

# ALCESTER CIVIC SOCIETY

## Local Walks

### No.4

## Alcester Heath



Pete's Perch

**Length 6 miles**

**Time 3 hours**

Leaving the Town Hall walk down Butter Street and along High Street as far as the alley/tuery to Bulls Head Yard. Turn into the tuery & continue past the shops to a road. Cross & go through a gate into a small park. Follow the tarmac path past the swings into a tuery alongside the Lord Nelson pub on Priory Road.

Cross the road, turn left then immediately right into Priory Tuery between a house & the church carpark. Emerging at a crossroad turn left then right along Allimore Lane. Cross the bridle bridge over the A46 & continue along Cold Comfort Lane. Crossing Spittle Brook bear right along a lane with a fence on your left & a hedge and brook on the right. Follow the track passing a house on the right & enter the wood. Follow the clear track through the wood

You will emerge into a large field. Keep on the same heading to reach a fence coming in on your right. Continue keeping the hedge on your left. Turn right at the next field & continue keeping the hedge on your right until you arrive at a waymarked bridge over a ditch. Cross & continue to follow the field edge to another footbridge over Spittle Brook. Continue ahead in the same direction slightly uphill with the hedge on your right until you reach a busy road.

Turn right & cross to Coughton Lane. Follow the lane passing houses on both sides

*Look out for a fallen tree trunk on the right-side verge marked Pete's Perch – a convenient drinks stop!*

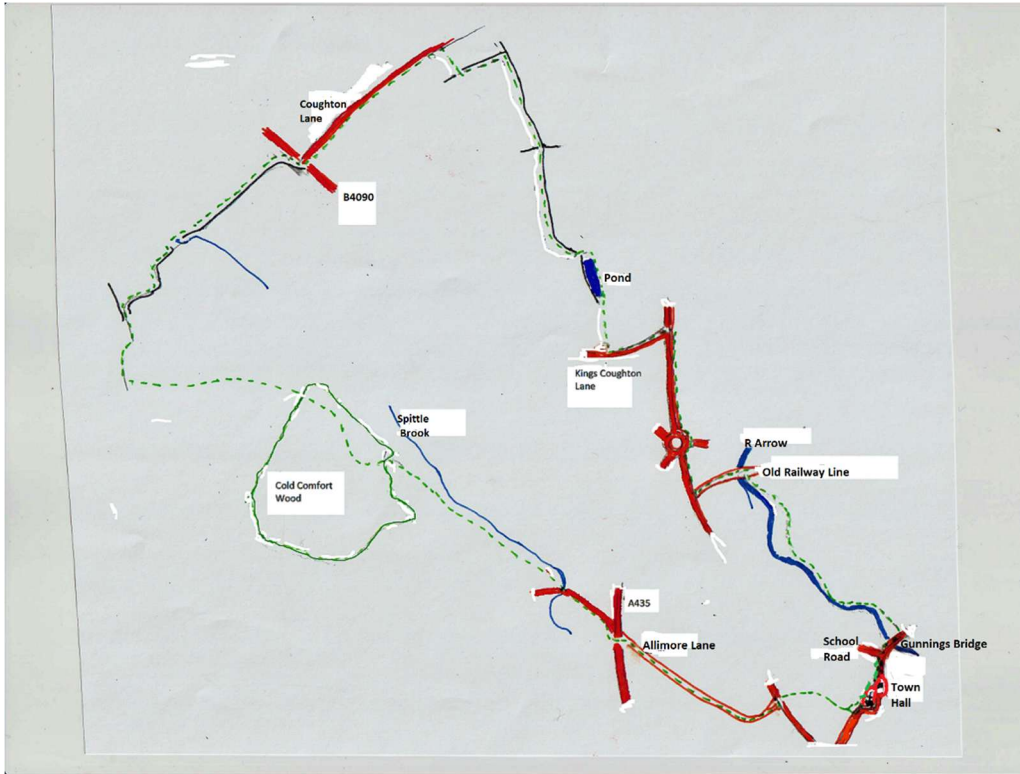
Shortly after passing the next pair of cottages on your right turn right through a way-marked metal farm gate. Cross the field on a well-trodden path to a gate in the hedge ahead. Go through, turn left & follow the field boundary around the corner. Continue into the next field, ignore the track to the left & continue past a large chicken shed until you reach a small reservoir surrounded by a fence.

Take the path to the left of the reservoir then turn right along a track with the reservoir now on your right.

*This is the old track bed of the railway from Redditch to Alcester & Bidford.*

Continue until you arrive at a tarmaced lane – Kings Coughton Lane. Turn left & walk on down to the main A435 road.

Turn right along the main road to a traffic island. Walk on past the Roebuck towards Alcester. After a few yards turn left down some steps to follow the track of another old railway as far as the River Arrow. Before crossing the bridge turn right following the path through the Nature Reserve and on through the Abbey Fields and allotments emerging on School Road. Turn right along Henley Street to complete your six mile walk at Alcester's ancient Town Hall.



For further details see:  
OS EXPLORER MAPS 1:25,000 Scale

205 STRATFORD & EVESHAM

220 BIRMINGHAM

Wherever you go follow

### The Country Code

- Respect the life of the countryside
- Guard against all risk of fire
- Leave gates as you find them
- Keep your dogs under control
- Keep to public paths across farmland
- Use gates & stiles to cross fences Hedges & walls
- Leave livestock, crops & machinery alone
- Take your litter home
- Help to keep all water clean
- Protect wildlife, plants & trees
- Take special care on country roads
- Make no unnecessary noise

### Civic Society Publications

Local walks leaflets

1. Oversley Hill – 4.5 miles
2. Alcocks Arbour – 5 miles
3. Coughton – 4.5 miles
4. Alcester Heath – 6 miles
5. Awaiting update
6. Broom – 6 miles