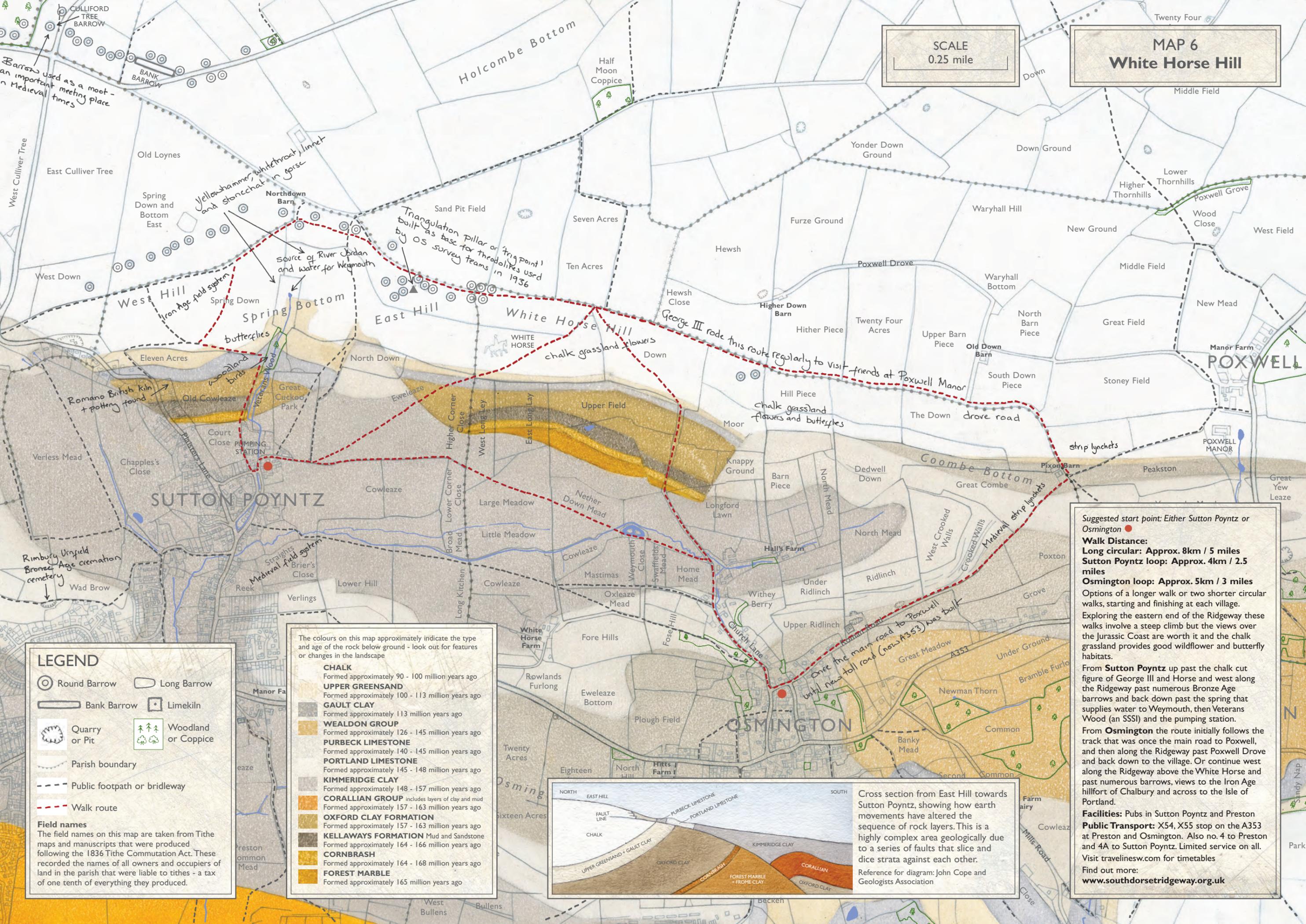


**MAP 6**  
**White Horse Hill**

SCALE  
0.25 mile



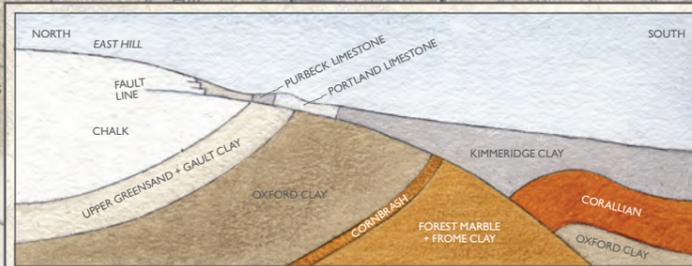
**LEGEND**

- Round Barrow
- Long Barrow
- Bank Barrow
- Limekiln
- Quarry or Pit
- Woodland or Coppice
- Parish boundary
- Public footpath or bridleway
- Walk route

**Field names**  
The field names on this map are taken from Tithes maps and manuscripts that were produced following the 1836 Tithes Commutation Act. These recorded the names of all owners and occupiers of land in the parish that were liable to tithes - a tax of one tenth of everything they produced.

The colours on this map approximately indicate the type and age of the rock below ground - look out for features or changes in the landscape

- CHALK**  
Formed approximately 90 - 100 million years ago
- UPPER GREENSAND**  
Formed approximately 100 - 113 million years ago
- GAULT CLAY**  
Formed approximately 113 million years ago
- WEALDON GROUP**  
Formed approximately 126 - 145 million years ago
- PURBECK LIMESTONE**  
Formed approximately 140 - 145 million years ago
- PORTLAND LIMESTONE**  
Formed approximately 145 - 148 million years ago
- KIMMERIDGE CLAY**  
Formed approximately 148 - 157 million years ago
- CORALLIAN GROUP** includes layers of clay and mud  
Formed approximately 157 - 163 million years ago
- OXFORD CLAY FORMATION**  
Formed approximately 157 - 163 million years ago
- KELLAWAYS FORMATION** Mud and Sandstone  
Formed approximately 164 - 166 million years ago
- CORNBRASH**  
Formed approximately 164 - 168 million years ago
- FOREST MARBLE**  
Formed approximately 165 million years ago



Cross section from East Hill towards Sutton Poyntz, showing how earth movements have altered the sequence of rock layers. This is a highly complex area geologically due to a series of faults that slice and dice strata against each other.  
Reference for diagram: John Cope and Geologists Association

**Suggested start point:** Either Sutton Poyntz or Osmington ●

**Walk Distance:**  
**Long circular:** Approx. 8km / 5 miles  
**Sutton Poyntz loop:** Approx. 4km / 2.5 miles  
**Osmington loop:** Approx. 5km / 3 miles

Options of a longer walk or two shorter circular walks, starting and finishing at each village.

Exploring the eastern end of the Ridgeway these walks involve a steep climb but the views over the Jurassic Coast are worth it and the chalk grassland provides good wildflower and butterfly habitats.

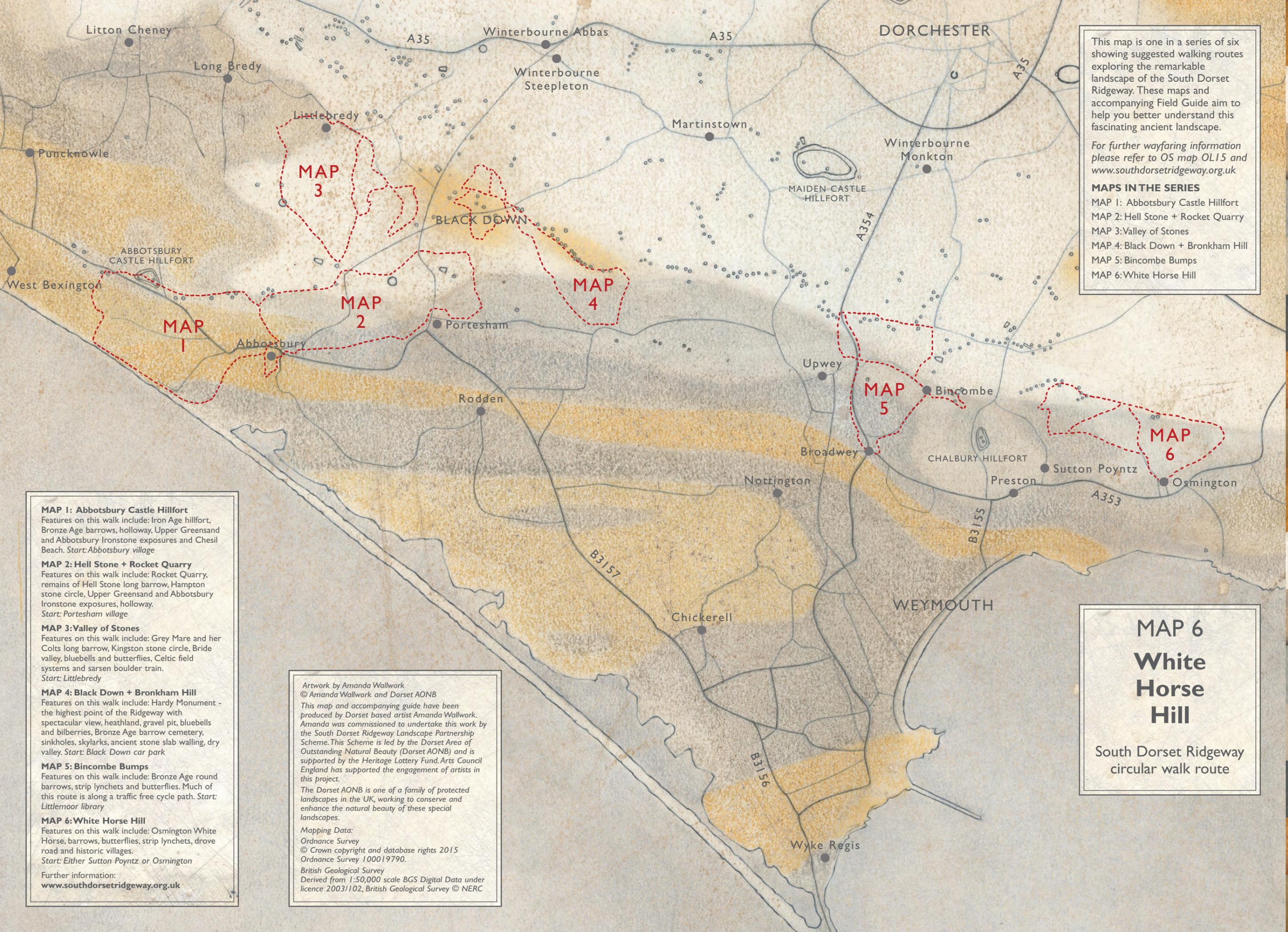
**From Sutton Poyntz** up past the chalk cut figure of George III and Horse and west along the Ridgeway past numerous Bronze Age barrows and back down past the spring that supplies water to Weymouth, then Veterans Wood (an SSSI) and the pumping station.

**From Osmington** the route initially follows the track that was once the main road to Poxwell, and then along the Ridgeway past Poxwell Drive and back down to the village. Or continue west along the Ridgeway above the White Horse and past numerous barrows, views to the Iron Age hillfort of Chalbury and across to the Isle of Portland.

**Facilities:** Pubs in Sutton Poyntz and Preston

**Public Transport:** X54, X55 stop on the A353 at Preston and Osmington. Also no. 4 to Preston and 4A to Sutton Poyntz. Limited service on all. Visit [travelinesw.com](http://travelinesw.com) for timetables

Find out more:  
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This map is one in a series of six showing suggested walking routes exploring the remarkable landscape of the South Dorset Ridgeway. These maps and accompanying Field Guide aim to help you better understand this fascinating ancient landscape.

For further wayfaring information please refer to OS map OL15 and [www.southdorsetridgeway.org.uk](http://www.southdorsetridgeway.org.uk)

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**MAP 1: Abbotsbury Castle Hillfort**  
 Features on this walk include: Iron Age hillfort, Bronze Age barrows, holloway, Upper Greensand and Abbotsbury Ironstone exposures and Chesil Beach. Start: Abbotsbury village

**MAP 2: Hell Stone + Rocket Quarry**  
 Features on this walk include: Rocket Quarry, remains of Hell Stone long barrow, Hampton stone circle, Upper Greensand and Abbotsbury Ironstone exposures, holloway. Start: Portesham village

**MAP 3: Valley of Stones**  
 Features on this walk include: Grey Mare and her Colts long barrow, Kingston stone circle, Bride valley, bluebells and butterflies, Celtic field systems and sarsen boulder train. Start: Littlebredy

**MAP 4: Black Down + Bronkham Hill**  
 Features on this walk include: Hardy Monument - the highest point of the Ridgeway with spectacular view, heathland, gravel pit, bluebells and bilberries, Bronze Age barrow cemetery, sinkholes, skylarks, ancient stone slab walling, dry valley. Start: Black Down car park

**MAP 5: Bincombe Bumps**  
 Features on this walk include: Bronze Age round barrows, strip lynchets and butterflies. Much of this route is along a traffic free cycle path. Start: Littlemoor library

**MAP 6: White Horse Hill**  
 Features on this walk include: Osmington White Horse, barrows, butterflies, strip lynchets, drove road and historic villages. Start: Either Sutton Poyntz or Osmington

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**MAP 6**  
**White Horse Hill**  
 South Dorset Ridgeway circular walk route