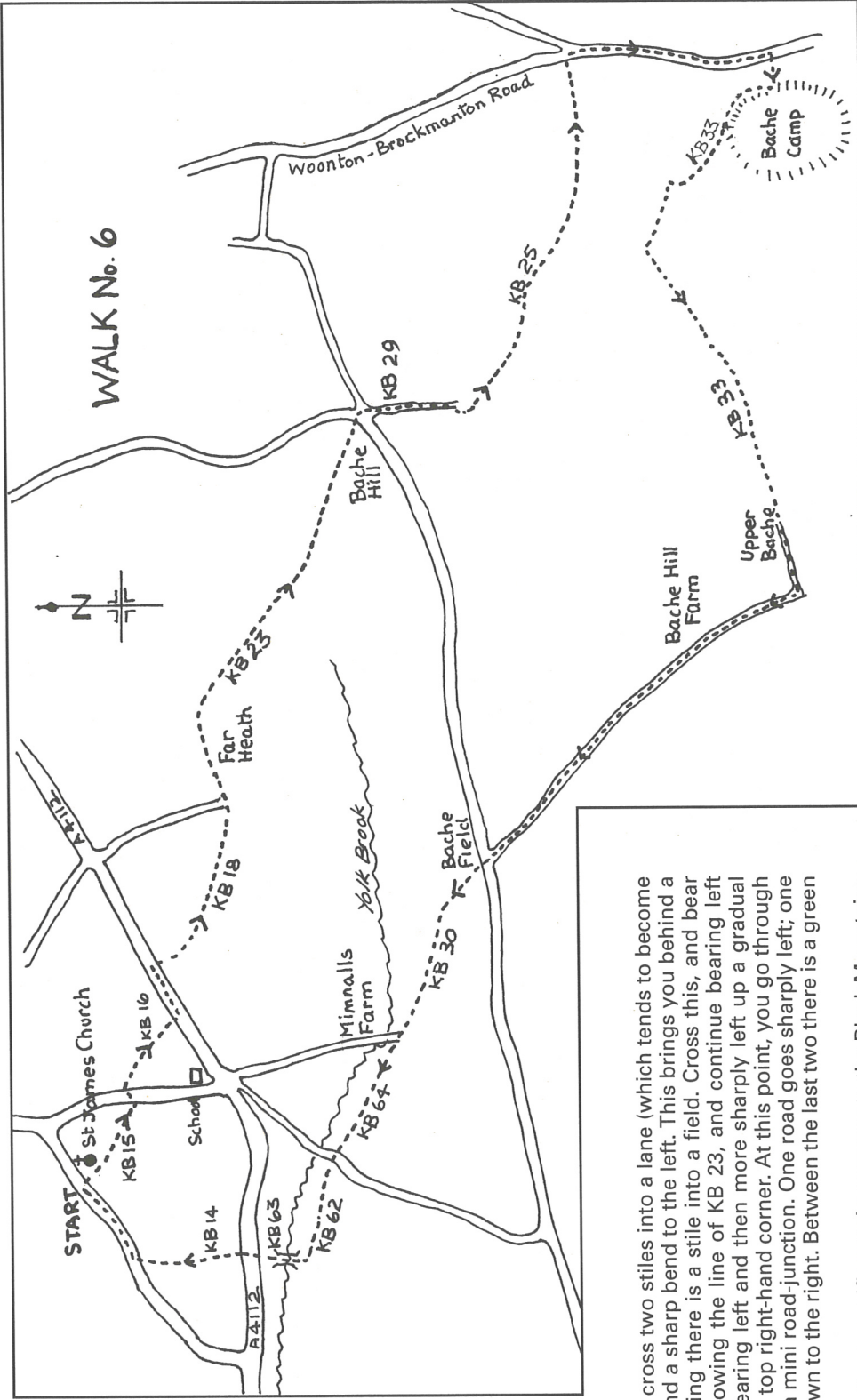


## Walk No. 6

This walk starts at St. James's Church, Kimbolton. There is parking for about 10 vehicles on the roadside by the church. The views from the church towards the south-west are very fine. To start the walk, go into the churchyard and through the churchyard to the far side, where there is another gate leading into a field. Go straight across the field to the left-hand corner along KB 15. You go through another gate into the road. Turn left for a very short distance. You come to a footpath-signpost on the right. This leads you over a stile to KB 16, which leads diagonally down to the right across a field to the main A4112, which is reached over a stile. Turn left and walk a short distance along the A4112. Across the road go right over a stile into a field. You walk down the field with the hedgerow on your left for a very short way, then you turn half-left through a gap in the hedgerow and cross the next field diagonally to the left, the line of KB 18. This footpath across the field brings you to the bottom left-hand corner where you cross two stiles into a lane (which tends to become overgrown). Turn right on to the lane and round a sharp bend to the left. This brings you behind a building called Far Heath. Just past the building there is a stile into a field. Cross this, and bear diagonally left to the far left-hand corner following the line of KB 23, and continue bearing left down to a stream across another field still bearing left and then more sharply left up a gradual slope up a wide field full of sheep. Aim for the top right-hand corner. At this point, you go through a gate into a road at Bache Hill. This is in fact a mini road-junction. One road goes sharply left; one goes straight ahead; and one drops sharply down to the right. Between the last two there is a green lane to your right, and this you take.

Before you do so, stop to look back and admire the magnificent view across to the Black Mountains and Radnor Forest and also over the whole of Kimbolton over towards Middleton to the right and towards Leominster half-left ahead.

The lane (KB 29) which you now take continues for about 150 yards, and leads to a gate. Go through the gate into a field, and take KB 52 by following the headland round to the left to the top left-hand corner of the field where there is a stile leading into another field. Go half-left through this field and through the next gate into another field, usually with sheep in it. This field drops quite sharply down to a dip. You go straight down the field (with pleasant views across to Whyte) and through a gap in the hedgerow at the bottom of the field; then straight up the far side to a stile which brings you out on to the Wootton-Brockmanton road. Turn right on to the Wootton-Brockmanton road towards Brockmanton. Carry on down for about 200 yards, and, where the road begins to bend gently to the left, keep your eyes open for a stile and a walkers' signpost on your right. Cross this stile on to KB 33, and go very steeply up through the field towards the top of Bache Camp, an ancient monument from iron-age times. Towards the top of the slope bear round to the right and then drop steeply straight down to the bottom of the very large field which extends round Bache Camp and down to the line of a brook. Follow the line of the brook left for a short distance before turning right over a bridge over the brook. Then bear initially left before sweeping round to the right along the headland of a large field, keeping the hedgerow on your immediate left. Then



follow this hedgerow until it swings to the left, still on KB 33. By now you will see the buildings of Upper Bache Farm above you and to the half-right. Go through the farm and on to the road beyond it. The views from here are panoramic; magnificent on a fine day. Go down the road for about 400 yards past Bache Hill Farm on your right to the T-Junction. Here, with Bache Field Farm ahead of you and with a barn on your left, you go half-left through a gate by the entrance to the farm. Continue (on KB 60) along the right headland and carry straight on until you reach the line of the York Brook. Carry straight on along KB 64 until you come to a stile which takes you into a small road which you cross before going over another stile into a big field full of sheep. Keep to the right on KB 62 along the brook until, after about 200 yards, you come to a bridge over the brook. Cross this bridge on to KB 63, and go up a short distance through a field to the A4112. Cross the road, and follow the marked footpath sign to the right of a house, Little Britain: effectively through the garden. Continue until you reach the road on Church Hill, and turn right, back to Kimbolton Church. Distance: 4-5 miles.