

Twenty-one GLOSSOP –KIDD ROAD AND MOORFIELDS.

This walk is entirely along roads so might not suit some people's tastes. However this makes it very easy to do and it is not long. It gives a taste of the Dark Peak area, and of more gentle panoramas.

It reduces the range you see but this walk conveniently splits into two parts for those who like short walks –these parts therefore form the next two walks in this series.

Take the train to Manchester Victoria and from there a tram to Manchester Piccadilly Station. From here catch the train (usually platform two) to Glossop.

Alight at Glossop.

At the front of the station The George Inn is facing you and to the left of you is The Star. *This is a Good Beer Guide Pub with an excellent range of real ales.*

Turn right down to the crossroads.

At the crossroads turn left uphill up the main road for about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile or so.

Turn right along Hurst Road opposite the Royal Oak.

Now follow this quiet country road for over a mile until you are passing an estate wall on the left. *There are pleasant views and cottages all along this road. The new development down to the right shows that it's not possible to build unobtrusively ion this landscape.*

Turn right onto Kidd Road. *This is opposite the rather grandiose gates to 'Moorfield'.*

Follow Kidd Road as it meanders down the hill. *There are moorland views, and the impressive Cown Edge over to the left*

As you enter the built up area notice a chapel ahead. Ignore Whitfield Lane and walk by the right hand side of the chapel.

Just beyond the chapel is The Hague School building with its commemorative plaque. On the right is 'The Beehive'. *Its signs claim that it sells Taylor's beers but it appears to be closed during the day.*

Then turn left down Whitfield Cross. Follow this down heading towards a 36

church spire at the main road.

You come to the main road opposite 'The Crown'. *This is a popular Samuel Smith's pub with a good interior. It appears in the Good Beer Guide.*

Turn right and follow the main road down into Glossop. *You pass a number of interesting buildings that have found new purposes and notice the attractive Town Hall on the left. Opposite this the Glossop Café is an option for refuelling.*

Go over the crossroads past the side of The Norfolk Arms. *Now refurbished and run by Joseph Holt.*

The railway station is on your left. *Over half of what was once a fair sized country railway station is now the Co-op Supermarket.*

CLASSIFICATION: EASY. MEDIUM LENGTH WALK. PUBS,
ARCHITECTURE, COUNTRY VIEWS
RAIL FARE: category one.

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