

Village Link Walk Five, Llanidloes to Llawr y Glyn

The longest of the link walks at about 7.5 miles, the route takes in woodland, open fields and riverside walking. Llawr y Glyn does not have a village shop or pub so refreshments will have to be carried. The nearest village shop is at Trefeglwys, about 2.5 miles away.

Leaving the Old Market Hall, walk along Long Bridge Street to the roundabout and turn left over Severn bridge. Turn left along the B4518 signposted to Llyn Clywedog and continue for about 200 yards and look out for the Glyndwr's Way and Severn Way finger post across the road on your right.

From this point follow the Glyndwr's Way markers through Allt Goch wood (Being careful not to miss the point where Glyndwr's Way bears off left away from the Severn Way) to the Golf Club. Leave the Golf Club through the main gate and again follow Glyndwr's Way as it goes left, through the farm and ahead along the bridleway.

Look out for the point at which Glyndwr's Way leaves the bridleway to your left and continue to follow it down through 3 fields to the tarmac road. Turn right along the road for about 50 yards and then left, over the stile and continue down, across a further 3 fields to the road to Y Fan.

Turn right along the road and walk for some 250 yards to the road junction. (It is interesting to note that the road off to your left was, in fact, a railway line to the Van lead mines, the colourful terraced houses fronting almost directly onto the tracks. There are many remains of the old mines in the vicinity for which it would be worth making a separate trip to explore at some time.)

Continue ahead and, ignoring the right turn at about 250 yards, follow the road as it turns sharp right at the point where it is joined by an even narrower road from your left. Now continue along the road, ignoring any side turns, for about 1.5 miles until you are joined by a road from your right.

Turn right at this point and walk to the bridleway finger-post about 100 yards down, on your left. Leave the road and follow the bridleway markers out, across the fields and on down the track to Cilhaul Farm, just over 1.5 miles further on. About 50 yards before the farm entrance, look out for the bridleway cutting back sharply below you to your left and follow it through the gate and down the fields to meet the track.

Follow the track as it gradually descends to run alongside the river Trannon. (You will note that the way-mark arrows change from blue and yellow to green as the bridleway gives way to permissive access.) Follow the green arrows now as you continue past Glanyravon farmhouse. (At this point you may turn right over the bridge to reach the road and turn left into Llawr y Glyn.) Continue along the track for about 100 yards then bear right off the track and follow the river bank, crossing the small footbridge further down and walking on over the field through a wicket gate into the village.