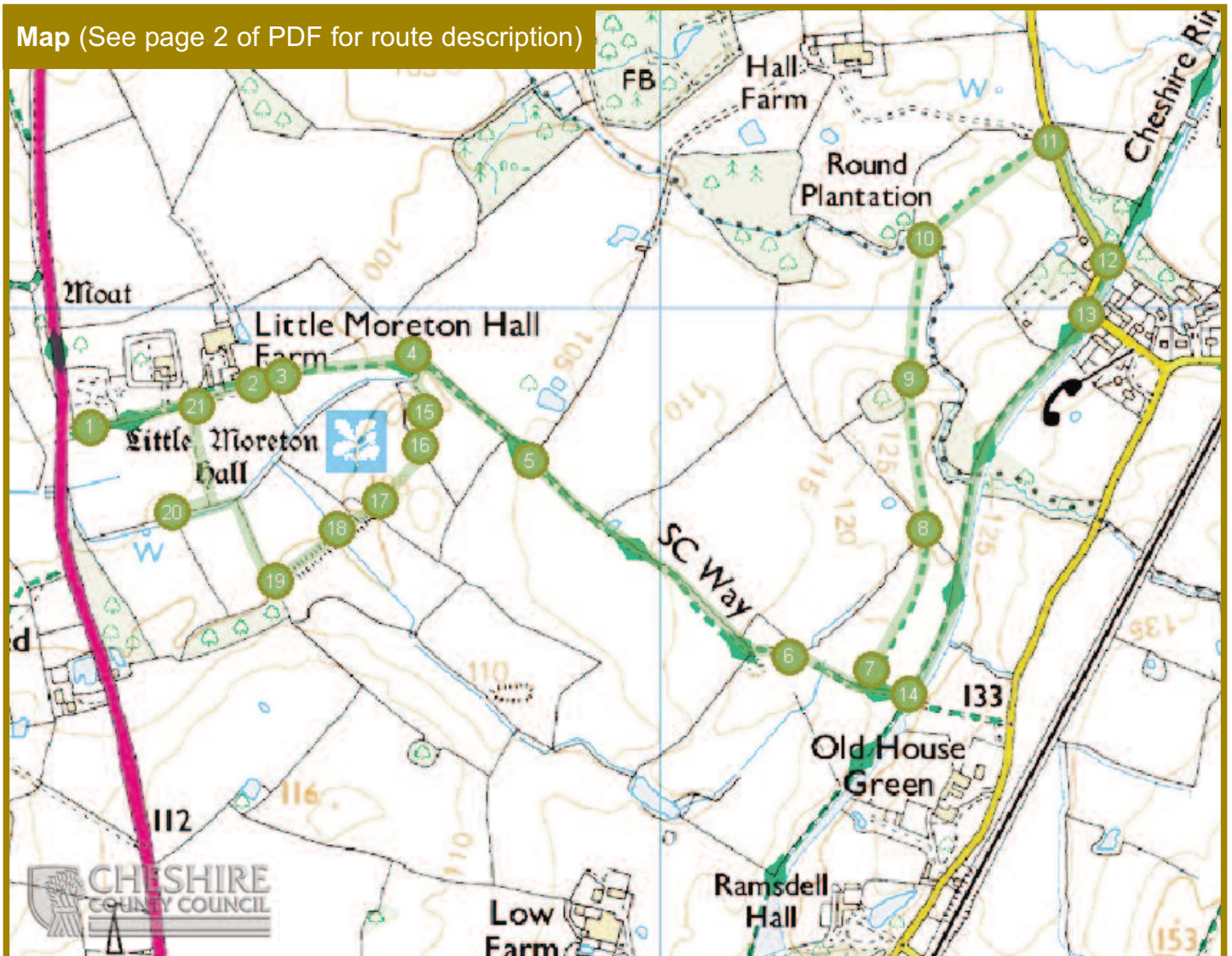


A Walk Around Little Moreton Hall

Enjoy a walk in Cheshire's rural heartland – a landscape shaped by centuries of farming. Linking up with the Macclesfield Canal allows you to enjoy a gentle stroll along this picturesque waterway, before returning once again to cross the fields back to the unique half-timbered Hall.

Grade	Easy
Distance	4.8km/3miles
Accessibility	Unsurfaced tracks/paths, can be muddy. 9 stiles, 7 kissing gates
Allow	2 hours
Start	Little Moreton Hall car park (only available to those paying to visit the property)
Map	OS Explorer 268 - Wilmslow, Macclesfield & Congleton

Map (See page 2 of PDF for route description)



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Route Details

The longer route takes you through the tranquil Cheshire farmland and along a pleasant stretch of the Macclesfield Canal.

The shorter DEFRA conservation walk takes you through the attractive rural landscape surrounding the Hall.

Both walks begin at Little Moreton Hall car park.

Parking: In lay-by near Little Moreton Hall, off A34. Parking at the Hall itself is only available to those paying to visit the property (National Trust members free).

Route Directions

LONGER WALK:

1. Turn left out of the National Trust car park and proceed along the drive towards the Hall. Follow the public footpath sign for the South Cheshire Way, passing through a field gate with the Hall on your left.
2. Pass through a kissing gate and continue along the field edge past Little Moreton Hall Farm.
3. Pass through another kissing gate, cross the farm track and pass through another kissing gate, then continue diagonally right across the field towards the next stile.
4. Cross stile and continue along the edge of the field (alternative route – DEFRA conservation walk - begins from this point.)
5. Cross stile and continue with hedgerow to your left.



6. Continue along farm track.
7. Take public right of way sign to your left, cross stile and continue straight across the field.
8. Cross stile and bear diagonally across the field.
9. Cross stile.
10. Cross stream and cross stile, then continue diagonally right across the field.
11. Cross stile and turn right along New Road.
12. Take turning to your left across the field onto the Macclesfield Canal towpath and turn right.
13. Pass under canal bridge and continue along towpath.
14. Pass under a second bridge and turn right through a kissing gate, waymarked for South Cheshire Way. Pass through another kissing gate and turn left back along the farm track, retracing your steps back to the Hall.

DEFRA CONSERVATION WALK:

15. After crossing the stile at point 4 above, bear right around the edge of a small copse and pond.
16. Pass through kissing gate and continue straight across the field.
17. Pass through a bridle gate and descend 7 wood and earth steps and large gravel path. Pass through a kissing gate.
18. Pass through a bridle gate and cross a footbridge, then pass through another bridle gate and continue straight on across field with a raised bank to your left.
19. Pass through a kissing gate and bear right across the field.
20. Pass through 2 field gates with a footbridge in between them and bear right across the field.
21. Pass through a wooden field gate and turn left back towards the Hall drive.