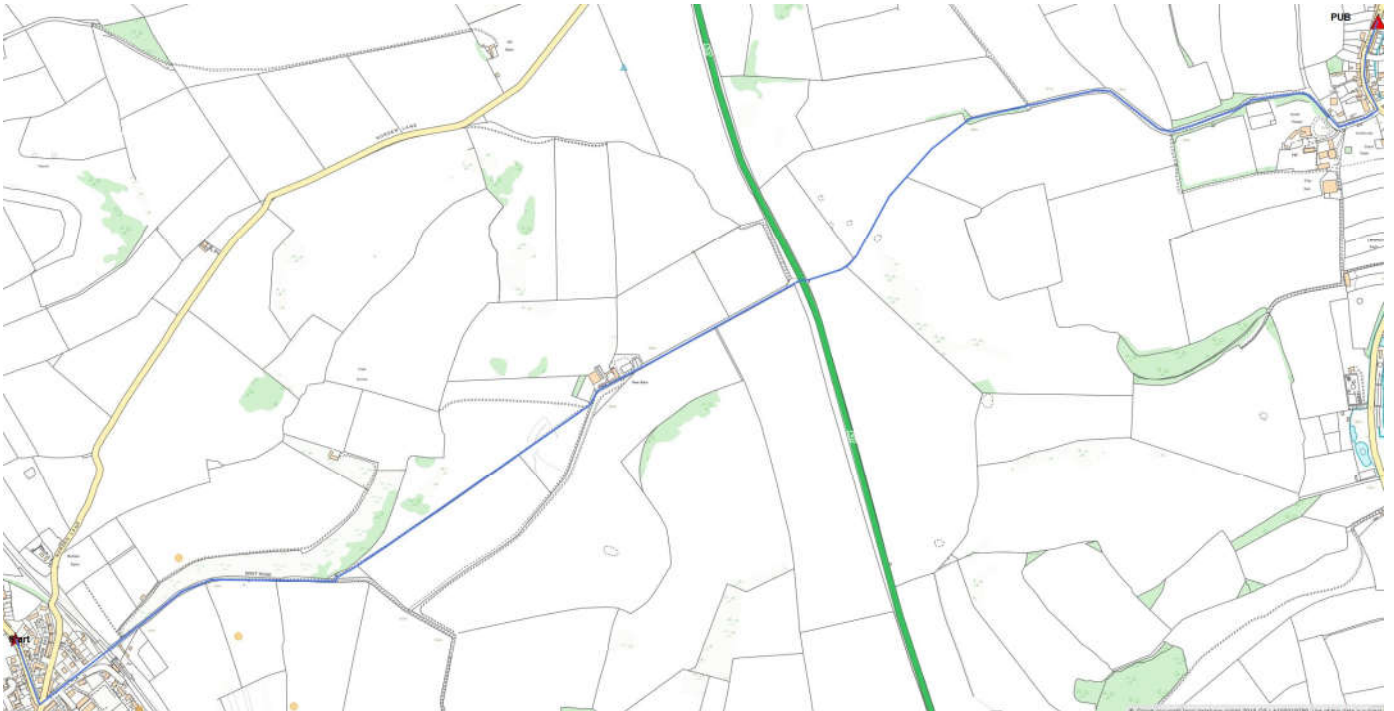


THE GREYHOUND, SYDLING ST. NICHOLAS

(5.2 miles there and back 3hrs.)

Up and over into the next valley this beautiful walk will test your legs and reward you with fantastic views of the West Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.



1. Turn left out of our driveway and follow the road down to a junction. Go straight over towards the railway station passing the village hall on your right.
2. Keep left, walking under the railway bridge passing an allotment on your left. Carry on up the track for quite some way; it gets gradually steeper as you walk. Keep going and take the footpath off to the left following the Wessex Ridgeway signs and passing farm buildings on your left.
3. Cross over the A37 and continue to follow the Wessex Ridgeway down into Sydling St. Nicholas.
4. Turn left along the road and you will see The Greyhound on your right. Stop for a well-deserved drink and a bit of lunch before retracing your steps back to Maiden Newton.

If that's not enough exercise for you, it is possible to continue on to Cerne Abbas for lunch at one of its three pubs. Be warned though it's a 12-mile round trip up and down the three valleys.