



Cleobury Mortimer Footpath Association

is a member of Shropshire Council's Parish Paths Partnership (P3) scheme. We have monthly work parties to maintain local Rights of Way. This includes footpath clearance and installation or repair of stiles, gates, bridges, fingerposts etc. We also encourage use of local footpaths by leading Sunday walks in and beyond our parish and produce a number of printed guides for walks in our glorious countryside.

For more information please visit our website: www.cmfa.co.uk



Walkers are Welcome

Cleobury Mortimer joined this volunteer led national organisation of affiliated towns in 2010. This status is awarded to towns with well maintained, safe way-marked footpaths and who give a warm welcome to walkers in their accommodation, pubs, cafes, and shops.

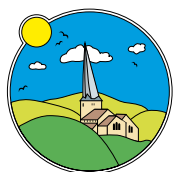


Build walking into your daily routine

Start gradually, set yourself small targets and goals and build slowly from there. Small changes can make a big difference. The most important thing is to make a start as any activity is better than none. To get the most benefit you need to do 30 minutes continuous moderate physical activity on at least 5 days of the week and any health benefits gained will be lost if you don't stay active.

Useful websites:

Shropshire Great Outdoors: www.shropshiregreatoutdoors.co.uk
Cleobury Country Centre: www.cleoburycountry.com
Walkers are Welcome: www.walkersarewelcome.org.uk



Cleobury Country



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Cleobury Country Walks

Walk 5: Teme Valley Views

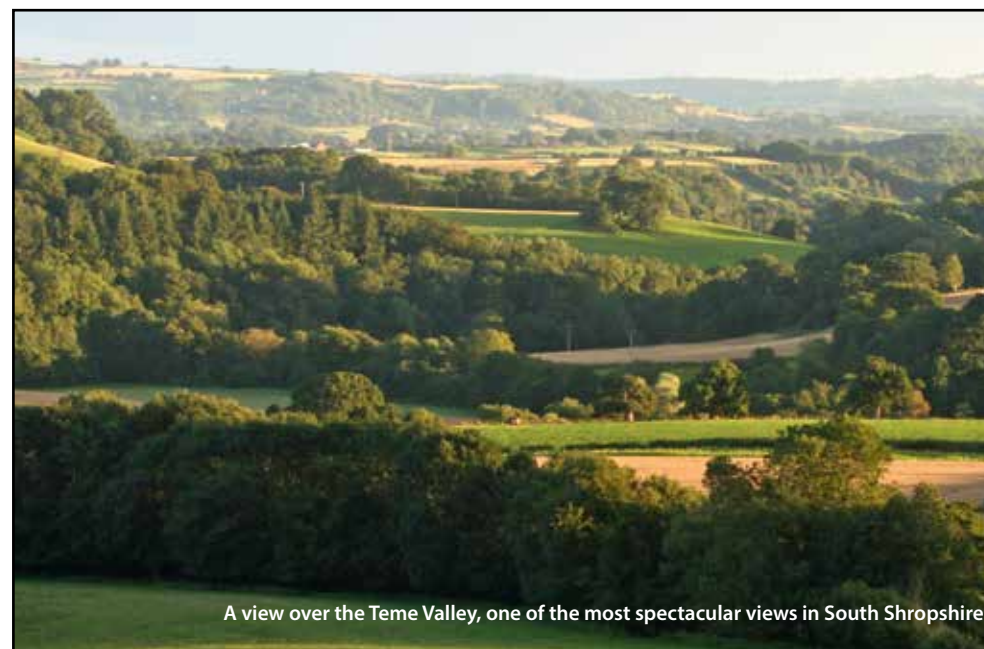


Length: 3 miles (5kms)
Time: 1½ hours

Start: Outside **St Mary's Church**, Cleobury Mortimer

Walk Grade: Moderate. A number of stiles and up and down with a long uphill towards the end.

Note: Due to the terrain, nearly all our walks involve at least one short steep uphill and some stiles. However, you can take it as slowly as you like and the views make it worthwhile.



A view over the Teme Valley, one of the most spectacular views in South Shropshire

A walk to the south of the town giving spectacular views over the Teme Valley and on a clear day all the way to the Malverns and the Black Mountains

Walk prepared by Cleobury Mortimer Footpath Association

Walk Directions

- 1 From the Church, cross the road using the crossing point opposite the Pharmacy.

Turn left and then right down Lion Lane and through a kissing gate at the bottom.

- 2 Go right, through gap in hedge and diagonally uphill to a stile into the next field.

Go diagonally left uphill, over a stile then diagonally right over another stile. Continue in the same direction going downhill.

- 3 Go through a gate and right along a track. In the next field, veer left to go diagonally uphill across a field past a large oak tree. At the top go over a stile into another field

- 4 Continue with the field boundary on your left. Go through a gate to spectacular views over the TEME VALLEY. Continue in the same direction downhill. Go through a gate and left to follow a track to REASIDE MANOR [*a 16th/17th century building and amongst the oldest occupied in the parish. A gentleman's residence from 1650, it became a farmhouse in 19th Century. Possibly once monastic.*]

Please respect the privacy of the residents of this private house as you continue through the property and into a field

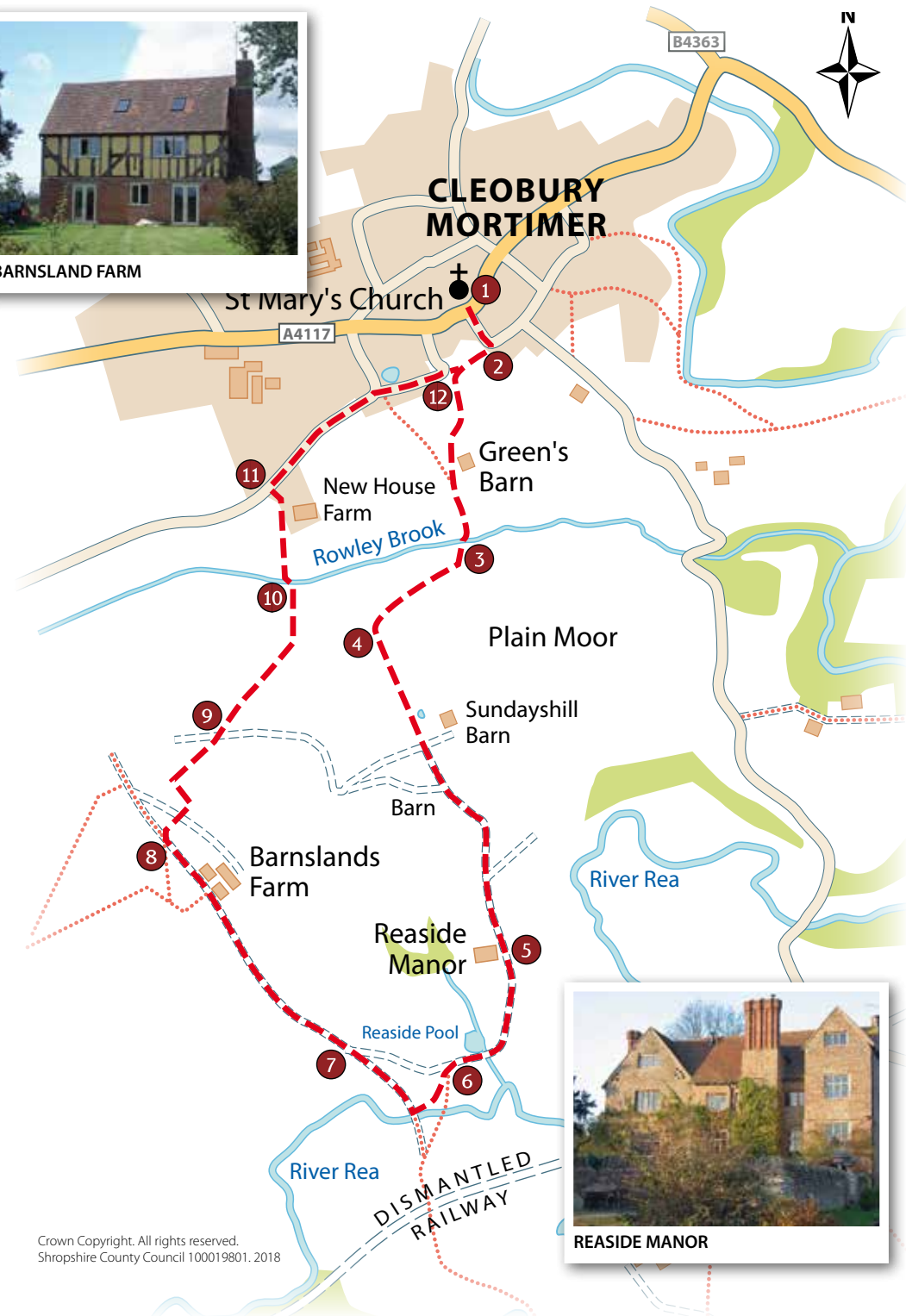
- 5 In the field beyond the manor, bear slightly right towards a shallow cutting leading into trees and over a stile. Follow the path along the dam of a pool and over a stile

Note: at the time of writing the dam has collapsed and the route meanders through the derelict pond.

- 6 To follow the right of way, go diagonally left down to the river and a footbridge. Do not go over the River Rea, but head back uphill to a gate on the skyline. (However, it is possible to stay at the same height keeping the hedge on your right and then to the gate straight ahead).
- 7 Go through the gate, cross a field to another gate and follow a track through a series of fields to BARNSLAND FARM. [*The farmhouse is 16th Century. Once called Baronsland and reputed to be the home farm for the powerful Mortimer Family in medieval times*]. Continue through the farmyard and steeply uphill to a stile on the right.
- 8 Go over this stile and forward over two stiles, with track in between. Go over the next stile on the left and uphill with a hedge on your right and right over a stile. Continue diagonally left uphill, over a stile and onto a track by a seat
- 9 Straight across, over a stile and diagonally right across field (aim for two telephone poles close together). Go over the stile and left downhill keeping the field boundary on your left.
- 10 Go over a stile and along a concrete path between ponds to a field. Go uphill, slightly diagonally right towards line of trees with buildings of industrial estate (which includes HOBSONS BREWERY [*Our famous brewery, beer has been brewed here since 1993*]. Continue to the road.
- 11 Turn right towards Cleobury. As the road bends left, go right into Eagle Lane. At the bottom of the slope where the lane bends left to go uphill, go forward over a stile.
- 12 Continue in the same direction along the bottom of the field to a gate into Lion Lane. Go uphill to the main road and the Church.



BARNSLAND FARM



REASIDE MANOR