

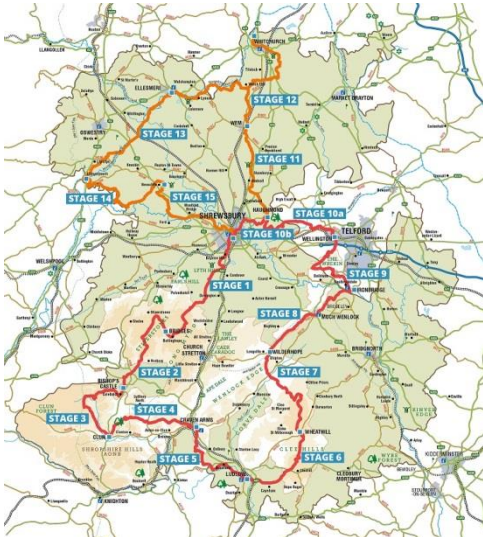


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The whole of the Shropshire Way long distance path of 123 miles is now defined.

The southern section comprises 10 stages from Shrewsbury to Haughmond Hill with a link stage (10b) from Haughmond back to Shrewsbury. Part of stage 10a includes a new route taking the path from the Ercall through Wellington, with an extra downloadable map.



Stages 11 to 15 complete the northern section, stage 10b being used again if your start point is Shrewsbury. A diversion at Nesscliffe Camp has been approved and implemented.

All of the Southern section and most of the Northern section is waymarked.

A page for every stage of the way

Our website www.shropshireway.org.uk includes a new map showing all the numbered stages. There is a page for every stage with a downloadable map and a .gpx file. There are route information details for stages 1 to 10a; the others are in progress.

Shropshire Way Champions

Gill Pursey is our Champions Coordinator for the Southern section. She has already recruited some champions who will 'own' a stretch of the path, walk it periodically and report or resolve problems.

We need Champions for all, or part, of Bishop's Castle to Churchtown, Bury Ditches to Craven Arms and Ludlow to Wheathill. We also need Champions plus a coordinator for the Northern section. If you are interested contact Gill by email g.e.pursey@gmail.com

OS mapping

Data is being prepared for submission to Ordnance Survey so that only Shropshire Way Main Route will be shown on the next digital release of the OS maps

A new Guide Book

Cicerone press has appointed John Gillham, a walks guide book author, to write a guide to the Shropshire Way Main Route. John wrote 'Hill Walking in Shropshire' and is also a photographer. Publication is planned for later in 2018 or early 2019 when we plan to have a grand launch event for completion of the Main Route.

Shropshire Magazine – watch this space

We were given a wonderful 4 page spread in the May issue of Shropshire Magazine and another is planned later this year to feature the Northern section. Amanda Hartley-Newton, our publicity officer is taking our display around to venues in the county. So far it has visited Shrewsbury, Craven Arms, Wellington, Ludlow, Stiperstones, Whitchurch. Next stop is Wem from 31st July. Let us know if you have a venue.



Work in progress:

- Completing waymarks North of Shrewsbury and supplementing where there are gaps elsewhere.
- Installing fingerposts at key junctions.
- Completing downloads on website
- Improving information on the website

AGM advance notice

Saturday 1st December 14.00 at
Shrewsbury United Reformed Church lecture room.
Free parking at the English Bridge gyratory.

Come and join us on this great project we need more volunteers.

Development areas are:

- List of accommodation providers and website advertisement sales
- Public Transport information
- Landscape – geology, flora and fauna
- Research into Baggage Carriers

If you would like to be involved please contact Audrey Menhinick audreymenhinick@yahoo.co.uk on **01743 247404** or come to the next meeting of the Shropshire Way Association Forum at The Lantern Harlescote SY1 4NG on Wednesday 19th September 14.00

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