

## Route 1a: Village Stroll - 1 mile/1.6 km

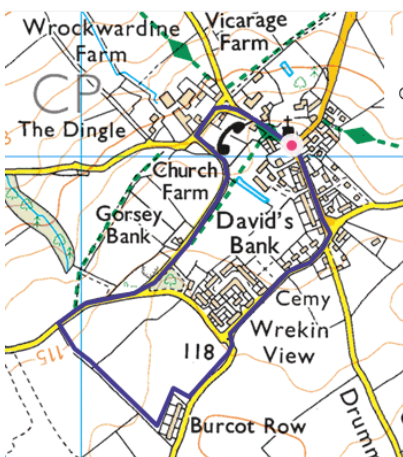
Lanes and fields, no stiles.

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2. Turn left back towards Wrockwardine, pass the first lane on L and continue straight on to the next junction. Bear left following the edge of the village past the cemetery and keeping left back around to the church.



**Route 1a:**  
**Village**  
**Stroll**



**Route 1b:**  
**Burcot**  
**Row**

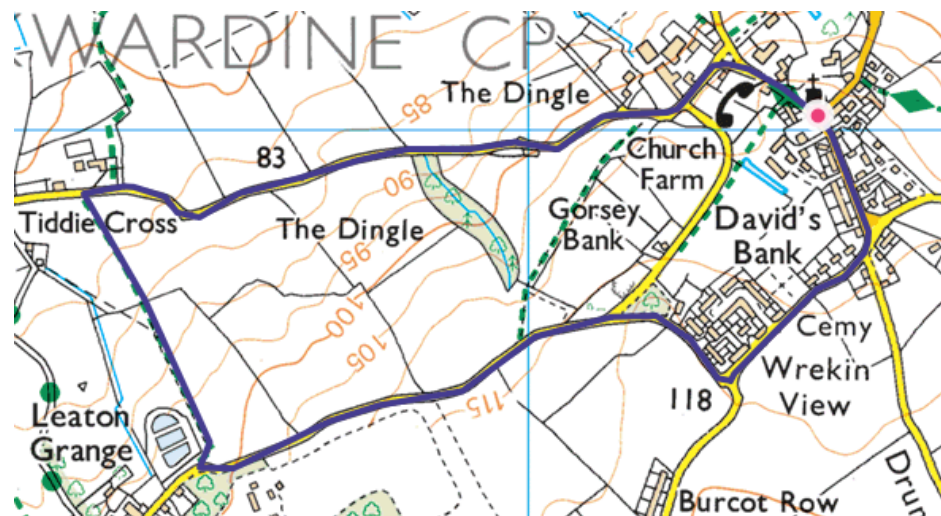
## Route 1b: Burcot Row - 1.25 miles/2 km

Lanes and fields, no stiles.

(Note: the path in 2<sup>nd</sup> field can occasionally become overgrown)

1. Start from the church, going slightly downhill towards the War Memorial and take the lane to the left past Wrockwardine Farm. Turn L into the next lane passing Gorsey Bank Farm. At the junction turn right past (\*A) and follow the lane for about another 50 yards (45 m), then turn left through a kissing gate marked 'Permissive Footpath – Closed on Christmas Day'. Go straight up the field keeping the hedge on your right, then through another kissing gate.

2. Keep straight on again with the hedge on your right to a row of terraced houses. Turn left along the back of the houses and follow them round to a lane. Turn left towards Wrockwardine. Follow the road past the cemetery and left again back around to the church.



## Route 2: Tiddie Cross - 2 miles/3.25km

Lanes and fields, no stiles.

1. Start from the church, going slightly downhill towards the War Memorial and take the lane to the left past Wrockwardine Farm. Continue straight on past a lane on the left. Continue along this (Tiddiecross) Lane for about 0.6 mile (1 km).

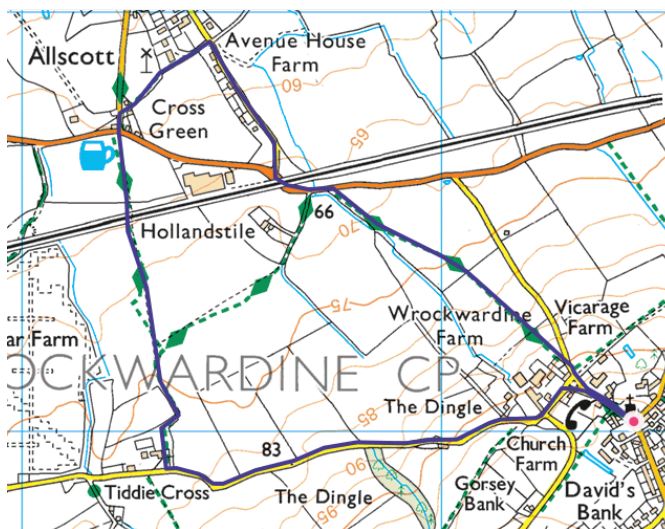
2. Just before reaching Tiddie Cross House (\*B), turn into a field on your left and cross the field. After 200 yards (175 m) the path will cross through a hedge into another field. Turn right and follow the hedge for about 20 yards (18 m), then turn left and cross a wild area heading towards the left side of a grey metal fence. Keep straight on to a kissing gate onto Leaton lane, then turn left up the lane to Wrockwardine. At the next lane on the left continue straight on to the next junction and bear left following the edge of the village past the cemetery and back around to the church.

**Route 2: Tiddie Cross**

## Route 3: Allscott - 2.5 miles/4 km

Lanes and fields, some can be wet. 7 stiles

1. Start from the church, going slightly downhill towards the War Memorial and take the lane to the right of the Old Smithy, then shortly after, up a small bank on the left and cross a stile into a grass field.
2. Cross the field for about 100 yards (90 m) to a double stile into a large descending field. The path will take you directly to the far left corner of this field, to a gate out onto a busy road (beware of traffic!).
3. Turn left and follow the road under the railway bridge, then take the first lane on the right towards Allscott. After about 350 yards (320 m) (\*C) turn left up a short grass drive immediately before Redwood House.
4. Go through the gate into the field and follow the hedge on your right. As you approach some tall trees, pass through into the field on your right and follow the hedge now on your left to a gate into a private residence, and out through their driveway. On the road (\*D), turn left towards the Plough Inn and at the main road, cross straight over.
5. The path heads straight across the field, up a small bank to a stile, then over the railway line (beware of trains!) to another stile into the next field. Continue in the same direction across a larger field for about 400 yards (365 m) until you have a hedge on your right. Follow the hedge until you find a double stile over a small bridge into the next field.
6. Follow the edge of the field keeping the hedge on your left, then over a stile into narrow passage and over another stile onto a lane. Turn left and follow the lane back to the war memorial and up to the church. NB. Alternatively, turn R and follow the instructions in Walk 2 from (\*B).



### Route 3: Allscott



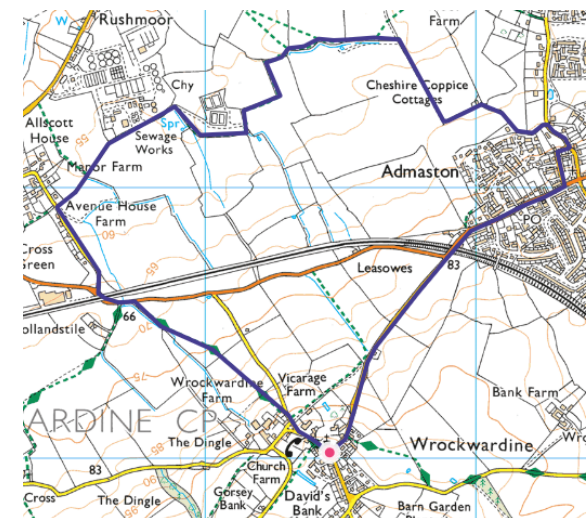
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## Route 4a: Admaston 3.5 miles/5.5 km

Roads, lanes and fields. 4 stiles

1. Follow walk 3 to (\*C). Turn right down a grassy lane, then straight on through a gate and pass the back of the Severn Trent Water Treatment Works.
2. Go through the next gate, then keep to the track to the right along the trees for about 330 yds (300m) to a field entrance in front to your left. Enter the field through the kissing gate and turn left. Follow the field perimeter, turning right, then left, straight past another open field entrance still keeping the hedge on your left, then right again before coming to a stile in the next corner. Cross the stile, then turn right and follow the hedge round past a gate to another stile into the next field. Follow the hedge on your right until you meet a rough track. (\*E)
3. Turn right and follow the track to Bratton Road. Turn right up the road then right into Elmsdale Crescent and up to Station Road in Admaston. Turn right and follow Station Road until you cross the bridge over the railway line. Bear left up Station Road, up the hill to Wrockwardine, and turn right to the church entrance.



### Route 4a: Admaston



## About Wellington WAW

**Regular Walks:** We meet at 2 pm on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month outside the Civic and Leisure Centre. We usually walk from there but occasionally will drive a short distance in shared cars. The walks last 1.5 to 2 hours. All are welcome. Please wear sturdy footwear and bring waterproofs.

**Walking Festival:** We run an annual Walking Festival in September each year. Programmes are available in the town and on-line from May onwards - see [www.wellingtonwalkersarewelcome.org.uk/Festival.html](http://www.wellingtonwalkersarewelcome.org.uk/Festival.html).

**Path Maintenance:** We have an active group which liaises with Telford and Wrekin Council to assist in making our local paths pleasant to walk.

**Aims & Objectives:** We aim to promote the interests of local walkers in Wellington, and to promote Wellington to walkers elsewhere.

## Getting to Wellington

**By Train:** Wellington Railway Station is in the centre of town. To reach the Market Square exit from Platform 2 (the Shrewsbury side), walk up Station Rd to Church St, turn L and the square is ahead of you.

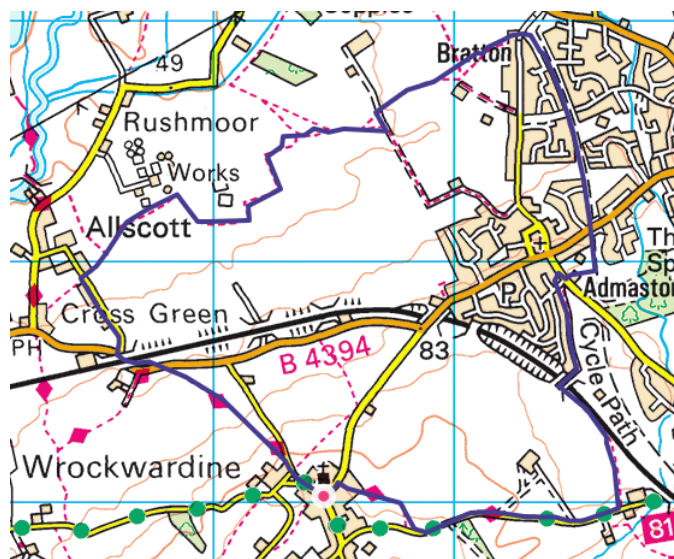
**By Road:** Wellington is just off the M54 motorway. There is free parking (but check the time restrictions) in several car parks in the town centre.

**By Cycle :** National Route 81, from Birmingham to Aberystwyth passes through Wellington.

**By Bus:** There are frequent buses to & from the bus station and from Shrewsbury and some outlying villages. From the bus station follow the alley to L of the Tin House Restaurant into New St., turn R to reach the square.

**On Foot:** The Shropshire Way passes through the outskirts of the town. The Silkin Way starts at Bratton, is used on some of the routes, and goes to Coalport via Telford Town Centre and Madeley.

## Refreshment Time in Admaston Community Orchard



## Route 4b: Bratton

## Route 4b: Bratton 4.75 miles/7.6 km

### Roads, lanes and fields. 15 stiles

1. Follow walk 4A to **(\*E)**. Turn left for 75 yards (70 m) to a 'Private Road' sign, then turn right over a stile and follow the path straight across a field to a stile in the hedge. Cross the stile and a short footbridge, then continue straight on following the edge of the field keeping the hedge to your left and crossing 3 more stiles, passing the back of Moor farm before reaching an alleyway between private properties leading out onto Bratton Road.

2. Cross the road and through a kissing gate into a small park then another kissing gate onto Dulwich Grange. Turn right, then bear left up the ramp onto the **Silkin Way**. Follow the path past the school on your left and under the road bridge. After another 75 yards (70 m), turn right up a flight of steps and cross the field to **Admaston House** Community Centre car park and out onto the road.

3. Turn right, then immediate left into Pemberton Road, then left up a rough track, Ringers Lane, alongside the playing fields. At the 4-way junction (NB. with the path to the **Community Orchard** ahead) turn right over the railway bridge. Follow the path to the left (**Wrekin Link**) alongside the railway line for about 300 yards (275 m). Cross a stile into a (horses) field. Keeping to the right, follow the edge of the field, over 2 stiles and up to Wrockwardine Road.

4. Turn right and follow the road uphill for about 0.6 mile (1 km). Towards the top of the bank, shortly after a driveway on your left, the road bends to the right with a large grassy area on the inside of the bend. Just past the end of this cross a stile on the right into a field. Follow the hedge on your left for about 100 yards (90 m) until you reach a stile on your left into another field. The path then goes at 45° to your right across the field to another stile into **Wrockwardine Village Hall** car park. Go through the car park and at the road, turn left, then right to the church entrance.

## Route 5: Longdon Aqueduct

Wrockwardine-Allscott - 2.5 miles/4 km  
Allscott-Longdon Aqueduct - 5.25 miles/8.5 km  
**Total distance - 7.75 miles/12.5 km**

**Roads, lanes and fields. 5 additional stiles (total 12 stiles)**

1. Follow route 3 to **(\*D)**. Turn R towards Allscott and Longdon keeping an eye out for traffic (no road edging here). Pass Back Lane on R and proceed round the next bend to **Allscott Mill**. Turn left into the driveway and follow this past the first entrance on the R and then keeping to the R past the B & B to cross the footbridge over the river.

2. Turn R and follow the path along the river bank until reaching a drainage channel where the path bends to the left. Follow the path through 2 sets of gates into the farmyard at Isombridge Farm. Keep R and follow the track bending first to the R, then to the L through the farmyard to meet the lane.

3. Turn R and follow the lane for approx 2 miles/3 km to Longdon. At the T junction turn R onto the B5063 and cross the bridge over the river. **Thomas Telford's Aqueduct** (the world's first cast iron aqueduct, built in 1797, now a grade I listed Ancient Monument) can immediately be seen to the left. If desired, from a lay-by further along on the L, follow the signposted path through 2 kissing gates to the aqueduct and then return to the road using the same path. Continue on the B5063 passing the church, then take the lane on the R before the footpath ends, passing Redhouse Barns at the corner. Follow the lane past Lower Farm to the point it turns 90 degrees R.

4. Carry straight on across the field in front of you towards the stile in the hedgerow ahead (the **Solar Farm** can be seen to the left). Cross the stile and continue on heading for the gateway to Rushmoor Lane. (NB. The area near the gateway can be very muddy. If this is the case, follow the field edge to the road). Turn L, cross the road, and continue until past the access lane to Cheshire Coppice. Just after this gated entrance, and before the entrance to the Solar Farm, turn R over a stile in the hedge and cross the field to another stile in the far R corner. Go over the stile, to the access lane and turn left through the gate.



5. Cross the bridge over a drainage channel and turn R following the path beside the channel to a stile at the end of the field. Carry straight on into the woodland and follow this path all the way to the next stile which leads out into open fields. Turn R, along the field edge, and continue to the entry gate on R (marked "49" on OS maps).

6. Exit through the gate and turn L onto Rushmoor Lane and follow this until you have passed the main entrance to the Severn Trent Treatment Plant. Turn L through a kissing gate in the hedge and cross the field to another kissing gate at the far side. Turn R and follow the path to Back Lane. Turn R and follow this round as it bends L, then turn L at the junction to return to the Plough Inn. If walking the full route, follow Route 3 back to Wrockwardine

# Wellington 360

## WROCKWARDINE WALKS

This guide contains the directions for 7 circular Walking Routes from Wrockwardine Village or forming extensions to Route 1 of the "**Wellington 360 - Northern Walks**" guide.

All walks start from the road in front of the main entrance to St. Peter's Church and proceed as indicated below (AC: Anti-Clockwise, C: Clockwise). Walks can be reversed once the route is familiar. Some can be combined at the points marked (\*)

- Route 1a: Village Stroll (AC)
- Route 1b: via Burcot Row (AC)
- Route 2: via Tiddie Cross (AC)
- Route 3: via Allscott (AC)
- Route 4a: via Admaston (C)
- Route 4b: via Brattton (C)
- Route 5: via Longdon Aqueduct (C)

