Friday, 18th December "Along the Lanes" with Sarah and Paul Westacott



The walk was fully booked, but when the weather took a turn for the worse the group surprisingly reduced from 12 to 6 people. We nearly got our first swimming lesson when wading through deep puddles from the carpark to the walking path. After that, the path was quite muddy but still reasonable for December. We started with a bit of rain, but luckily it eased during the walk. At one point, we even managed to have a dry tea break.

We went through Monkey and Naps lanes, Dotton and Stoneyford. During our walk the leader, Sarah Westacott, told us about the amazing views along the way - due to the weather, however, we could not work out if her narrative matched up to reality.

Admittedly, I only attended the walk because I had signed up. I would not have considered walking by myself in such weather, but I think we still had a very good and enjoyable walk nonetheless. Afterwards, I was happy that I had done it.

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