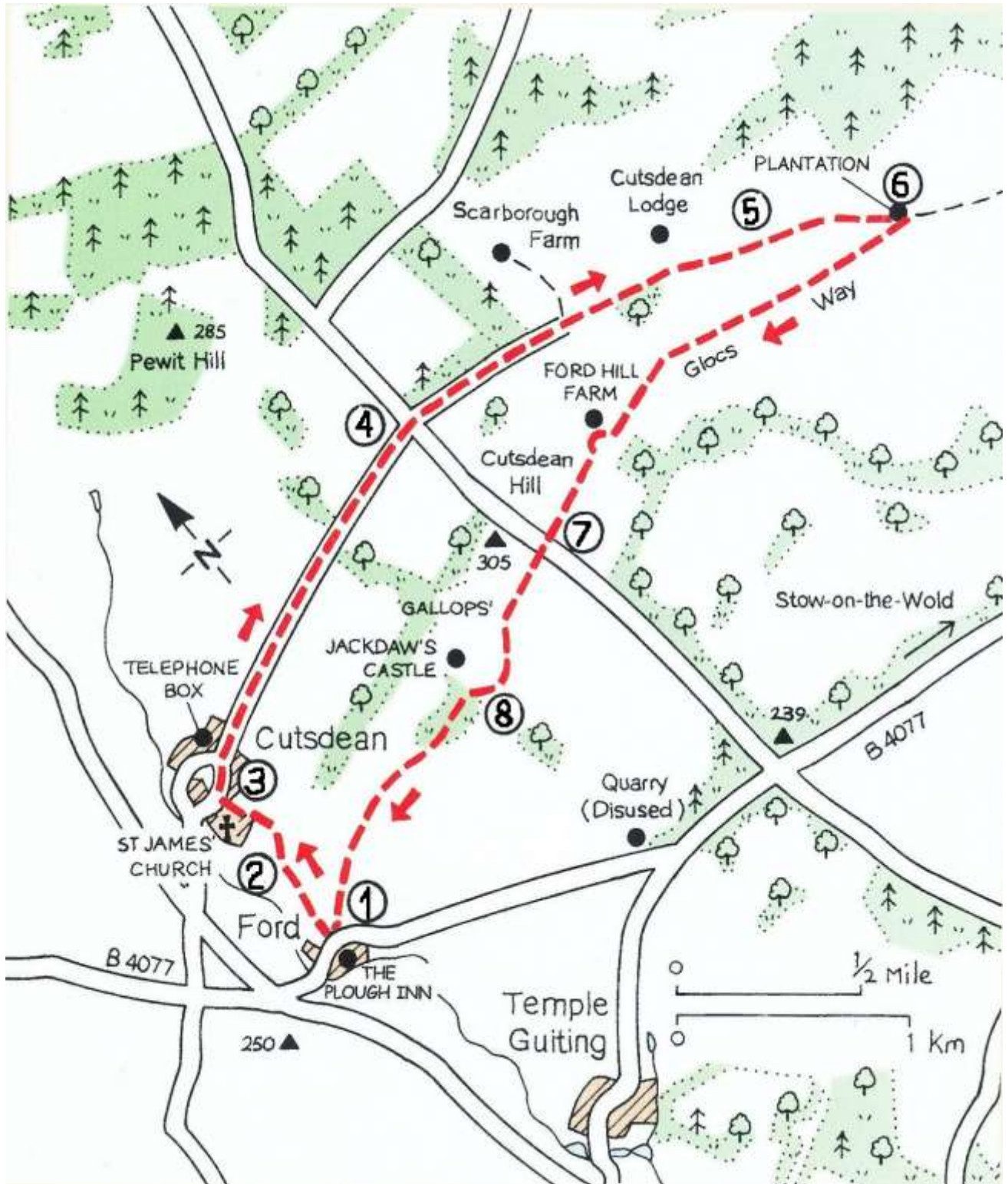


# FORD - CUTSDEAN PASSING JACKDAWS CASTLE WALK



1. Walk down the hill, turning off right just before the river at the entrance of a drive.
2. Turn half right along the field, crossing the head of a muddy stream to gain the left corner. Over a stile, follow the field edge left, eventually passing the church to emerge in Cutsdean. The lane along which the walk began lies to the right.
3. Follow the uphill lane that heads east from the village of Cutsdean for just over a mile (1.6km), to a crossroads.
4. Continue along the lane opposite, ignoring after 0.5 mile (800m) the turning off left to Scarborough Farm. Later rising beyond a dip, the track eventually emerges from woodland into some open ground.
5. Keep ahead past a waymark to a latera boundary a little further on and go through the right-hand one of the two openings before you. Continue at the field edge with a wall on your left for some 500yds (457m) to a waypost and then bear right across the field towards a plantation.
6. Pass through the trees, then as you emerge on the far side, double back sharp right on a track beside them. Carry on for a mile (1.6km) to Ford Hill Farm, leaving past the farmhouse along its drive to meet a road.
7. Opposite, the imposing gateway to Jackdaw's Castle heralds a long metalled drive beside 'The Gallops'.
8. Shortly after dropping past the stables, half hidden behind a banking over to the right, look for a waymark and sign directing you right across the training track. If the horses are running, heed well the warning notice. Continue downhill on the far drive, emerging at its end on to a road in front of The Plough Inn at Ford.

DISTANCE/TIME	5.75 miles (9.3 km) 21145
MAP OS	OS Explorer 01.45 The Cotswolds
START	From the cottage walk down the road, cross the road at the entrance to the carpark.
TRACKS	Tracks, fields and lane, 5 stiles
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