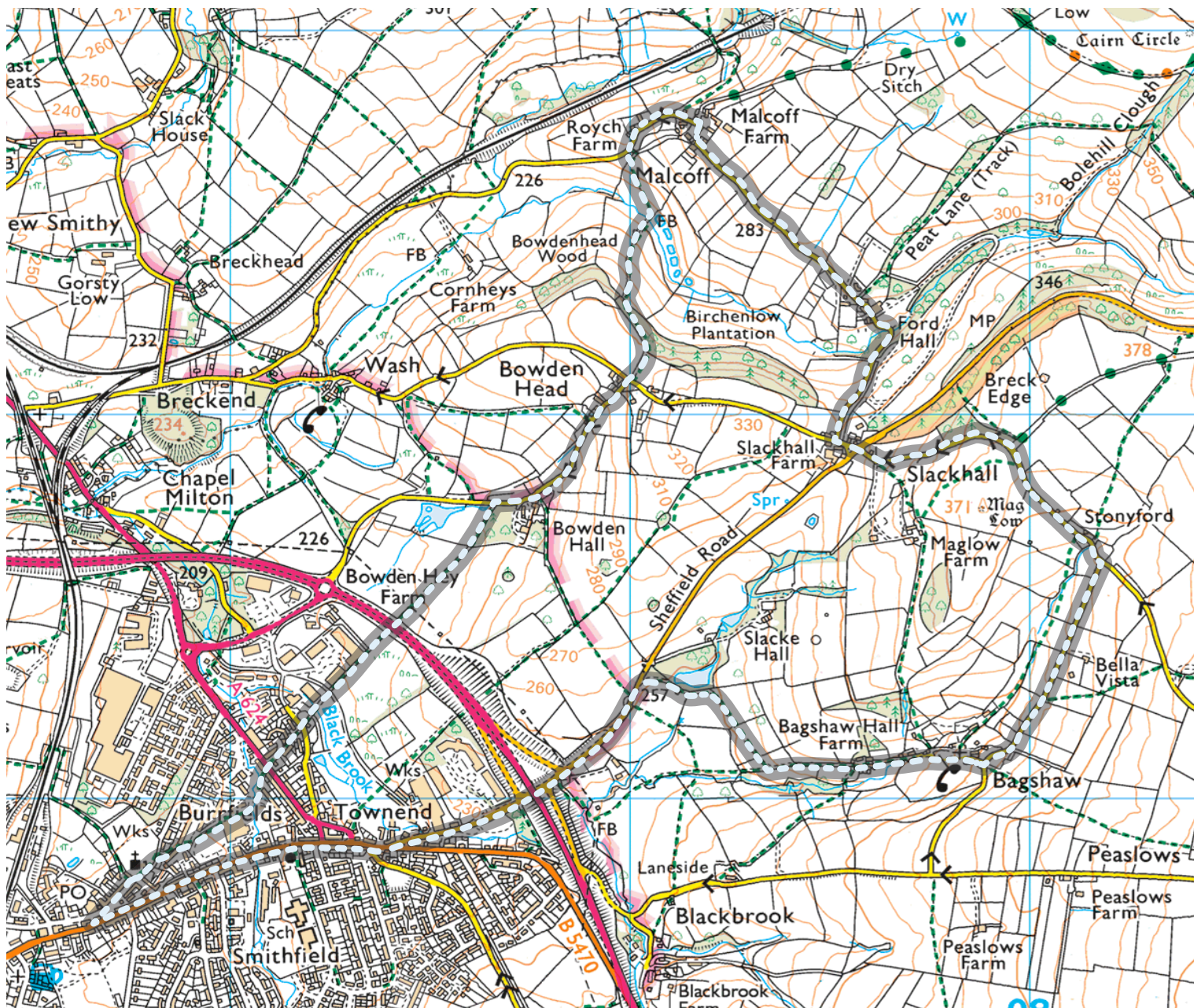


F The Five Halls Walk

Distance: **5 miles. 2 hours.**

Terrain: Paths, roads and bridleways.
940 ft ascent.

Parking: Town centre and Thornbrook Road.



Halls of the old 'Squires' of the area and lovely views of pretty hamlets.

From **Market Place** head alongside **St Thomas Becket Church**. At end of railings turn right on downhill path to houses. Turn left then right to continue downhill. Stay on footpath, crossing brook right at first bridge then cross Hayfield Road into The Crescent. Walk ahead on footpath crossing Bowden Lane, stile and **Peak Forest Tramway**. **!!! Cross bypass with care !!!** Continue ahead to Bowden Lane. Turn right to **Bowden Hall** on right.

Walk up hill on road to Bowden Head. Right of T junction, go through gate onto footpath, with wall on your left to Bowden Wood. Take path through wood to cross stile.

Go downhill with fence on your right, cross bridge over stream, take track up hill and turn left through corner gate. Turn right along road to **Malcoff**, then onto Ford and **Ford Hall**.

Follow road over stream and hill to Slack. Turn left at top to **Slack Hall**. Cross main road and head uphill, after ½ mile turn right on road to Mag Low (prehistoric tumulus) and along lane to Stoneyford. Turn right at junction and head downhill to Bagshaw. As road bears left turn right downhill past Methodist Chapel, and on to **Bagshaw Hall**.

Continue ahead on track, through gate. Follow path right then left, with wall on right, to Sheffield Road. The house on right is **New Slack Hall**. Turn left downhill on Sheffield Road, turn right at T junction and uphill back to town centre.