- 6a. Detour Go straight over at the crossroads and walk up the lane to the old reservoir return to crossroads and TR.
- 6. TL at crossroads towards Milborne Port. Notice the old mill on your R which is now a house. Walk on with the stream on your LHS. SA past a right turn and continue up hill under the railway bridge.
- 7. Continue along road until overhead electric cables. Just after this go through a metal gate on the LHS of the road. Go down the field to the bottom right hand corner. Go over the waymarked stile and walk along beside the stream. TR at the hedge. Walk up beside the hedge and over a stile into the next field.
- 8. About half way up the field over a stile in the hedge. TL and then R along the field edge. Through a gate and take waymark to the L. Follow the stone wall down to a wooden gate between houses. Down the track to another gate and then over a stone into the lane.
- 9. TR into Kingsbury. Follow the stream and TL and walk over the bridge. The bridge was built in 1856 to replace a ford. Note the old footbridge.
- 10. Walk up the road and just after Hillside go up small steps on the right to a footpath. Through a kissing gate into a field. Take a diagonal path across the field to the far L corner. Through a kissing gate on to Station Road.
- 11. Carry on along the road until you reach the A.30. At the crossroads TL.

Note the Town Hall across the road. This ancient building is used by the Parish Council and the Women's Institute for meetings.

12. TL at the Queens Head into East Street and return to the car park.



The old footbridge with the 1856 bridge behind



View from East Hill

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Milborne Port Womens Institute

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## No 3 - The Blue Walk

## Milborne Port Parish Walks Milborne Port and Milborne Wick

4 miles (6.5 kms)



Milborne Wick Church

Countryside walk, Milborne Port and Milborne Wick. Lanes and footpaths – some stiles

Start walk at the East Street Car park.

**MAP: OS EXPLORER 129** 

## **Directions**

- 1. Walk begins at East Street Car Park which is free. Leave the car park and TR into East Street. As road bends take the left hand footpath next to the bungalow. Over stile or gate.
- 2. Walk diagonally across the field to a metal kissing gate. The path goes between houses and the nursery. Stile into Wheathill Lane opposite cemetery. TR and walk along the road until you reach a footpath on the left, about half a mile. Over a stile into the field. Footpath through the field to stile into Old Bowden Way.
- 3. TR up the hill through wooded area. The track can be quite muddy and is uneven at the top of the track TL over a stile onto waymarked footpath.
- 4 The footpath winds through the wood and ends in a stile into a field. Cross the field to a stile opposite and TR on to the road. (**Take care there is no footpath**). Go under the railway bridge and take the next L signposted Milbome Wick.
- 5. Walk down this road into the hamlet of Milbome Wick with stream and ponds to your RHS. Usually many wild duck here. Past the old mill wheel to crossroads. The small church was built in 1891 on the site of a much earlier building. It is still used for services on a regular basis.

