## The Route:

- 1. (719 295) Turn left out of the car park and go straight ahead into a narrow lane between the houses (Hell Lane). Go through a gate then keep ahead in a straight line with the hedge on the right. Go over a stile, and head diagonally left to a stile heading towards a tree at 10 o clock.
- 2. (716 290) Turn right along Westcott Lane. Follow the road for 500m and cross Halleman's Bridge (No 53) over the Shropshire Union Canal. Follow the road round to the right.
- 3. (712 287) As the road turns sharp left, turn immediately right along a concrete lane. Follow the road round to the left. As the road ends, do not go over the bridge (No 54) but go ahead through trees then follow the canal tow path left to the next bridge, No 55.
- 4. (705 294) At bridge No 55 leave the canal and turn right along the road crossing back over the canal. The Wharf Public House is on the left.
- 5. (710 297) On reaching a T junction turn left. This road can be busy. Continue for approx 250m and take a right turn at a way-marker into the field. Go straight ahead, across the field, on reaching the wood at the edge of the field go ahead to cross a stile until you reach another stile which exits the wooded area, turn right walking along the edge of the field.
- 6. When you come to the farm track (approx 300m) turn right, after 40m turn left and walk up the field with fence on your left, passing through a hedge and continue through to the next field. At the end of the hedge turn right heading towards Haywood Drumble wood.
- 7. (707 308) Go through a gate and walk through the Drumble. Go over another stile to exit the wooded

- area and head diagonally slight left across to the gap in hedge and gate. Turn right here and head to a stile in the corner of the field, staying on the fringe of the Drumble where there are a number of ponds. Carry on straight ahead into a field.
- 8. (711 307) Go over a stile, keeping the hedge on the right, to the next stile (approx 50m) and enter Lawn Drumble. This area is covered in bluebells and wild garlic in May. Walk through the woods, crossing a bridge and stile at the end. Carry on diagonally across the field to the corner of the next wooded area.
- 9. (716 303) Carry straight on and the path runs into Lawn Lane. The lane joins the main road at St Swithun's Church, At the church turn left, go down the hill. Go past the Red Lion on the right and walk through the village turning right into Podmore Rd. The Parish Hall is on the left.

We hope you enjoy the walk. May we remind you to follow the country code: Close gates after use. Take your litter home. Keep dogs on leads near livestock.

## **CHESWARDINE**

Cheswardine is located about 5 miles from Market Drayton. The Parish Church, dedicated to St. Swithun, overlooks Cheswardine Parish from the hill at the top of the village.

Cheswardine boasts 2 pubs: The Red Lion and The Fox and Hounds, and a third, The Wharf is located on the canal. There is also a community shop located within the Parish Hall, next to the car park, playing field and playground.

Cheswardine Parish Council on behalf of its Parishioners



Cheswardine Walking Group (2023)

## **CHESWARDINE WALKS: 1**

Cheswardine - The Wharf - Haywood Farm - Cheswardine



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A circular walk of approx 4 miles (7 km), starting and finishing at Cheswardine Parish Hall, across fields, and country lanes, along the canal and through woods. Some road walking is involved - be aware of traffic. You may also encounter livestock on this country walk.

Time: Approx 1.5 to 2hours
Fitness level: easy to moderate
Explorer Map: Market Drayton 243 (grid
references marked in the route details)

All 6 Cheswardine walks can be downloaded from www.cheswardineparishcouncil.org.uk

For further information and to find walks in Shropshire: www.shropshirewalking.co.uk