

An Alchemical Experiment

Developing a Publicly Accessible 'Green Way'1

Stage One

- 1. All partners have an outline of a trail: **A 'Green Way'**
 - most have had an activity on the trail
- This exercise starts enhancing the partner outlines by producing
 - a route description encouraging independent use of the trail
 - environmental & heritage information to create the metaphorical 'Green Bridge'
- 3. The exercise is designed to assist partners
 - engage in analysis of existing work
 - begin the process of creating a 'publicly usable map of the route' (02 & 03 below)

The Exercise:

(Please produce 2 finished copies: one in local language & one translated into English)

- 1. Draw a single line (use a computerised system eg MS Word)
- 2. Write all the guidance instructions for an individual or group following the route (see examples)
 - start with instructions then add the distances between significant points on the route
 - the result is similar in style to that provided by directions on a web guide
 - eg Google Maps Directions.
 - Those results are based on vehicle accessible routes & <u>are not suitable</u> for 'off-road' 'Green Ways'
- 3. Add other environmentally relevant information on the opposite side placing it directly opposite the related route description
- 4. Results to be sent to coordinator by 22nd January

O3. Images & information Of communities, facilities, social, cultural, natural interest related to the route of the Green Way. All to be published.



¹ Described in application as

O1. a publicly accessible 'Green Way': a metaphorical bridge between people, places & natural environments. A route encouraging creative educational activities & reflection. Route & processes recorded, published, 'blogged'.

The 'Green Way' creation, interpreted contextually - & relevant to linked creative education.

O2. A publicly usable map of the route



Further Information:

- Ideally this is a group task
 - it will be more accurate & more informative when produced by a small group).
 - Given Covid restrictions the group task may need to be led by one person who circulates an initial diagram. This to be followed by a virtual meeting.
- It is unlikely the task can be completed in one session.
 - The process of analysing (choosing relevant material), researching & checking the developing diagrams also requires time for reflection & discussion between sessions
 - the attached 'introductory' draft examples (based on a route used almost daily with information previously loaded onto computer) took several sessions to produce
- An aim is to achieve a common partnership standard, reflected in the final publication



Journey from Newtown Mid Wales using the Sarn Oak trail.

This Draft and Draft Two are both incomplete.

They are demonstrations.

- Each partner should use this format
- It is the start of the process of turning existing trail information into a form that can be used as a guide without any extra assistance

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Bus to Sarn from Newtown Bus Station

Sarn Inn: Start Walk

Lane

Left turn

Track

Fields

Turn left

Lane

Cross stream

Left over stile

Fields

Gate turn right

Lane

Sarn

Bus to Newtown

Newtown: Mid Wales

Journey from Newtown Mid Wales using the Sarn Oak trail.

This would be accompanied by map & more details regarding environment & heritage issues





Bus to Sarn from Newtown Bus Station Tanat Valley Service 81 https://tanat.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/81.pdf

Sarn Inn: Cross road, Start Walk

Follow by-road between school & new houses

Road narrows to single-track lane

Sewage Works (innovative reed bed system)

Views to 'The Domen'. Curious significant hill structure.

After 1 ½ Km

Second track on left track Footpath signpost on right

White cottages

½ km Farm Gate (footpath marker) Field

Aim directly across to visible gap in hedge Unmarked 'right of way'

Right: 500 yr old oak tree

Land drainage system from C18th & 19th has allowed exploitation by pastoral farming

At hedge continue line to metal 'wicket gate' in hedge

Views ahead (& right) to distant Corndon Hill

Cross field to gate

Turn left onto lane

Ancient oaks & 200 yr old oaks planted when lane became a 'drove' route on drained land

Straight road to bridge over stream

Follow stream through field gate to gate onto road (at sewage works)

Immediately turn left over stile into field

Turn right – continue to main road & bus stop in Sarn
Bus to Newtown