

Pen-y-ffordd is an active village community, set in rolling countryside, just inside the Welsh border, where the land rises up from Cheshire. It includes Penymynydd, which has long since been absorbed and Dobshill.



In the Woods

Prices Hill Wood is a semi-ancient woodland filled with rich varieties of trees and flora. Look out for the majestic Hornbeam trees, Bluebells and Woodpeckers.



The White Lion

The houses of Heritage Park on Penymynydd Road are on the site of the old White Lion Inn. You will pass Manchester House which was once a grocery shop.



Hawarden Estate

The church was paid for by Sir R.Glynne of Hawarden Estate in 1843. The woods still belong to the estate and the lodge you pass on this walk was one of the entrances to the Castle until the A55 cut it off.



Turkey Farm

Down Wood Lane is Les Hewitt's old Turkey Farm. At Christmas time local people would work in the barns getting the turkeys ready for Christmas.

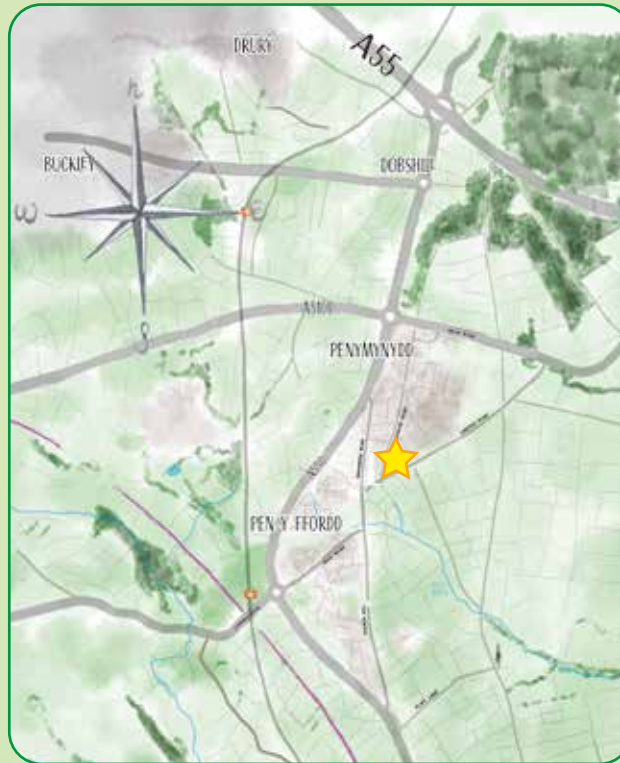
Getting Here

By Rail

Pen-y-ffordd station is on the Wrexham-Bidston line. Alight at Pen-y-ffordd station. Cross the roundabout and walk along Corwen Road / Rhos Road, past the Red Lion pub. Turn left at the T-Junction and start the circular walk at number 20, by the Millennium Clock.

By Car

The A550 links Pen-y-ffordd to the A55 North Wales Expressway. Coming from the Expressway, go straight across two roundabouts and turn left at the third. You will pass the Red Lion pub. Turn left at the end, then next right, at the Millstone Pub. You will see the Memorial Institute ahead of you, turn left before it and the car park is at the rear.



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PEN-Y-FFORDD CIRCULAR WALKS

Walk Number Two



INTO THE WOODS

On this gentle 5 mile circular walk through Penymynydd and Dobshill villages, experience nature in the semi-ancient woodland of Prices Hill Wood, wander ancient lanes and bridle paths and take in the beautiful scenery of the borderlands.

Distance

5 Miles

Difficulty

Moderate
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Accessibility

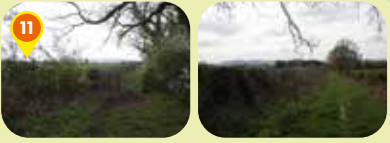
Some livestock
Stiles to cross
Soft ground

Footwear

Some wet or
soft ground
at times



Turn left into the Bridleway Bannel Farm.



This bridleway is part of the original road from Hope to Hawarden.



Cross the road continue straight ahead.



Cross the A5104 and continue straight ahead down Bannel Lane.



At the fork in the lane, keep left.



Walk through the the farmyard at Bannel Farm.



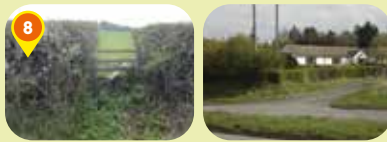
Continue through the farm into the field, keep left as you enjoy views of Hope Mountain.



Walk through the sheep pens and take care when crossing the A550 Pen-y-ffordd by-pass.



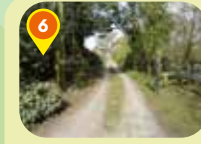
Turn right at the roundabout. It used to be a busy crossroads and there were many accidents.



Follow the path across the field to Serenity Lane. At the end you will need to cross the dual carriageway and turn left.



When the A55 was built, construction workers had to blast and dig a cutting through at this point.



Walk down the side of the buildings and follow the track.



Cross the road and through the gate. The Lodge is part of the Hawarden Estate. The road was once the busy main road between Buckley and Chester.



Turn off the lane and into the woods, when the road turns right.



Cross the main road at the Puffin crossing and head down the lane with the church on your left.



Near the top of the road, keep left as the road swings to the right.



Start at the War Memorial Institute. There is a free car park at the rear. Head up Penymynydd Road, with the Institute on your right.



Walk along Wood Lane past the old Turkey Farm.



Take the footpath by the side of the butcher's shop and cross the road.



The millennium clock contains all the names of people living in the village in the year 2000.

