

Magnified view of ginnel from A534 to Maple Close and route to Hawthorne Drive

Maple Close

Hawthorne Drive

Ginnel

St Mary's Dell

3. Find ginnel off A534 and follow it uphill to Maple Close, then onto Hawthorne Drive

7. DO NOT go over stile to main road. Keep to obvious track,

8. Approach yard and farm buildings/barns

10. Turn right at lane [after the farm buildings].

9. Amongst the farmyards, look for a tall blue cylinder and pass to the left of it.

6. Follow obvious track, quarry on right.

5. Near St John's Church, go over stile on right and turn left to follow hedge on left.

Keep going via the wiggle in same direction

4 a). Take Footpath (FP14). This starts as a ginnel between houses off Hawthorne Drive.

4 c) If FP14 is closed due to building work, follow Heath Road and Church Lane over M6.

4 b) Wrights Lane, off Heath Road, is an alternative to the ginnel part of FP14.

1. START-FINISH Waitrose carpark.

2. Drop down into St Mary's dell, then up, to emerge near traffic lights

12. Follow obvious track all the way to A533.

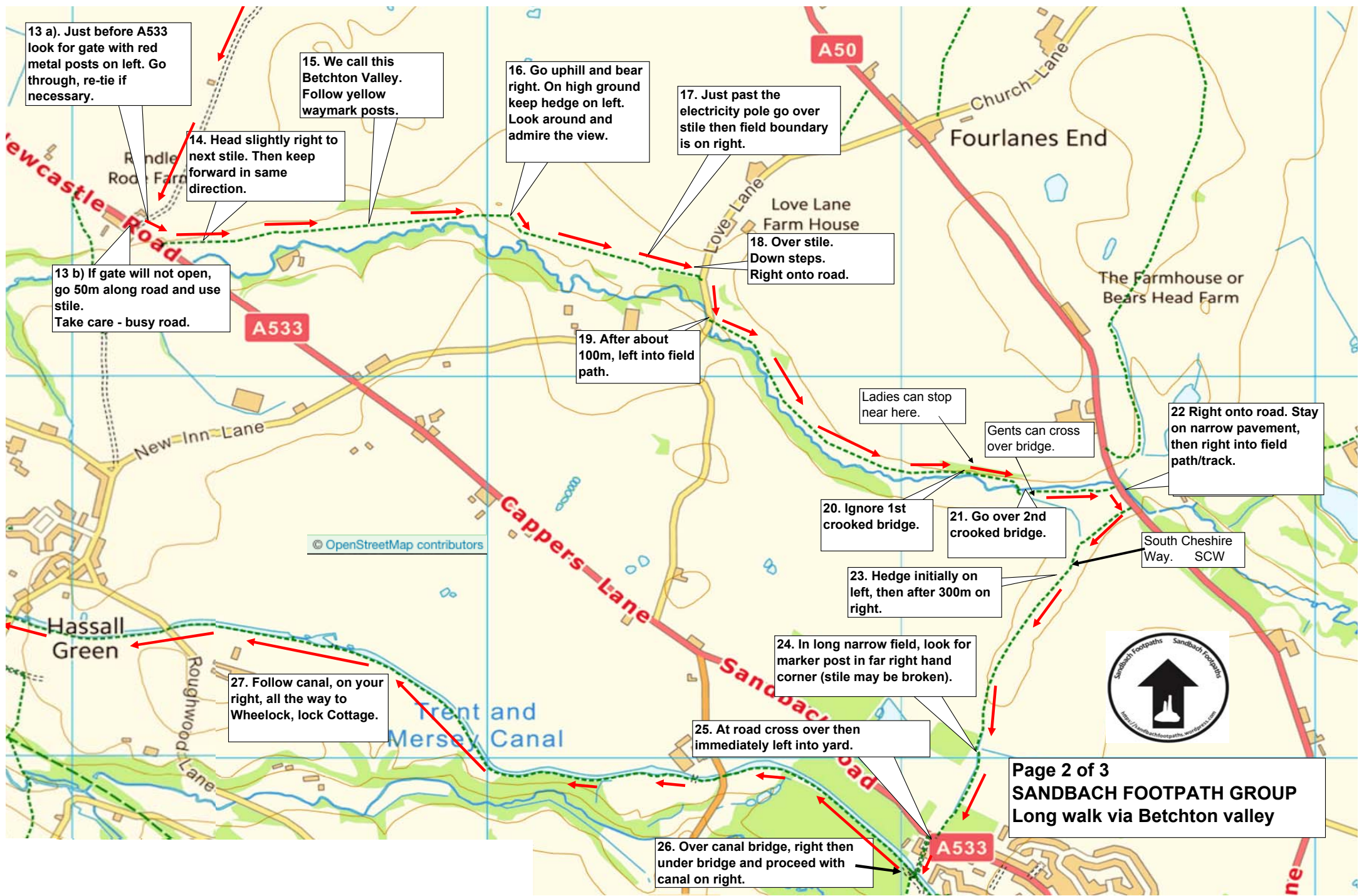
11. Go left on track towards Airport.

13 a). Just before A533 look for gate with red metal posts on left. Go through, re-tie if necessary. (See page 2)

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13 a). Just before A533 look for gate with red metal posts on left. Go through, re-tie if necessary.

15. We call this Betchton Valley. Follow yellow waymark posts.

16. Go uphill and bear right. On high ground keep hedge on left. Look around and admire the view.

17. Just past the electricity pole go over stile then field boundary is on right.

14. Head slightly right to next stile. Then keep forward in same direction.

18. Over stile. Down steps. Right onto road.

13 b) If gate will not open, go 50m along road and use stile. Take care - busy road.

19. After about 100m, left into field path.

Ladies can stop near here.

Gents can cross over bridge.

22 Right onto road. Stay on narrow pavement, then right into field path/track.

20. Ignore 1st crooked bridge.

21. Go over 2nd crooked bridge.

South Cheshire Way. SCW

23. Hedge initially on left, then after 300m on right.

24. In long narrow field, look for marker post in far right hand corner (stile may be broken).

25. At road cross over then immediately left into yard.

27. Follow canal, on your right, all the way to Wheelock, lock Cottage.

26. Over canal bridge, right then under bridge and proceed with canal on right.



1. START-FINISH
Waitrose carpark.

36. Stay in Brook Wood until the exit opposite Waitrose.

34. Right onto Coronation Crescent.

33. Right into first ginnel.

35. Right into Brook Wood down steps and bear left.

32. Left onto Mill Hill Lane

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31. Leave woods, over stile, into field, stay in the valley, then left over footbridge and bear right

30. Go under old Railway [Dancing Bridge].

29. After kissing gate, turn right, then drop down and over footbridge.

28. At Lock Cottage, just before flyover, go right, over canal bridge 152, then left and under bypass, canal on left.

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