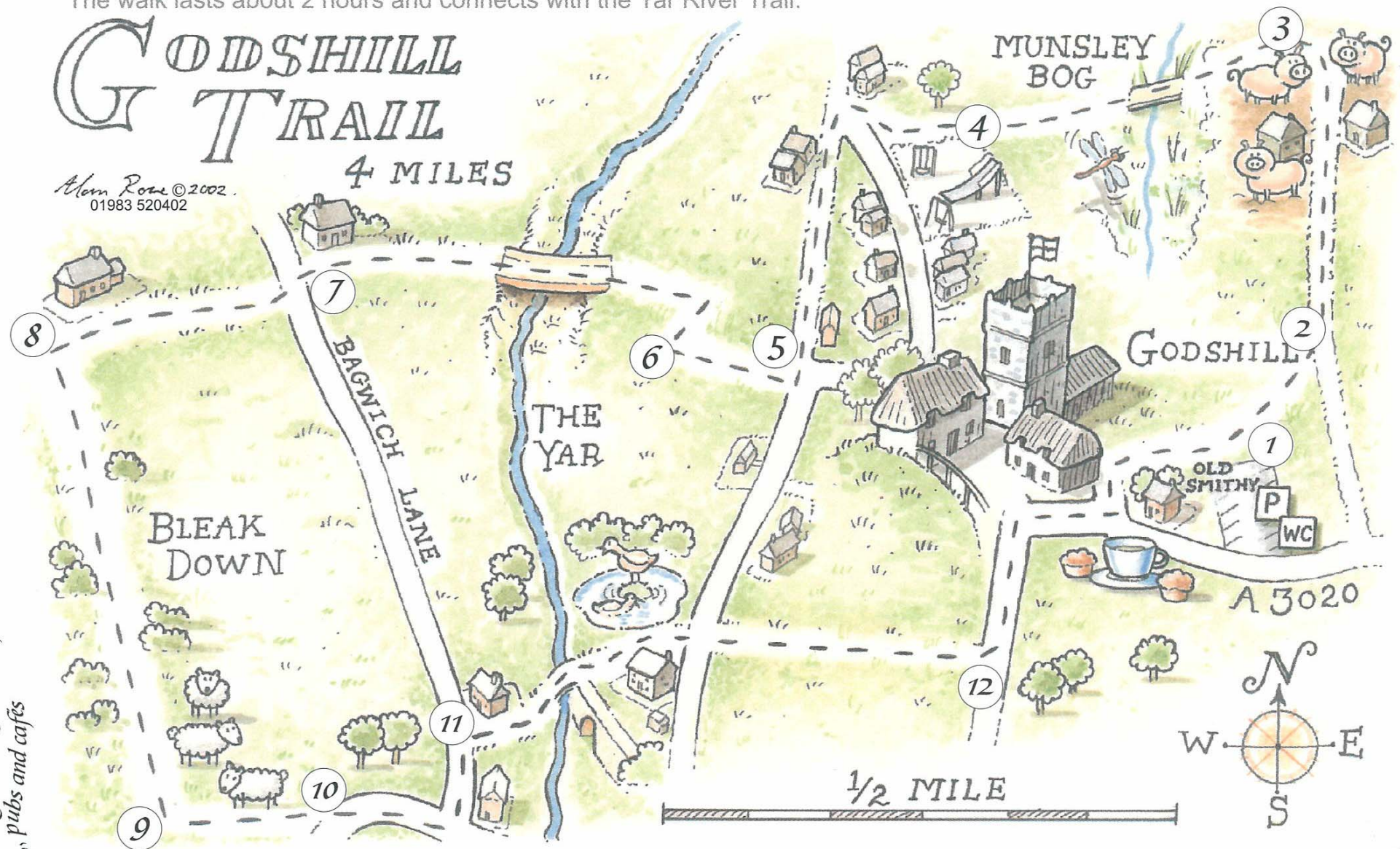
GODSHILL TRAIL

4 MILES

A 4-mile walk — *for which you may prefer to wear boots* — introduces you to the varied countryside around Godshill. The walk lasts about 2 hours and connects with the Yar River Trail.



Follow the waymarks: Godshill *Yar River Trail* *1. Start in the Old Smithy car park, off the main Godshill road. Walk to the far end and take the stile on the right. 2. Cross the field and turn left up farm track to Moor Farm. 3. Turn left through farm buildings, through metal kissing gate and follow track across field. You will cross the river Yar here, via a boardwalk. Head straight up hill. 7. Cross Bagwich Lane and up the hill onto Bleak Down, keeping the hedge to your right. 8. Turn left through wooden gate at top of field and walk along Down. 9. Turn left, downhill before Upper Elliots Farm. 10. At stile, turn left into Beacon Alley then left again into Bagwich Lane. 11. Turn right before the second house and follow path past the ruins of the old mill, once powered by the Yar. Pass Bridgecourt Farm and straight across main road to walk up field edge opposite. 12. At the end, turn left onto the lane and follow this to Godshill Church and the pretty thatched heart of the village where you can enjoy refreshments at one of the many tea gardens, pubs and cafés*

Take stile on the left, leading between young fruit trees at Deacons Nursery. Walk between horse fields until you reach Munsley Bog, a rare remnant of acid bog interpreted by artists Tim Johnson and Paul Sivell. 4. Cross play area into 'May Close'. Cross the main road and turn into 'Dubbers', taking the track left which leads behind houses. 5. As you reach the main road, turn right to Scotland Farm. 6. Turn right just before farmhouse, through metal kissing gate and follow track across field. You will cross the river Yar here, via a boardwalk. Head