



The numbers on this map show the starting point for each walk

PLEASE

- Leave gates as you find them
- Keep your dog under close control
- Take extra care in fields of cows and calves
- Keep to the waymarked paths
- Take your litter home
- Try to use public transport
- Wear suitable footwear and clothing



Drayton Walks

A series of 10 short walks in the Market Drayton area compiled by Andrew D. Boden

Walk 3

Tern Fisheries & the Canal Basin (1¼ miles - 2 km)

The walk is described in sufficient detail to follow it successfully just by using this sheet. However, you are encouraged to use the Ordnance Survey® Explorer™ 1:25 000 map no. 243 - Market Drayton, Loggerheads & Eccleshall - where the route can be seen in the context of the surrounding countryside.

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Walk 3

This is the first of the walks which includes a stretch of the Shropshire Union Canal. It passes through the busy canal basin near to the town centre. (1¼ miles - 2 km)

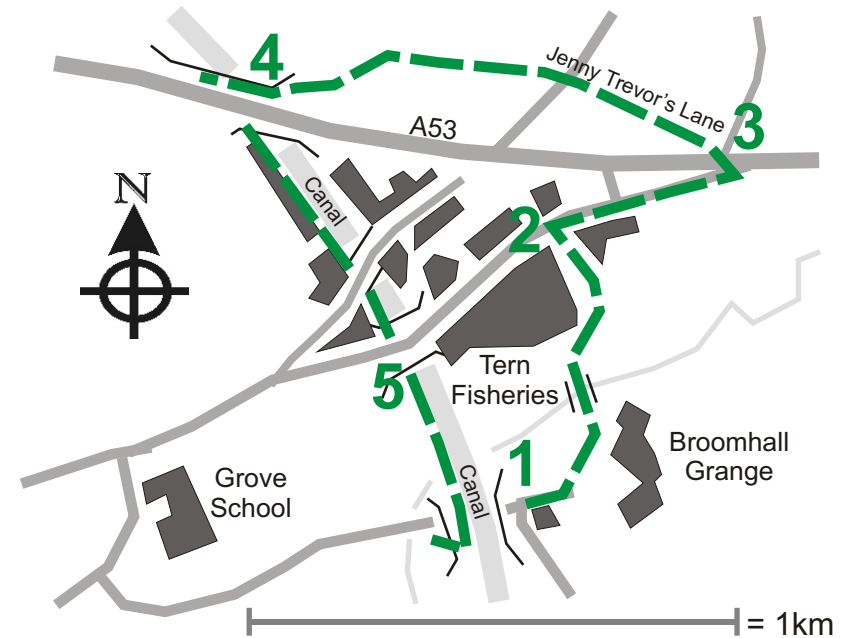


1. SJ 6853 3430

As for Walk 1, start at the drive to Broomhall Grange, just past the canal aqueduct on the Peatswood Road. Here a footpath sign with a fish on it points towards Tern Fisheries. Walk along the driveway and when it divides, take the left fork down the slope towards the fish farm. Cross the stone bridge over the river Tern and continue to follow the track as it leads right, then left and upbank to meet the main road eastwards out of Market Drayton.

2. SJ 6860 3475

For a shortened stroll you can turn left along the road here to join the canal towpath at point 5 - bridge 62, just past the Talbot Inn. However, to continue the full walk, turn right at the road and walk to the junction with the main A53. Continue on the right until you are opposite the entrance to Tunstall Hall on the other side of the A53. Cross with extreme care.



3. SJ 6887 3485

Immediately to the left of the entrance to Tunstall Hall is a footpath called Jenny Trevor's Lane; this is named after a young lady who committed suicide nearby. Follow the track between hedges until it meets Betton Lane. Cross and continue between hedges to a stile into the corner of a field. Follow the right-hand field boundary to another stile which leads into a small thicket; the path then emerges onto the A53 on the west side of the canal bridge.

4. SJ 6813 3496

Cross the bridge (no. 64) then go down the steps to the canal towpath. Turn right under the bridge and follow the path under the next bridge (no. 63) by the old mill building, past the canal basin to the Newcastle Road bridge (no. 62).

5. SJ 6836 3457

Continue along the towpath - past the school playing field, then beware of the steep slopes on the right-hand side - until you reach the aqueduct over Peatswood Road. Go down the 39 steps at the far side of the aqueduct and turn right under the canal to return to the starting point.