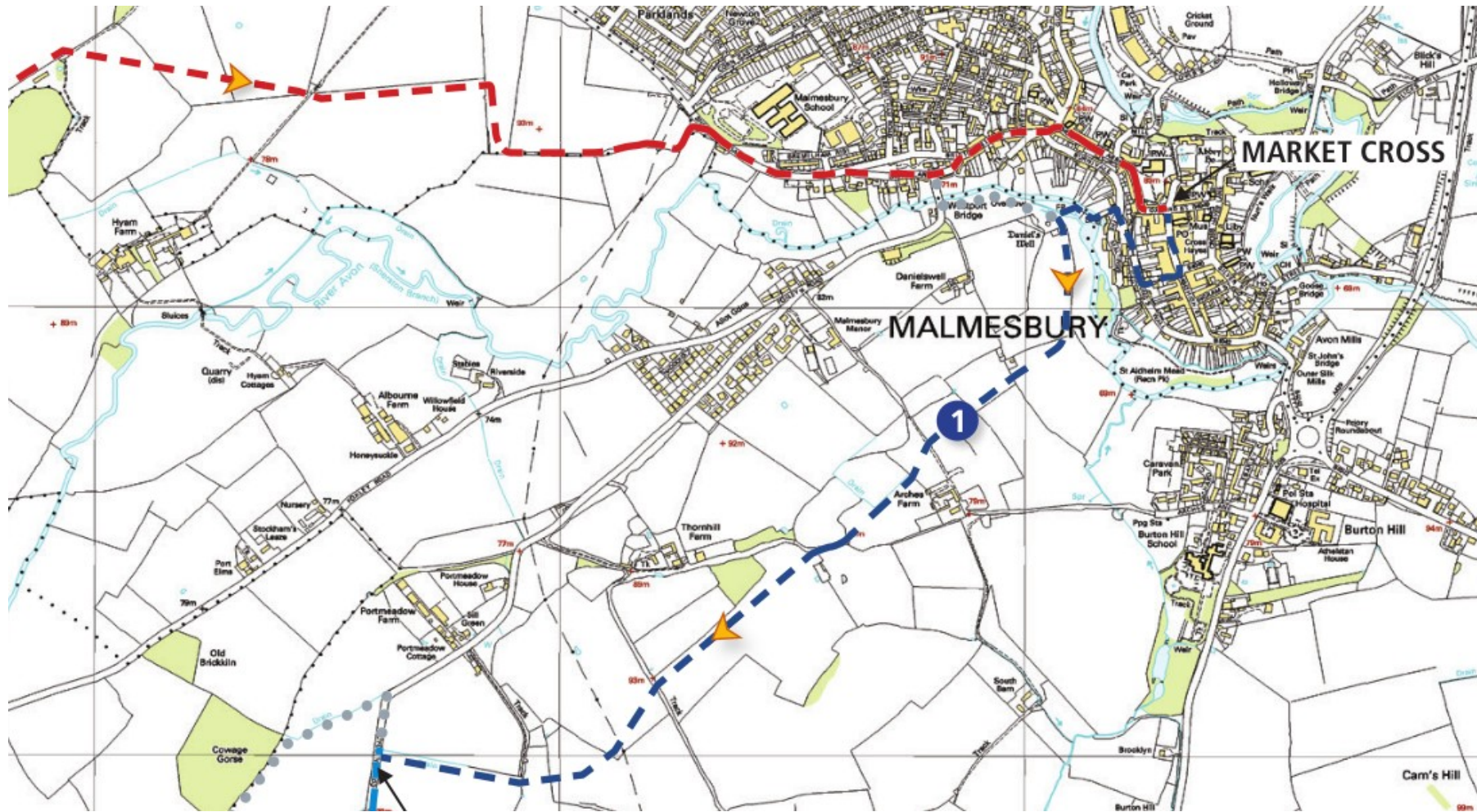




Stage 1 - Malmesbury to King's Heath



Directions:

From Malmesbury Market Cross, head West on Oxford Street. Go under the mirror and follow the path down. This was once the Postern Gate through the medieval fortifications of the town. As the path forks, take the right-hand path keep going down to Burnivale.

Turn Right and then Left, following the path by 59 Burnivale. Walking past the old mill race, cross the River Avon and a footbridge over the mill leat.

Start uphill and left into a field by some ruins (capped Daniel's Well). Follow the field boundary on the Left and through a gate the Right uphill, passing a ruined cottage on your Right to a stile.

Go over stile, continue uphill, slightly Left to another stile. Go straight on to a stile/field gate. Cross the track for Arches Farm, and then over stile. Bear slightly Left and over the stile level with farm buildings. On same line cross stile/gate then narrow stile. Go through small gate ahead onto the bridleway.

Shortly, turn Left through first field gate, down length of field to a stile at the far end. Cross bridleway and into next field.

Cross field to a stile, slightly Right. Cross small extension of field and bridleway. Follow hedge on Right to reach Common Road (check for traffic!). Turn Left to reach the bridleway over King's Heath (on the Right).