

## **Route Description – Beguildy Circular Trail**

*Area* Beguildy

*Distance* 7.7km or 4.8miles

*Difficulty* Moderate

*Duration* 2 – 2 1/2 hours

*Parking* Parking available at the Radnorshire Arms, by kind permission of landlord.. Please call 01547 510634 beforehand to ask permission. Grid Ref: SO 1950 7968.

### *Brief Summary:*

Scenic walk on quiet country lanes, common land, farmland and woodland, linking up with the Glyndwr's Way National Trail for a length.

### *Walk description*

This is a 4.8 mile walk from the centre of Beguildy making use of a quiet country lane, public rights of way and the Glyndwr's Way National Trail. An easy to moderate walk on some uneven terrain, with a long, steady uphill section out of the village. There are no stiles on this route.

From the car park of the Radnorshire Arms, turn left and take the lane opposite the pub, following the direction of the fingerpost signposted *To Glyndwr's Way 1 3/4 miles*.

Follow this lane as it heads gently uphill away from the village, past the Church on the right and through the cottages and farm buildings. Keep going for just under a mile, until you reach a cattle grid on the edge of Beacon Hill common.

Go through the gate to the side of the cattle grid. Follow the direction of the fingerpost for Glyndwr's Way, pointing to your right across the common. Head towards a waymarker post and follow the direction arrows past two more posts.

Skirt past the enclosed fields on your left and take the waymarked path through the bracken. Enjoy the scenic views of the Teme valley on your right as you walk around Beacon Hill for over 1/2 mile.

As you leave the path through the bracken, bear left by the mine shaft and then right, then continue to an enclosed lane surrounded by trees.

Follow the enclosed lane, through a disused gateway and then take the main stone track in front of you. The track curves around to the left and you reach Glyndwr's Way.

Turn left and join up with the Glyndwr's Way, which you will follow for 1 mile. Follow the track up until the disused gateway, by the gatepost leave the main track and follow Glyndwr's Way to the left.

Follow the National Trails waymarker posts. Cross over the road at Cefn Pawl and then follow the stone track heading towards the Bwlch. Go through a field gate and then head out onto Warren Bank, still following the Glyndwr's Way. Follow the trail up the bank.

At the triple fingerpost, leave Glyndwr's Way and follow the sign for Beguildy (you almost double back on yourself and follow a faint track across the common). Keep going straight along this path across the common, until you drop down to the edge of the common at a field gate.

Go through the field gate making sure to close it properly afterwards. Follow the track down the hill keeping the fence line on your left. Go through some sheep pens and then start climbing gently upwards, still keeping to the track and going through several gates. Keep following the track as it heads down hill again.

Where the track enters some trees, turn left through the pedestrian gate. Walk straight up to the top of the trees and then head right across and down the field, aiming for the right of the two big trees.

Go across a stone track and through a field gate next to the large Mountain Ash. Walk down the field, keeping close to the fence line on your right. Ignore the permissive path on your left. Keep going down through some woodland and go through another field gate.

At the bottom of the hill use the wooden bridge to cross the stream and then go through the field gate. **WARNING:** You are now coming out onto a public road. Turn right down the lane and you will shortly reach The Radnorshire Arms.

Difficulty: Medium

Duration: 2-3 hours

Distance: 4-5 miles