

## Walkers are Welcome CIC – Regional Get-together

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Hosted by Dursley Walkers are Welcome Steering Group and to be held at  
Dursley Community Centre, Rednock Drive, Dursley, Gloucestershire GL11 4BX

The purpose of this Regional 'mini' Get-Together is to bring together Walkers are Welcome Towns and Villages for the purpose of networking and sharing best practice.

The Get-together has a general subject of "Town meets Country" and a number of Dursley partners will be present.

### Programme:

9:45 Registration, coffee

10:00 Welcome from Dursley Welcomes Walkers

Welcome to Dursley Town Council, represented by either Claire Nelms, Mayor of Dursley or Neil Grecian, Deputy Mayor

Introductions

10:30 A choice of 2 walks to look at the area in and around Dursley

#### Walk 1.

Dursley Town Heritage walk, led by Andy Barton from Dursley Heritage Centre.

This walk is a slow amble around Dursley's streets with frequent stops to look at some of the town's old buildings and other locations with a focus on their history.

#### Walk 2.

Approximate 3 mile walk to Stinchcombe Hill to walk the Cotswold Way circular walk that has been twinned with route 3 of the Jeju Olle Trail, south Korea, as a mark of friendship and international co-operation between our two countries. This walk will you change to experience one of the most beautiful meanderings of the Cotswold Way with extensive views over the surrounding countryside. The walk has one long steep ascent and descent. Walking boots are recommended for this walk.

12:45 Return to the Community Centre for lunch and networking opportunities.

Lunch will consist of soup and ploughmans at £5.00 per head and must be prebooked.

14:00 The Walkers are Welcome National Executive on

**"The National Direction of Walkers Welcome and what are the challenges and opportunities for all"**

14:30 James Blockley – Cotswold Way National Trail Manager

**"The Cotswold Way and National Trails"**

15:00 Q & A

Tea

Networking

15:30 Farewells

With thanks to everyone and particularly Jane Ball from Dursley and District Community Centre for catering and venue arrangements

*Waterproof boots and clothing may be required. Please bring leaflets to share.*

For those wishing to stay overnight and further enjoy the area please see [www.dursleywelcomeswalkers.org.uk](http://www.dursleywelcomeswalkers.org.uk) and accommodation websites such as [www.booking.com/Gloucestershire](http://www.booking.com/Gloucestershire)

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