

Route 5 St Nicholas Park to Stoke Golding via the Weddington Country Walkway and Higham on the Hill. Also includes a shorter option going only to Higham.

Distance: 6 miles (35-60 mins) or 10 miles (60-100 mins)

Start: Ambleside Community Sports Club, Ambleside Way CV11 6AT OSGR SP374930.

The Route

A Leave the **Ambleside Community Sports Club** via the main access road, turning R at the end. At the end of **Ambleside Way** turn R at the mini-roundabout (**Higham Rd**) and first L at a further mini-roundabout into **Brookdale Rd**.

B Turn second R into **Ryde Avenue**. Follow the road around to the L and take the narrow path on the right (opposite number 87) into a park. Go SO past the playground to reach a residential road. Go L and first R into **Oakdene Crescent**. Go SO to the end and turn L into **Bramdene Avenue**.

C At the end turn R. There are then two options:
Main Route via Weddington Rd. Continue SO for 700 yards and turn R, with care, onto the **Weddington Country Walk**. Continue at **D**

A quieter and slightly longer (750 yards) option via a rough field track and Weddington Church. Turn first L into Church Lane and follow this road to the R, reaching St James' church. Join the bridleway to the R of the church for 200 yards across the field. Pass through the gate and under the bridge. Go up the ramp on the left (six shallow steps) to reach the **Weddington Country Walk**. Turn L onto the path. At the next road, negotiate the barrier and cross the road, bearing left to continue on the path opposite (signed NCN Route 52).

D Pass under the **A5 (Watling St)** and follow the path R to reach the lane. Turn L following National Cycle Network Route 52 (NCN52) signs to **Higham on the Hill**. Follow this lane SO for 0.75 miles to reach the village.

E At the junction by the **Oddfellows Arms** there are two options.

Shorter Route (6 miles). Turn right into **Nuneaton Lane**. Continue at point **F**.

Main route via Stoke Golding (10 miles). Go SO along **Main St**, through the village and L at the mini-roundabout. At the next crossroads go SO, passing over the **Ashby Canal** and at the end of **Higham Lane** turn R towards **Dadlington** reaching **Stoke Golding** village. Note the **plaque denoting coronation of Henry VII in 1485 at Crown Hill** on the L.

F Follow the road R by the **George and Dragon** pub, then go



SO towards **Wykin**. Note the millennium sign on L depicting **Henry VII's coronation**.

G After 1.25 miles, at the end of the lane turn R into **Higham Lane**. Follow this road SO back to Higham, passing the **Higham Lane Fishery** and the **Ashby Canal**. Turn L at the mini-roundabout and next L, by the **Oddfellows Arms** into **Nuneaton Lane**.

H Go SO at the A5 roundabout. Please note this is a busy road and you may prefer to use the pedestrian paths and

crossing points around the edge of the roundabout. Turn first L into **Milby Drive**, going SO at the mini-roundabout.

I Turn next R into **Palett Drive**. Turn third R, opposite the **Coniston Tavern**, into **Coniston Way**, passing the **St Nicholas Park** shops.

J At the end turn R at the mini-roundabout and first L into **Windermere Avenue**. Follow this road around to the L and turn next R into **Ambleside Way**. Turn R (opposite number 39) to return to the sports club.