

Dereham Walkers are Welcome

29 August 2017

Walking on Waters

25 walkers took advantage of the fine Bank Holiday weather to join *Dereham Walkers are Welcome's* latest walk - a 7 mile stroll from Dereham to Yaxham. We started in Yaxham, catching the Konect bus into Dereham for the walk proper. Our route was out along the Neatherd and through Little Neatherd to reach the Windmill. After crossing the A47, we followed the tracks across the Tud Valley and Badley Moor, to turn south and enter Yaxham across Mouse's Bridge and on to Cutthroat Lane. More paths across the fields took us into Clint Green and on to Yaxham Mill, with the final stage past the church and back to Yaxham Waters. The party was expected and enjoyed the refreshments there on offer - but not before a group photo posing with our new banner.

Our next walk, on Sunday 1 October, will be shorter, just 5 miles, and will end - also with refreshments - at a Garden Party in Dereham. October has been designated the month for Norfolk County Council's Cycling and Walking Festival, so we have a further walk planned for Wednesday 25 October. Details are being finalised, but will provide a ride out on the Mid-Norfolk Railway, and a pleasant rural walk back into Dereham.

Further details of both of these are available from Ken Hawkins at dtc.fpwarden@talktalk.net or on 07505 426750. Further information about Dereham Walkers are Welcome (and updates on the walks) are on our website http://www.DerehamWaW.org.uk.

NOTES to editor

Walkers are Welcome (<u>http://www.walkersarewelcome.org.uk/</u>) aims to encourage and support towns and villages to

- be attractive destinations for walkers with top quality information on local walks
- offer local people and visitors excellent walking opportunities within their areas
- ensure that footpaths and facilities for walkers are maintained, improved and well signposted
- contribute to local tourism plans and regeneration strategies
- promote the health benefits of walking and increase participation
- encourage the use of public transport

Photos attached:



Catching the bus



Approaching Little Neatherd



Journey's end - the new banner



Across the Neatherd



In the Tud Valley