

Afrikaya Sponsored Walk – Information Sheet

Sunday 17 May 2026

Children and dogs (on leads) welcome

Event Overview

Join us for our annual Afrikaya Sponsored Walk through the beautiful Pewsey Vale countryside. Enjoy a friendly, relaxed day out while helping raise funds for Afrikaya.

When, Where & How Long

- Date: Sunday 17 May 2026
- Start & Finish: Wilcot Village Hall, Wilcot, Near Pewsey, Wiltshire, SN9 5NN
- Registration: Arrive from 10:00 for a 10:30 start
- A later start is available for those taking the shorter, less strenuous route
- Distance: Approx. 12 km (7.5 miles)
- Estimated Duration: 3–4 hours at a comfortable, talking pace

How to Register

- Please register in advance if possible.

Email: afrikayathecharity@gmail.com

- There is no registration fee, but walkers are expected to raise sponsorship or make a personal donation in lieu of sponsorship.

Suggested donation: £10 adults, £5 under-17s, £2 age 6-12, (under-6s free)

Ways to Donate

1. PayPal: <http://paypal.com/gb/fundraiser/charity/3202564>

(Please tick the box allowing your details to be shared with the charity, or we won't know it's you.)

2. JustGiving: <https://www.justgiving.com/afrikayacharity>

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3. Bank Transfer: Account Name: Afrikaya; Sort Code: 08-92-99; Account Number: 65249084

Raising Sponsorship

- We can provide a paper sponsorship form, or
- You can set up your own fundraising page at:

<https://www.justgiving.com/afrikayacharity>

What to Expect on the Walk

- A multi-terrain route: mainly footpaths and farm tracks, with some road walking around Wilcot, West Stowell and Huish.

With thanks to the Rothschild Estate for permission to cross their land.

- Some uphill sections (medium to hard difficulty) leading up to the Pewsey Downs.
- An alternative, easier route is available (see below).
- Children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult (maximum 4 children per adult).
- Dogs on leads are welcome. Please keep them under strict control, especially near livestock, and always pick up after them.

Dog waste can transmit parasites that cause serious illness, including death in sheep and abortion in cattle.

- Please take all litter home.
- A map and emergency contact numbers will be provided at registration.

Need a Lift to the Shorter Route?

If you prefer to avoid the steep climb to the Downs, a car will leave Wilcot Village Hall at 11:30 to drop walkers at a higher starting point.

Please register online and let us know in advance so we can plan transport.

Health & Safety During the Walk

- Dress appropriately for the weather. It can be cold and windy on the Downs; a hat is advisable in windy conditions.
- Walking boots are recommended; trainers are acceptable if the ground is dry.
- Bring plenty of water – there are no refill points on the route.
- A marshal will be stationed at the Wilcot bridge at the start for road safety.
- Take care on all public roads.

At the Finish

- Please check back in at Wilcot Village Hall so we know you have returned safely.
- Our “end sweepers” will leave at 12:00, collecting signs and litter.
- If they catch up with you, please give them your names and confirm you are happy to continue without support.
- Refreshments, drinks, cake and—by popular demand—Afrikaya curries will be available at reasonable prices in the Village Hall.

If You Have an Accident or Become Unwell

- Please download the What3Words app before the event.
- In an emergency, call or WhatsApp:
- Geoff: 07885 201972
- Sanjeen: 07470 432957
- Provide the three words shown on What3Words.
- If signal is poor, text the three words—they should still receive it.
- When registering, please inform us of any relevant medical conditions or vulnerabilities.

This is an Afrikaya fundraising event

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