

Islington U3A Longer Walks Group

Walk Title	Church Stretton - Longmynd House	Walk No.	569
Area	Shropshire	Type	
Date	Friday 22 nd May until Monday 25 th May 2026		
Distance	Usual format. We will select walks when we are there. Could include two full day walks of about 11miles (18 km) on Saturday and Sunday, but shorter walks on these days can be selected instead (if Walk Leaders available). Half day walks on Friday and Wednesday (of about 6 miles).		
Costs	Cost will be approx £244.50 per person for the full board hf Holiday (group rate) and I'd expect about £70 max for train travel to/ from (depending on when you book train ticket).		
Meeting up & travel	<p>A return to Church Stretton – we last visited in September 2024.</p> <p>For those travelling with the Group, meet at the ticket hall (back left hand corner) at Euston station by 9:40am. Outward journey will be (Friday 22nd May) on the Avanti West Coast 10.02 train, one change at Crewe, arrives just after 1:00pm at Church Stretton. Travel time 3hr 00min. We can the drop our luggage of at hf (we won't get access to the rooms, but hopefully can use their general toilets) & then we'll do a short afternoon walk.</p> <p>Return would be Monday 25th May, leaving Church Stretton at 2:25pm, arriving Euston at 5:37pm. One change at Crewe. Travel time 3hr 00min. We need to check out by 10.00 but we can leave our luggage and do a Monday morning walk.</p> <p>Get you own ticket (Group rate higher than Senior railcard version). An off peak return (with railcard): £65.45 (or £45.90).</p> <p>Church Stretton station is less than a mile from Longmynd House. However the house is at the top of a very steep hill (it has great views!) so you might want to get a taxi yourselves, particularly if you have heavy luggage (these will not be booked as a group).</p>		
Route	Will depend on the walks selected. As there are 31 of us going we may select to split and do more than one walk type per day. Some may want to do a shorter walk, others might elect for a longer walk. We expect to have at least 2 walk leaders in the group.		
Lunch	A picnic lunch is provided by hf Holidays on Saturday & Sunday.		
Dropping out	Not relevant		
Suitability	<p>Suitable for any reasonably fit regular walker. There are no particular difficulties.</p> <p>Terrain: quite a hilly area with some steep up's.</p> <p>Comfortable waterproof walking shoes/ boots. Check weather forecast for temperature and likelihood of rain.</p>		
Facilities / Accommodation	<p>The room selection will be as you booked in due course.</p> <p>Check in on Friday is from 4.00pm onwards. So on our arrival don't expect to get into your room.</p>		

	Check out is at 10.00am for all guests (but we can leave our luggage there while we have a morning walk on Monday).
Walk source	Will be selected from hf's 'Discovery Room' & Quentin's selection.
Map & other references	OS Explorer: 217 Links: hf Holidays - HERE
Leader & contact details	<u>Walk Leader</u> : Derek Harwood <u>Phone</u> : 077 5931 4096 <u>e-mail</u> : derek.harwood@live.co.uk