2 Priors Haw

of 3

61/4 Miles

3 Hours

find a parking space in Woodnewton village, pub the 'White Swan', no pilets. Start from the junction of Main Street and Nassington Road.

Take the road towards Nassington, just past the next junction before the lerestriction signs turn left at the footpath sign through the hedge gap. Walk along he left hand field edge; turn left through a hedge gap and immediate right to again direction with the hedge now to the right. Continue over the crest of the hill and go through an unmarked narrow hedge gap; cut across a grassy field corner, nen keep direction along the field edge with the wood, Priors Haw to the left.

At the corner of the wood take what should be a well marked track within any rop across the field ahead, at right angles to the dyke and parallel with the wooden ance on the left. As the fence on the left ends and the hedge begins, turn left to ne stile between and step over, (it is normally easier around the field edge to the left); bear right then get back to the original direction with the hedge on the left. pproaching the hedge at the other end of the field bear right at the marker post to ne narrow gate and out on to the road and turn left.

After 300yds turn right at the signpost on the bridleway towards Apethorpe. As his track swings sharp right away from the edge of the wood, turn left past a rusty ad gate and walk down the right hand edge of the left hand field. Bear right and bep direction past the farm buildings and the farmhouse; continue on the stony the lined track and keep going through the wood and along the edge of the narrow of trees. The bridleway leads eventually past a metal gate to a road, turn right.

Walk into Apethorpe village and follow the road round to the 'King's Head' pub.

Jun left on the bridleway between the pub and the water tower. At the crossroads

i the top of the slope turn left and keep on this tarmac estate road for three

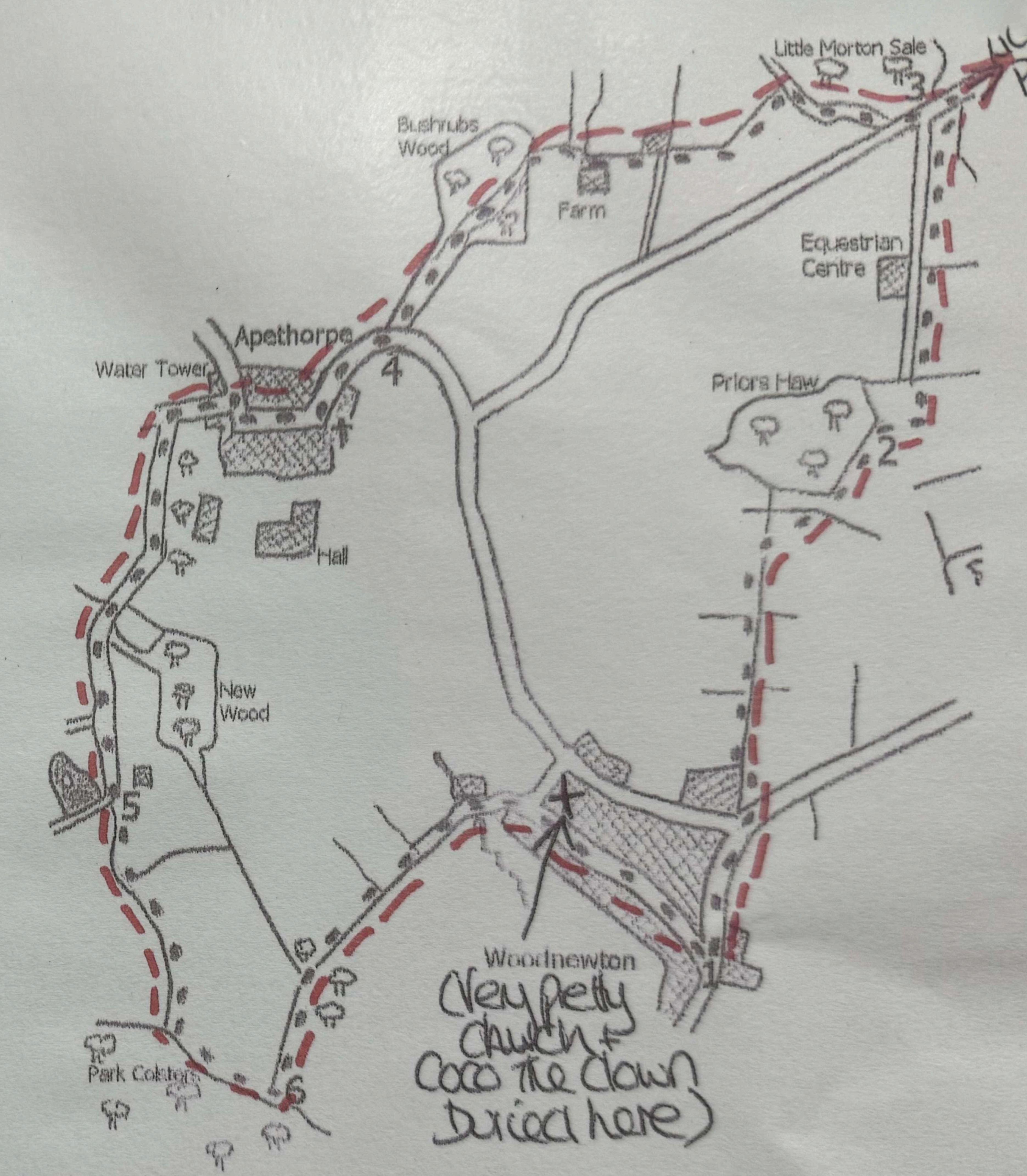
parters of a mile, past a diversion sign to the corner by Apethorpe Grange.

Descend the slope and turn left, follow this right hand field edge, bearing left to junction of paths by the substantial footbridge.

From left uphill, with the hedge to the left and carry on along the track between hedge and the trees; bear right and keep direction on the right hand field edges.

Induce on the hedged track, across the bridge over Willow Brook and up the track head into Woodnewton. Turn right at the church along Main Street into the ilage to find your vehicle.

ADDON 40 mins if slowling + finishing at the hay fad



Apethorpe Hall has been the subject of some debate in recent years. Until 1982 it was in use as an Approved School; the following year it was sold to a Libyan businessman who let the property go to rack and ruin. In 2002 it was controversially bought by English Heritage under a compulsory purchase order and is now being restored. Now known as Apethorpe Palace, it was sold back into private ownership in 2014, but has regular opening times for the public to visit.