



River Chess Smarter Water Catchment

About the River Chess Smarter Water Catchments project

The partnerships 10-year catchment plan sets out to create a place where people are working together to protect and improve the water environment for everyone, and this is exactly what we have been doing in the Chess. Thames Water are working in partnership with the Chilterns Conservation Board, River Chess Association, Buckinghamshire Council, Chilterns Society, Environment Agency, Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust, Affinity Water & many other interested community groups to deliver this project.

The River Chess Strategy has 6 key themes



If you would like to get involved or now more please contact us at chessCS@chilternsaonb.org or phone the Chiltern Society on 01494 771 250

Walks in the River Chess catchment

The River Chess rises in springs to the north and west of Chesham, located in a series of dry valleys which converge on the town, separated by ridges - Chartridge, Asheridge and Hawridge.

The walks described in these leaflets connect several country pubs in the villages surrounding the town. A (rather limited) bus service connects these villages with Chesham, which lies at the far end of the Metropolitan railway. Chesham is a 'walkers are welcome' town, with many cafés and restaurants, and also a branch of Millets (should you forget your boots). The area can also be reached from Great Missenden and Wendover (on the Chiltern Railways line to Aylesbury), and by car (A413 and A416).

Footpaths in the Chilterns are monitored and maintained by volunteers from the Chiltern Society. Should you encounter any problems, please contact us.

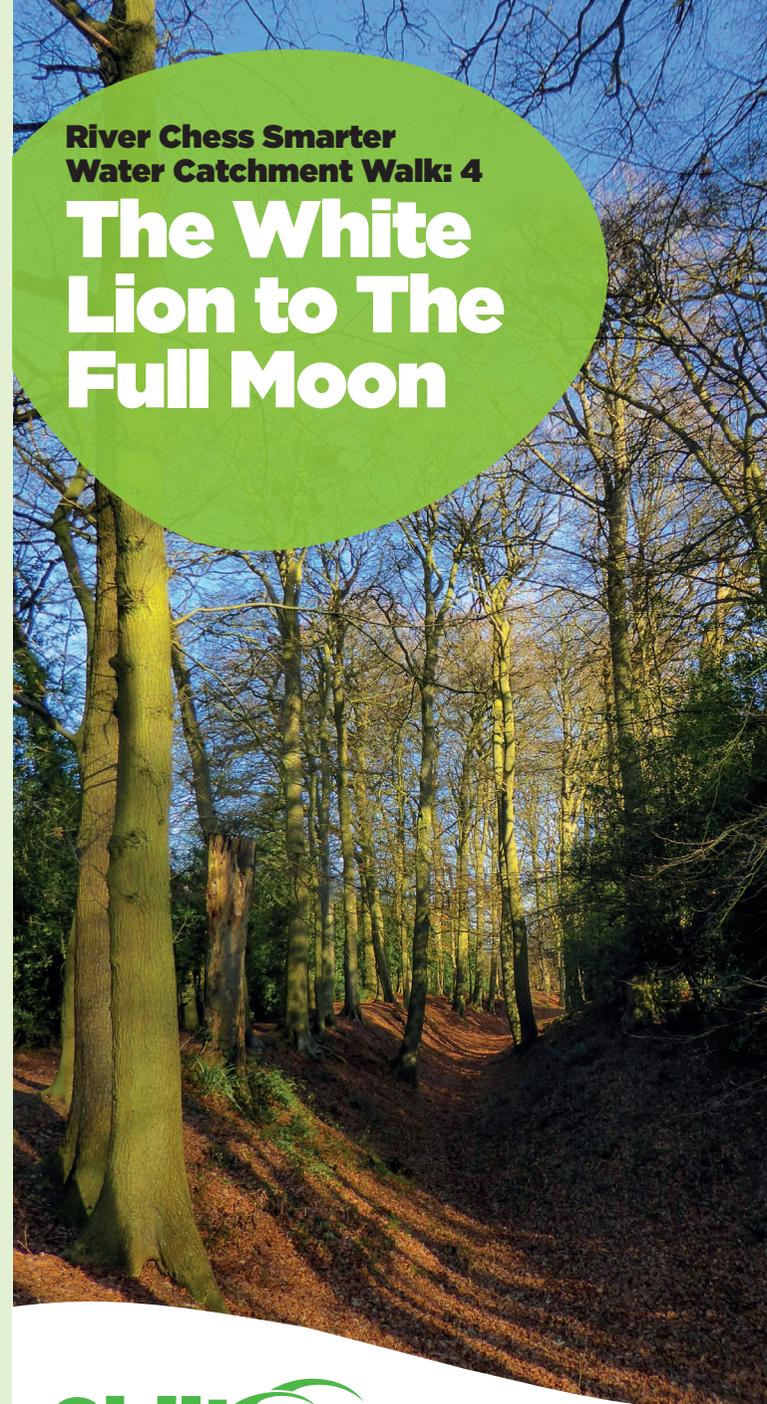
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The White Lion to The Full Moon



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The White Lion in St. Leonards to The Full Moon, Cholesbury

THE WHITE LION: The newly refurbished White Lion at St. Leonards is a beautiful country pub set in the outstanding Chiltern Hills. It offers a Mediterranean inspired Spanish menu, with fine wines and cask ales.

DISTANCE: 2.2 miles / 3.6 km

DURATION: 1 hour

DIFFICULTY: EASY

TERRAIN: Total ascent of 170m, descent 235m

The route

Leave the pub by the footpath in the corner of the car park. Head downhill and cross Bottom Road

- 1 Turn left onto Little Twye Road
- 2 Turn right onto a footpath opposite farm track, just after the houses on the left
- 3 Turn right onto Parrott's Lane
- 4 Take the footpath to the left of Parrott's Farm. Keep to the right at the next 4 path junctions
- 5 The path leads through woods to the ramparts of Cholesbury hillfort. Follow the path to the right, then turn left at the track leading to St Lawrence Church. Follow the path past the 'Holy Well', and after two stiles, descend into the ditch
- 6 Leave the fort by the path heading NE. At Shire Lane turn left, then right onto a footpath
- 7 Cross Cholesbury Road and head uphill through the woods to emerge near the cricket pitch.
- 8 The path to the Full Moon passes the Pudding Stone, and parish boundary stone



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THE WHITE LION



THE HOLY WELL



GRAVESTONE OF DAVID NEWTON,
SURVIVOR OF TRAFALGAR - TO LEFT
ON ENTERING THE CHURCHYARD



PARROTT'S LANE



PUDDING STONE ON
CHOLESBURY COMMON



THE FULL MOON