

Walk 2 – Footpath No 2, Greenaway Lane, Coffinswell

Distance: About 1.1 miles (1.8 km)

Time: About 30 minutes (+ 10 minutes to visit the well) (circular route)

Terrain: Narrow roads without pavements – grass meadow – woodland track – generally dry under foot – gentle ascent/descent

1 Start the walk from the Linny Inn in Coffinswell and walk back through the village with Princess Cottages on your right.

2 Take the first turning right, up Connybear Lane (sign posted Milber). This is a gently rising route, between high banks, with some wildflowers nearly always growing amongst the grass and hedges.

3 Just beyond Connybear House (on the left) you will see a footpath sign and a ‘kissing’ gate. This leads to a grassy pathway which skirts a field on the right. Pause and look across the valley to the lovely view beyond, to country and moor.

4 At the next ‘kissing’ gate you will come into a grassy field. Please keep dogs on a lead here as there may be animals grazing. Cross the field diagonally, to the corner of the wooden fencing at the far side, and again more views of the distant hills.

5 Follow a wide grassy path, keeping the hedge on your right.

6 Go through yet another ‘kissing’ gate and down the wooded footpath, with banks, hedges and trees on both sides.

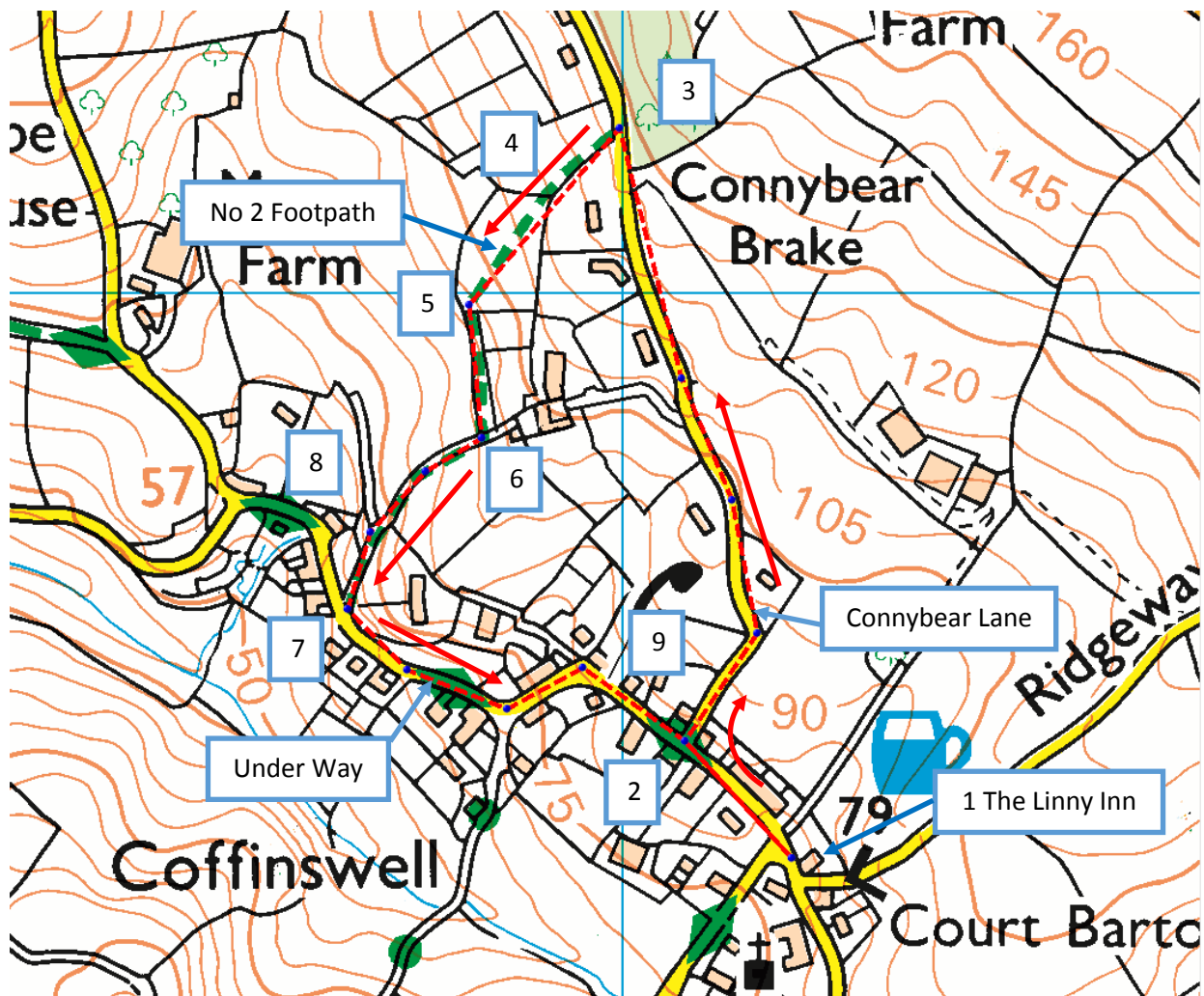
7 A few minutes’ walk down the track brings you on to the road and into the village again. Turn left into the road and follow it up through the village.

A short diversion is an option here if you have not yet seen the Old Well after which Coffinswell is named (Coffyn’s Well). Instead of turning left, turn right and walk 100 yards down to a triangle on the right where you will find the well.

8 After some years of neglect the area around the well has been cleared of weeds and nettles and village volunteers have created a pleasant garden, with some tree-trunk logs to sit on and rest.

9 Retrace your steps back through the village where you will find another a bench to rest on at the top of the hill, put there by the villagers for the Queen’s Silver Jubilee. Pass the post box and telephone box (Grade II listed!) on your left and, about 400 metres on, you are back to the Linny once more.

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1 The Linny Inn



2 Turn right to Connybear Lane



3 Footpath No 2



4 The footpath heads roughly to the middle of this picture before bending round to the left



Head for the corner of the wooden fence



5 Follow the fence to the kissing gate at the end



Real sheep?



6 Kissing gate at the top of the lane



7 Back on the road again



8 The Well area in June



Coffyn's Well



9 Bench and Phone box - Grade II listed!