Start at Bursledon Station car park. Walk up FP505 alongside the car park, noticing on the right, Upcott, the home of many of Bursledon’s ship-builders. At the top of Station Hill, on the right, is Greywell, which used to be a public house on a village green. Turn left to the railway bridge and turn sharp left down FP2. When you get to the Elephant Boatyard, bear right along FP2 and pass two fine houses: Boathouse and Ewers. After Ewers, turn right up the steep FP2 to Land’s End Road, or, if you prefer, take the paths FP9 through the Railway Bridge and turn sharp left down Netley Lane. This lane goes down into a dell, to the left of the road at the top of the hill are the remains of the medieval church of Land’s End, which was replaced by the hodg in 1893. You now enter the conservation area of Old Bursledon. Continue along the lane, passing the Robin Hood pub, and the site of the old railway station, and coming out at Old Station Road. Cross Old Station Road, and, a short distance down, notice the pub, The White Horse. You are now in Kew Lane, a sunken drove road.

Walk uphill from the Fox and Hounds at Hungerford. Take a sharp right turn into Kew Lane and have a rest on the seat in the Parish Council’s Pocket Park. Continue along Kew Lane, passing the Allotments, to Salterns Lane. Turn right, investigating the cul-de-sac, and then left to the bridge over the railway line. Continue along the footpath, crossing the bridge, and running along the back of the cricket ground, past the houses, continue down to the River Hamble. Return to the bridge, retrace your steps back up to the seat at the top of Kew Lane. Turn right and walk past the Vine Inn, between Warsash and Hamble.

The River Hamble has made Bursledon famous. The Romans and the Saxons passed through with their raiding parties. Today, the River Hamble is known as a yachting centre with 10,000 moorings, boatyards and chandleries. The trail is waymarked by strawberry signs and can be followed in either direction from Bursledon Station car park. The River Hamble may be crossed at Bursledon Bridge and by the Pink Ferry, that plies between Warsash and Hamble.

At one time, Bursledon produced the earliest strawberries in the country. Strawberry growing at its peak 1897-1939 involved the picking of the dew-covered fruit, straight from the vine, at dawn, and the carriage of the baskets of fruit to the market town of Warsash, where the fruit was sold fresh from the vine, to the ladies of the gentry, for £1 apiece. Bursledon’s strawberries were particularly popular among the rich and famous, and 锂 at the Jolly Sailor.

Some 450 acres of the area is designated as a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), a Ramsar site (wetland of international importance, especially as a waterfowl habitat), and European Birds Directive. Special Protection Area and Special Area of Conservation under the European Birds Directive.

Netley goes via Bursledon through Mallards Moor ancient woodland. The 15 mile long-distance walking route from Botley to Hamble/Netley goes via Bursledon through Mallards Moor ancient woodland. The trail is waymarked by strawberry signs and can be followed in either direction from Bursledon Station car park. The River Hamble may be crossed at Bursledon Bridge and by the Pink Ferry, that plies between Warsash and Hamble.
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