

SANDBACH FOOTPATH GROUP

Winterley and Golf Course - NO STILE

5.5 miles, about 3 hours

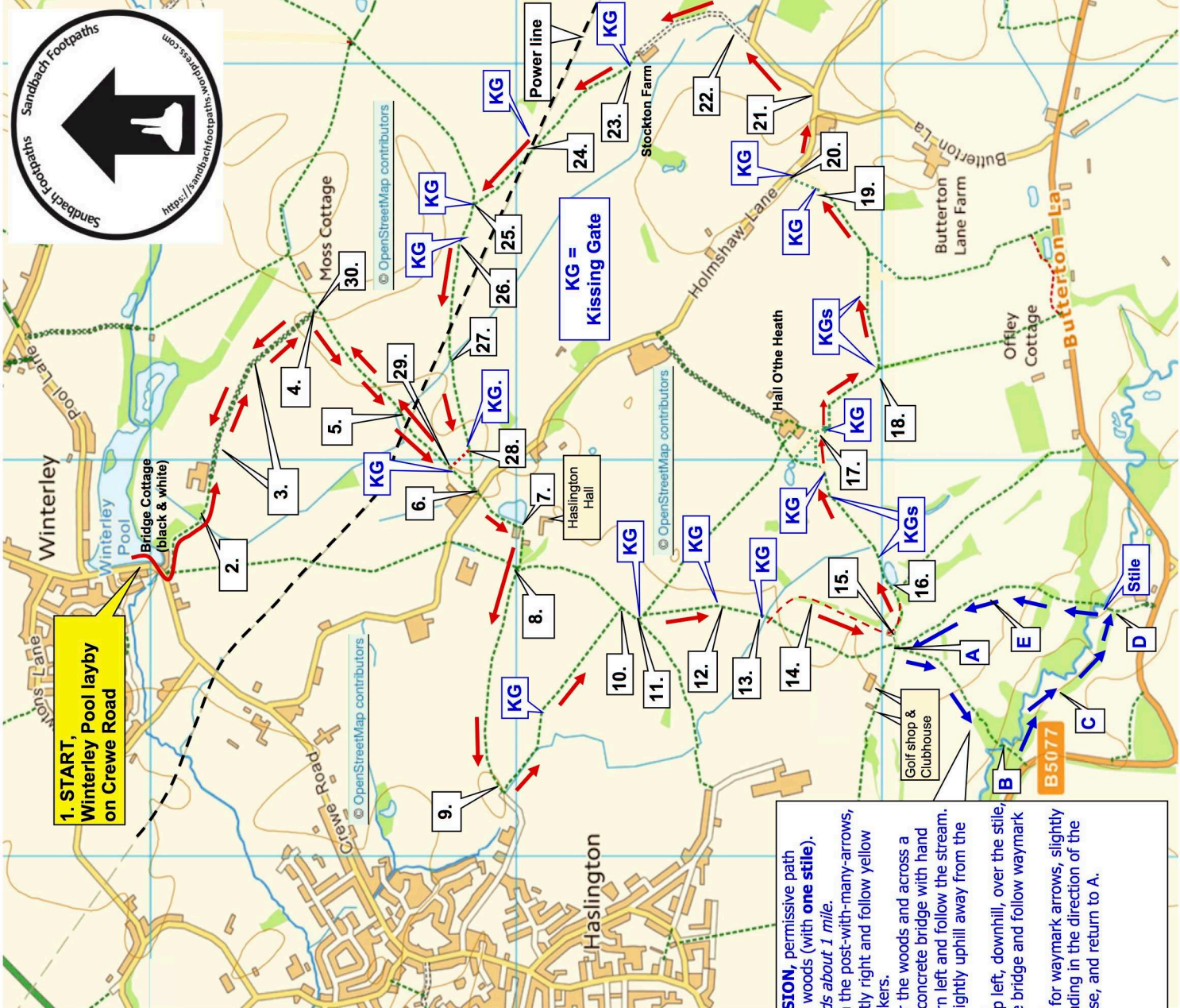
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1. **START, Winterley Pool layby on Crewe Road**
2. Follow tarmac track past Winterley Pool Fishery and then passing Winterley Pool Farm.
3. Stay on farm track, now unsurfaced.
4. At Moss Cottage, go right, keep the hedge on your right.
5. Follow the path, via a gate-within-a-gate, then a KG, heading for a KG to the left of farm buildings to a road.
6. Cross the road and go towards Haslington Hall.
7. Bend round to the right, viewing Haslington Hall on the left.
8. At a crossing of tracks, go straight on a tarmac track.
9. The track approaches some houses, but turn sharp left to follow a path with trees to your right. Leave the trees and through a KG, now with a hedge on the left.
10. At a track, turn right for about 20 metres, then left at a KG.
11. Do not follow the hedge on your left, but go diagonally across the field and over a bridge and KG.
12. Go slightly right heading about 50m in from the corner to a KG.
13. Through this KG and over a bridge onto the golf course driving range.
14. The right of way goes directly through the middle of the range, but it is probably safer to go to the left and follow a line of trees, ending to the right of the groundsman's yard, to a post-of-many-arrows.
15. Turn left at the post and onto the golf track.
16. Go to the left of two ponds (small then a larger pond). Then keep the field boundary on the left via two KGs, following the yellow waymarker arrows. At another KG, go slightly right to a solitary stile.
17. Go round the solitary stile turning right onto a track, then, after about 30m, left at a KG and follow a hedge on your left.
18. Keeping the boundary on the left go via two KGs.
19. At a third KG go towards the next KG and the road.
20. At the road go right.
21. Keep left on the road, ignoring all turns and forks right.
22. Join the farm track, then through a gate-within-a-gate.
23. Go via Stockton Farm and the "antique" machines and then through a KG left of the farmhouse, but partly hidden by a barn.
24. Immediately under pylon power cables, go through KG.
25. Go through KG, a hedge now on the left, going slightly uphill to the next KG on the left.
26. Through this KG and head for the next pylon (tower), going under the power cables again.
27. Go through a gate-within-a-gate and head towards the farm buildings.
28. Before the farm buildings, at a KG, go right, keeping a hedge a few metres to the right, to another KG.
29. Through this KG to rejoin the outward path.
30. Go left near Moss Cottage and follow the track back to the start.



EXTENSION, permissive path through woods (with **one stile**). This adds about 1 mile.

A. From the post-with-many-arrows, go slightly right and follow yellow waymarkers.

B. Enter the woods and across a narrow concrete bridge with hand rails, turn left and follow the stream.

C. Go slightly uphill away from the stream.

D. Sharp left, downhill, over the stile, over the bridge and follow waymarker arrows.

E. Look for waymarker arrows, slightly left, heading in the direction of the clubhouse, and return to A.