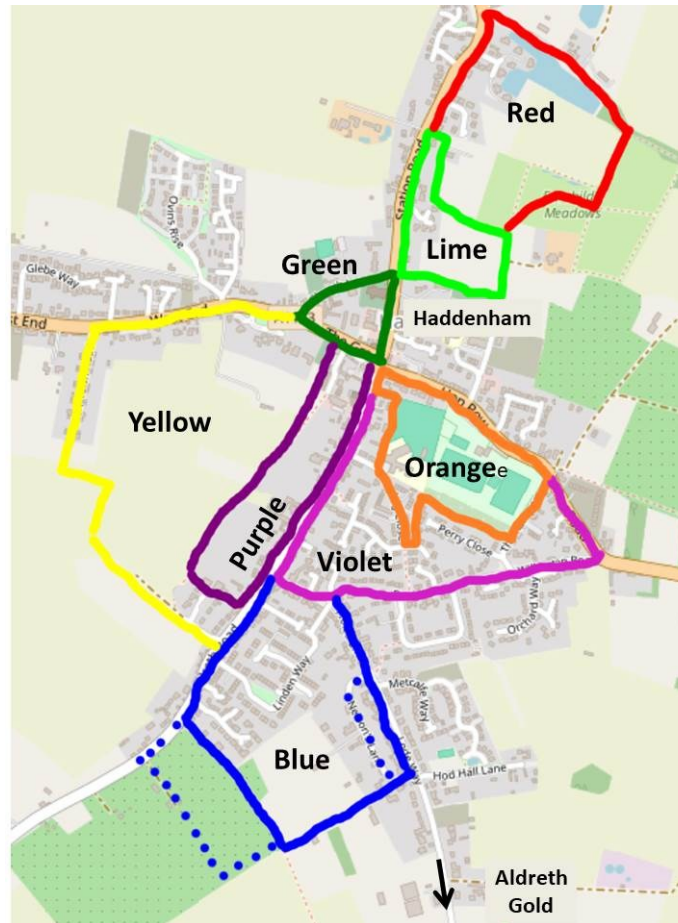


Important for farming

1. **The Causeway** – ancient route between Cambridge and Ely, once one of only three ways onto the Isle of Ely.
2. **Primrose House and Aldreth Farm** – Substantial farmhouses from which the Chivers family managed their fruit and jam business.
3. **The Three Tuns Inn** – An alehouse since at least 1792 until 1930, now a generous family home.
4. **Aldreth School** – Built in 1877 and closed in 1944.
5. **De Freville's Farm** – Jacobean revival style farmhouse with Flemish gables 1857.
6. **Aldreth Village Centre** – Perpendicular revival style Baptist Chapel opened in 1908, funded by Chivers and local subscriptions.
7. **Stocking Lane** – possibly named after where livestock were held, now a rural green country walk.

Other available routes



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Aldreth Metal sign

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While still in the parish of Haddenham, Aldreth has its own, quieter character, a finger of land on the southwest of the old Isle of Ely, only slightly higher than the fen.

Starting at the car park at the southern end of the village this walk takes you up the High Street and back down, with the option of a ramble down Stocking Lane and back along the Cut.

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The name Aldreth was *Alreheðā* in the pipe rolls of 1170, which meant “landing place by the alders”. The importance of this landing place, only one of three ways of accessing the Isle of Ely, should not be underestimated. Travel by water was the most effective method in the medieval period and Aldreth was then on the main route to Ely from Cambridge and beyond. The causeway (1) and associated channels can still be used to reach the River Great Ouse.

In this area significant farming activity was co-ordinated at major farmhouses such as Aldreth (2) and De Freville (5) Farms. The Three Tuns Inn (3) would have welcomed travellers, as would the other five pubs that used to exist. The population was big enough to support a school (4) and a Baptist Chapel (6), which are now a house and the village hall. The intensely rural aspect of Aldreth can be appreciated with a walk down Stocking Lane (7) through the greenery.

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