

Local Snippets:

The name Bulwick means 'bull or bullock' farm.

In mediaeval times the village of Henwick was situated to the north of Bulwick Hall. Other settlement remains, deserted by the early 18th Century, can be clearly seen to the south of Bulwick as well as a deeply cut hollow-way running north-east across Bulwick Park - the predecessor of the present main road.

Bulwick Hall is the seat of the Tryon family who distinguished themselves as soldiers and sailors. The hall was partly rebuilt and enlarged in 1676 when a seven-bay flat roofed loggia with a balustrade was added. The lovely gardens were also laid out at this time.

The opening of the bypass after years of increasingly heavy traffic flow, signalled the return of this picturesque village to peaceful anonymity.

The narrow road which cuts a winding path through the village once carried all the industrial traffic from Corby and beyond to the east. The persistent vibration had a detrimental effect on the buildings close to the road just as the persistent noise and danger had a detrimental effect on the inhabitants lives.

The new 1.7 mile stretch of road which sweeps through the countryside to the west of the village was opened on 16th April 1986 by the Minister of Transport.

Even before it was opened the jubilant villagers organized a 'fun run' along the bypass and the actual opening was celebrated in a traditional manner with church bells ringing and many a tankard of ale being drunk at a pub party.

A Walkers' Code



1. Always keep to the path to avoid trespass. If the path is obstructed you are allowed to seek a reasonable way round the obstruction, taking care to avoid causing damage. Please report the obstruction to the highway authority.
2. Remember to close gates behind you. Straying stock can cause damage or spread disease and carelessness may lead to tragedy.
3. To avoid harm or distress to farm animals and wildlife it is best to leave dogs at home. If you have to bring them they should be kept on a leash.
4. If your route takes you onto a road keep to the right, facing oncoming traffic and use the verge if one exists.
5. Always wear suitable clothing and footwear for the season and remember to allow plenty of time to complete your chosen walk.
6. Remember that every piece of land in the countryside belongs to someone, so please treat it with respect and other walkers will be made welcome.

If you experience any difficulty on your walk such as barbed wire, locked gates or damaged stiles and footbridges please report them to the Principal Rights of Way Officer, Area 1 office, 73 London Road, Kettering. Tel. 524100.

Your general comments on this leaflet and the routes will be welcomed by the Director of Planning and Transportation, Northampton House, Northampton, NN1 2HZ.

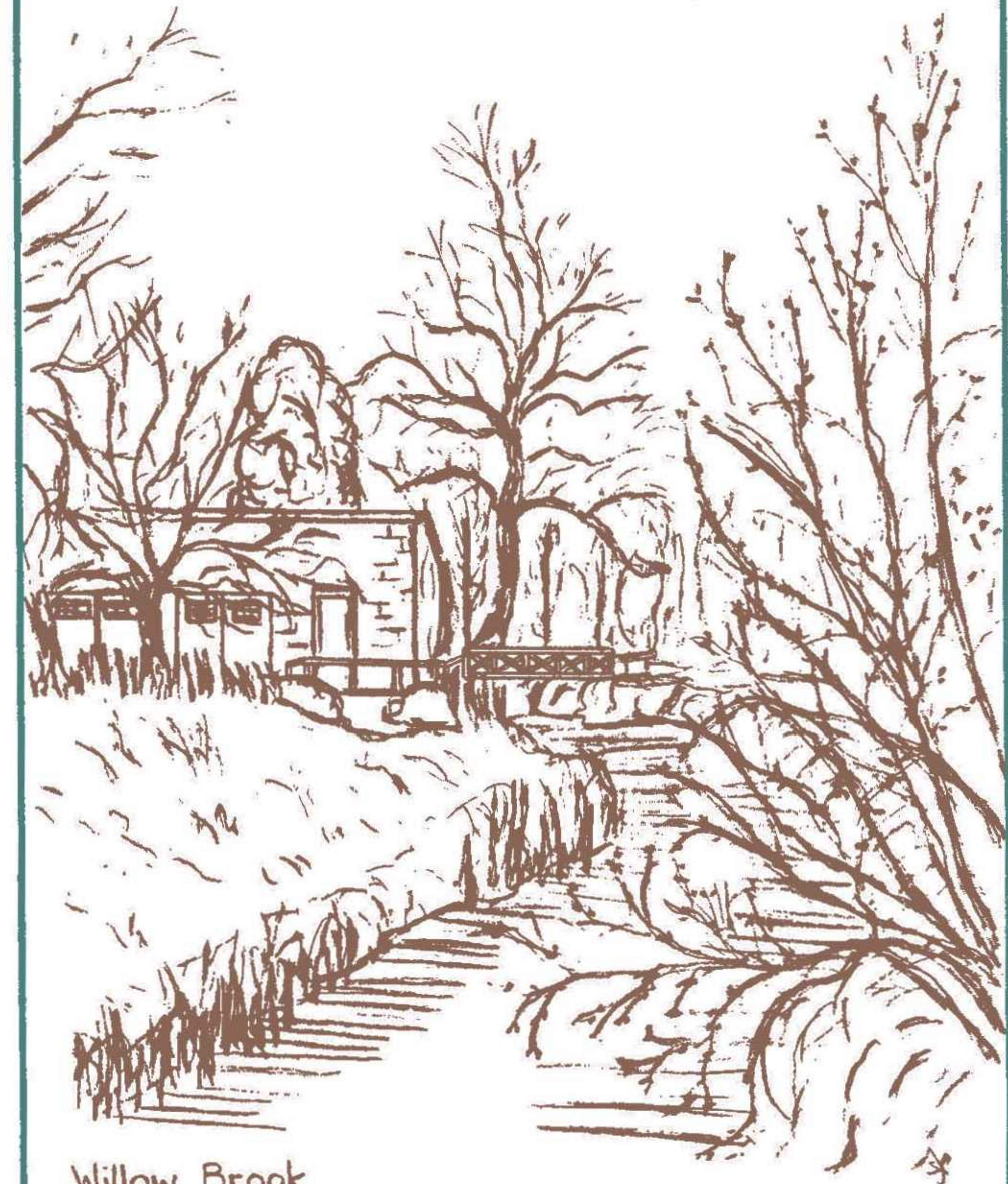
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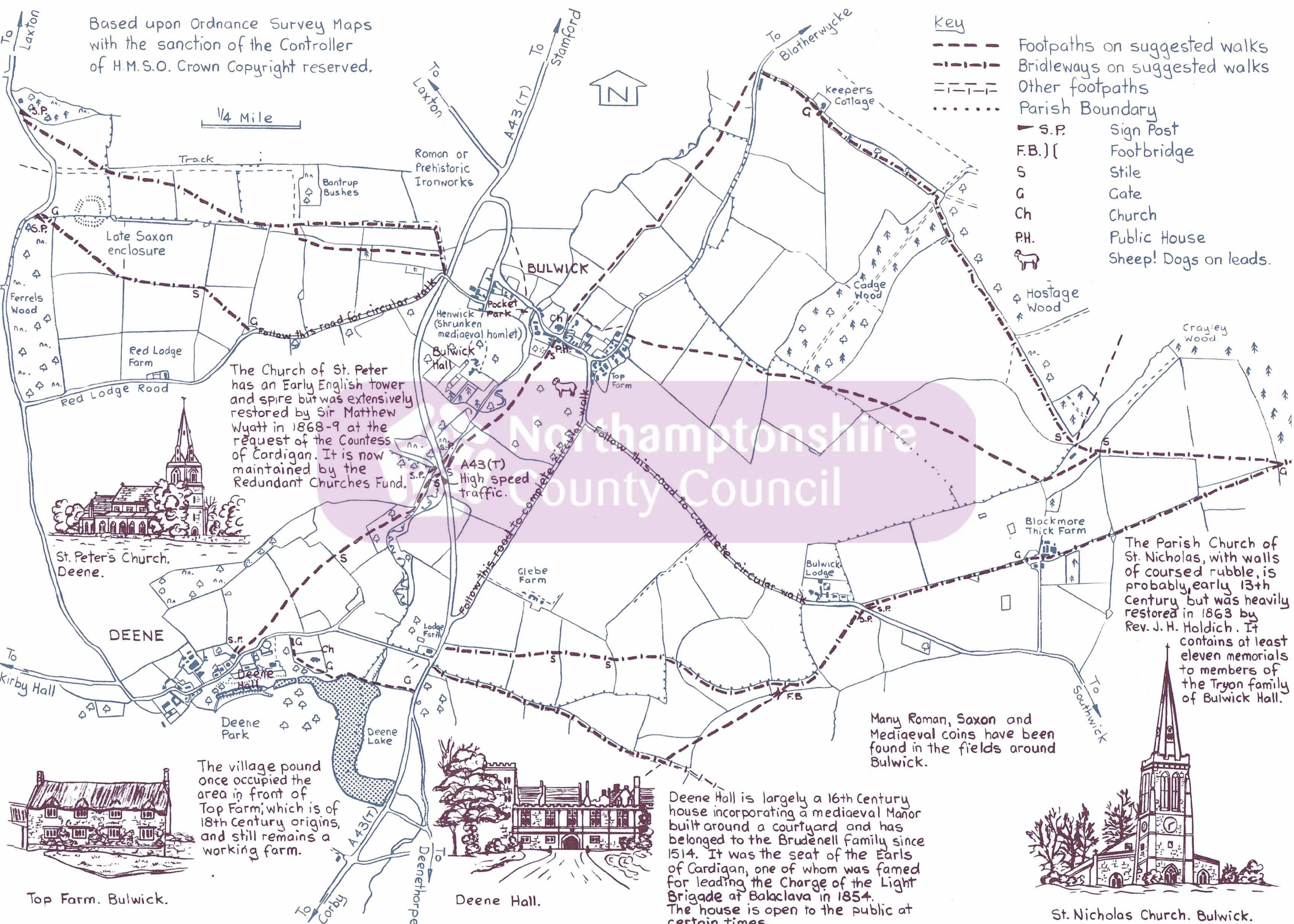


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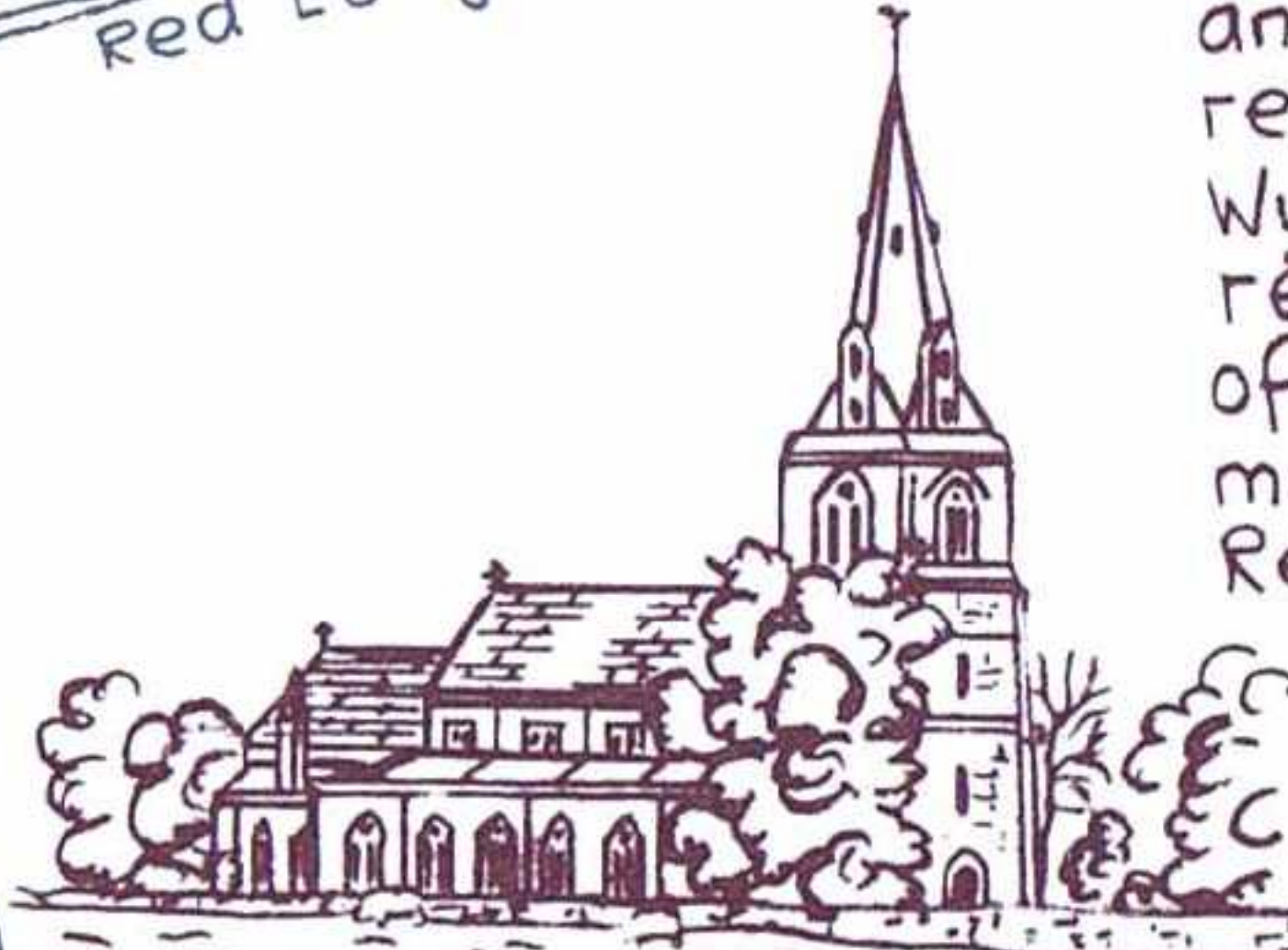


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- Footpaths on suggested walks
 - - - Bridleways on suggested walks
 - - - - Other footpaths
 - Parish Boundary
 - ▲ S.P. Sign Post
 - F.B.) (Footbridge
 - S Stile
 - G Gate
 - Ch Church
 - PH. Public House
 - 🐑 Sheep! Dogs on leads.

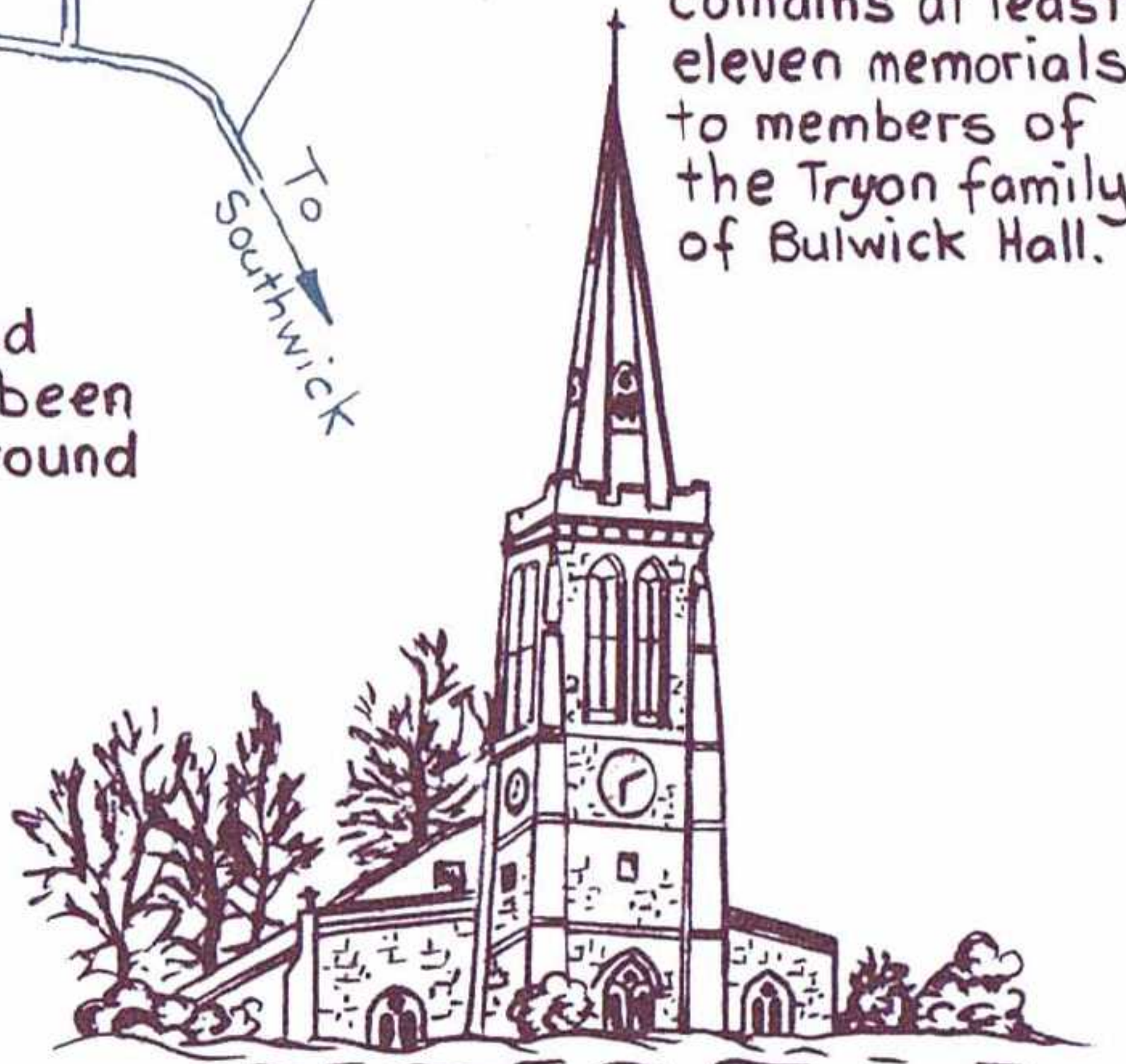


The Church of St. Peter has an Early English tower and spire but was extensively restored by Sir Matthew Wyatt in 1868-9 at the request of the Countess of Cardigan. It is now maintained by the Redundant Churches Fund.



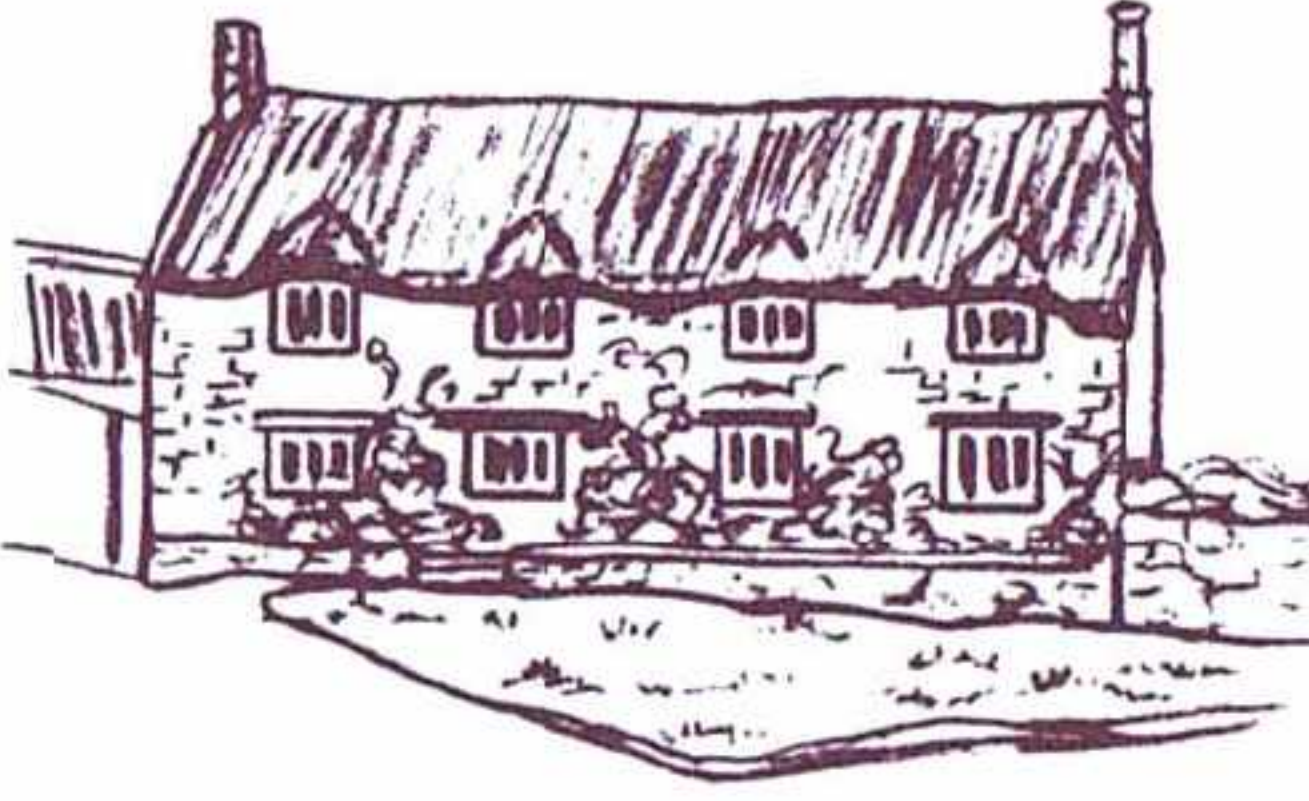
St. Peter's Church, Deene.

The Parish Church of St. Nicholas, with walls of coursed rubble, is probably, early 13th Century but was heavily restored in 1863 by Rev. J. H. Holdich. It contains at least eleven memorials to members of the Tryon family of Bulwick Hall.



St. Nicholas Church, Bulwick.

The village pound once occupied the area in front of Top Farm, which is of 18th Century origins, and still remains a working farm.



Top Farm, Bulwick.

Deene Hall is largely a 16th Century house incorporating a mediaeval Manor built around a courtyard and has belonged to the Brudenell family since 1514. It was the seat of the Earls of Cardigan, one of whom was famed for leading the Charge of the Light Brigade at Balaclava in 1854. The house is open to the public at certain times.



Deene Hall.

Many Roman, Saxon and Mediaeval coins have been found in the fields around Bulwick.