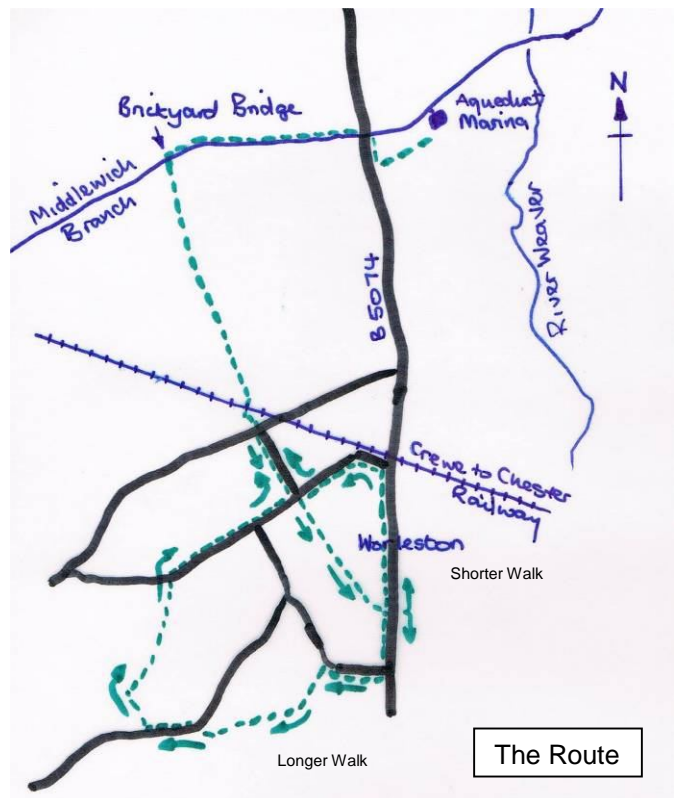


A Walk from Aqueduct Marina to Five or six and a half miles



A short walk from the marina to Worleston, where there is a shop and a pub, that can be extended if you wish with an alternative, longer route back to the marina described at the end.

Starting from Aqueduct Marina, walk down the drive and turn right towards the canal. Cross the canal, descend the steps to the towpath and turn right so that the canal is on your left and walk towards Minshull Lock.



Pass Minshull Lock and continue on, under Jackson's Bridge (7) to the high level black and white bridge, Brickyard Bridge. Climb the steps on the far side of the bridge and cross the stile. Cross back over the adjacent stile and walk across Brickyard Bridge. Follow the footpath south alongside the hedge towards Aston Hall. The path crosses several stiles and continues along a green lane with hedges both sides.

Just before the Aston Hall farmyard and immediately before crossing the railway, cross the stile on your left so that you cross the railway bridge the other side of the fence. After crossing the railway, follow the path round to the left and along a track to the junction with the lane.

Go straight on and stay on the lane until you reach the T junction at the end. Take the footpath slightly to your left that goes straight on. It follows the edge of the field with the hedge on your left. You cross a stile by a gateway from which you can see Worleston Grange. Keep the hedge on your left and continue straight on. Climb a stile in the corner of the field and cross into woods. When we walked this route in July 2010 the woods were quite overgrown, but the path is still visible and walkable. Cross another stile and continue along the path until, at the next stile, you emerge onto a driveway. Turn left and walk down the drive to the road. This is the B5074 through Worleston. From here, turn left to reach the pub and shop in the village.



Railway bridge at Aston Hall



Worleston Grange

Shorter Walk

Starting from where the footpath emerges onto the main B5074 road, turn left and walk along until you reach the first lane on your left. Turn down this lane and walk to the next junction, just before Aston Hall. Turn right up the driveway opposite the lane to the left and retrace your steps back to Aqueduct Marina, crossing the railway, walking back along the green lane and following the

footpath to Brickyard Bridge. Cross the bridge, descend the steps to the canal, turn left and walk back along the towpath, past Minshull Lock.

Longer Walk

When you reach the main B5074 road, turn right and walk to the next road junction. Turn right and walk along the lane until the lane bears sharp right. Continue straight on along the edge of the field with the fence on your left. At the end of the field you reach a road. Cross the stile onto the road and turn right. Immediately after you pass Poole Old Hall on your right, cross the stile on your right and follow the path along the edge of the field with the hedge on your right.



Path through woods

At the far side of the field you join the Crewe and Nantwich Circular Walk path at a track by a gateway. Follow the circular walk path through the gateway on your right and bear right to cross the stream on a footbridge. Climb the bank at the other side and follow the path ahead across the field. At the other side of the field the path crosses a stile and bridge into the lane opposite a house in the far left hand corner of the field. Turn right in the lane and follow the lane until you reach the junction with a lane on your left (the first junction is with a lane on your right). Turn left at this junction and retrace your steps to Aston Hall. Go straight on down the track opposite at the T junction and follow the path back to the canal at Brickyard Bridge. Cross the bridge, descend the steps to the towpath, turn left and walk back to the marina past Minshull Lock with the canal on your right.