

Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society  
of Friends (Quakers) in Britain



# Wednesday activities

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# Foreword

This year our Yearly Meeting Gathering is a 'build your own' Gathering. You should take the week at your own pace, taking time to rest and reflect when you need it.

Wednesday has no business sessions. We have collected some suggestions of things you might like to do. We have tried to find a good mix of active, relaxing, cultural and inspirational trips.

You might choose to book a coach trip. Some of these are guided activities; on others you will be dropped off at the location and given time to take it at your own pace.

For some suggestions you will need to take local public transport to a location. On arrival there will be a guided activity for you to take part in. You will need to book places on these so we can provide for the numbers attending.

We are fortunate to be meeting in a venue with good local public transport links. We have created a list of activities that you can get to yourself. These do not need to be booked in advance and you can collect an information sheet from the information desk when you arrive at the university.

There will also be a variety of activities on offer on campus, if you don't want to travel. Some of these will require booking.

## How to book

Go to [www.quaker.org.uk/ym/other-activities](http://www.quaker.org.uk/ym/other-activities), where you will be able to pay online. If you are unable to do this, please phone 020 7663 1040.

## Refunds

For excursions, refunds will only be possible before 30 June 2017.

## Children's programme (0 to 11 years)

The YMG responsible adult must accompany each child. Use this guide to choose, and book through the main online booking system.

## Young People's Programme (11 to 14) and Junior Yearly Meeting (14 to 17)

There are a number of trips to choose from where young people can book to be accompanied by

adult volunteers from the CYP programme. For all other trips, the young person must be accompanied by their YMG responsible adult.

## Junior Yearly Meeting participants only

The cost of CYP accompanied activities is included in the cost of attending JYM. No additional payment is required. A separate online form will be sent to JYM participants for booking onto CYP accompanied activities. For any other trip, payment will be required and the young person will have to be accompanied by their YMG responsible adult.

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## The numbering system

### 1. Build Your Own

These are simple reference points for activities that you can do on your own. Information sheets for all of these will be available giving you all the information that you will need to build your own trip (relevant bus timetables, maps, toilets and places to purchase food). These will go alongside the information inside this document, to help you feel confident in what you decide to do.

### 2. Build Your Own – with a bit of help

We are providing coaches (which you will have to pay for) into Warwick, Stratford and Woodbrooke. Once there you can build your own day out, returning to a pick up point at a specified time.

### 3. We do it for you

We put you on a coach from the university to an interesting location (or locations). We'll pick you up later (all of the transport costs are included in the ticket price).

### 4. We do most of it for you

Here we will have booked relevant tickets for you but you'll need to make your own way to the venue.

# Build your own Coventry

## Coventry Friends Meeting House 1

A tranquil opportunity for rest and refreshment. A base for several self-guided walks in easy walking distance of Coventry city centre. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available.

Open: 9.00am–6.00pm, 2 August

Notes: wheelchair accessible

Cost: free

## The Weavers House 1

A wonderful community-led restoration project. The 16th-century Weavers House has been restored to show how John Croke, a narrow loom weaver, and his family would have lived and worked.

Duration: open 10.00am–4.00pm, 2 August. It takes half an hour to go around the house, but you can linger in the garden.

Notes: accessible toilet on site. Limited access in the house, especially for those with mobility problems

A map with full walking route will be displayed in Coventry Friends Meeting house. The address is: The Weaver's House, Black Swan Terrace, 121 Upper Spon Street, Spon End, Coventry CV1 3BQ

Cost: free. Donations very welcome

Website: <http://theweavershouse.org>

## The Herbert Art Gallery and Museum 1

An impressive museum and art gallery with exciting exhibitions, workshops and events throughout the year.

Open: Monday–Saturday 10.00am–4.00pm and Sunday 12.00pm–4.00pm

Notes: fully accessible with a high-quality website to help you plan your visit.

Cost: free. Donations welcome

Website: [www.theherbert.org](http://www.theherbert.org)

## The Coventry Transport Museum 1

Houses the largest publicly-owned collection of British vehicles in the world, and tells the fascinating story of Coventry and its people through the rise and fall of its biggest industry.

Open: Monday–Sunday, 10.00am–5.00pm. You can spend a day in the museum

Notes: accessible

Cost: free

Website: [www.transport-museum.com](http://www.transport-museum.com)

## Lunt Roman fort 1

A partially reconstructed turf and timber Roman fort.

Open: 10.00am–3.30pm Monday–Friday

Notes: wheelchair accessible

Cost: £3.75 adults; £3.00 concessions; £11.00 family ticket (two adults and two children); children under three years go free

Website: [www.luntromanfort.org](http://www.luntromanfort.org)

## Coventry self-guided walk 1

A walk around the historic centre of Coventry with a special focus on George Fox and the early Quakers. Available to download from the website.

Duration: 1 hour 15 mins at a slow pace

Website: <http://1624country.org.uk/leaflets/4Coventrywalk.pdf>

## 2-Tone Village 1

The 2-Tone Village is an exciting area just outside Coventry, celebrating the city's 2-Tone heritage.

Here you will find the award-winning 2-Tone Cafe and Simmer Down Caribbean Restaurant, the 2-Tone Corner subculture shop and the Hall of Fame memorabilia store. Also based here are the Coventry Music Wall of Fame and the Coventry Music Museum (which is not open on Wednesday).

Open: café – open all week. Shops – Wednesday to Sunday

Notes: wheelchair accessible

Cost: free

Website: [www.visitcoventryandwarwickshire.co.uk/things-to-do/2-tone-village-coventry](http://www.visitcoventryandwarwickshire.co.uk/things-to-do/2-tone-village-coventry)

## Kenilworth Castle 1

From medieval fortress to Elizabethan palace, Kenilworth Castle has been at the centre of England's affairs for much of its 900-year history. Today, you can scale the heights of the tower built to woo Queen Elizabeth I, marvel at the mighty Norman keep and explore the exhibition in the Gatehouse.

Open: 10.00am–5.00pm, Monday–Sunday. You can spend a day in the museum

Notes: partially wheelchair accessible. 3.4 miles from Warwick University. An easy walk or bike ride.

Cost: £10.70 adult; £6.40 child (5-15 years); £9.60 concessions (students with student card and those aged 60+)

Website: [www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/kenilworth-castle](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/kenilworth-castle)

# Warwick

We are providing a morning coach to drop Friends off at Warwick Meeting House, with a return one to make it back for evening meal. The coach costs £5.50; tickets must be purchased in advance. To buy a ticket select “coach to Warwick” from the bookings system. Entry fees payable at the venue.

## Warwick Friends Meeting House 2

A friendly welcome at this historic meeting house with onsite café and peaceful garden. The meeting is offering hot and cold beverages, sandwiches and cakes to those Friends who visit.

Friends are encouraged to use the meeting house as a base to explore the town. The meeting will also provide guided walks around historic Coventry at 11.00am and 2.00pm (15 people max).

**Open:** 10.00am–4.00pm, 2 August

**Notes:** wheelchair accessible

**Cost:** free, although donations welcomed

## St Nicholas Park, Warwick 2

With kids’ play areas, mini-golf, swimming and boat rides, this park has something for everyone.

**Open:** 10.00am–5.30pm

**Notes:** wheelchair accessible

**Cost:** free

**Website:** [www.stnicholaspark.co.uk](http://www.stnicholaspark.co.uk)

## Hill Close Gardens 2

Rare survivals of Victorian gardens once used by townsfolk living above their business to escape from the crowded town.

**Open** 11.00am–5.00pm

**Notes:** level access is from the Racecourse entrance. There are two accessible routes but much of the site is accessible by wheelchair

**Cost:** £3.00 adults; £1.00 children aged 5–15

**Website:** [www.covmm.co.uk/2016](http://www.covmm.co.uk/2016)

## St Mary’s Church 2

A fascinating church that spans the centuries. From a Norman crypt to a medieval chancel, vestry and chapter house, finishing its march through history with a nave and tower that was rebuilt in 1704 after the Great Fire of Warwick.

**Open:** 10.00am–6.00pm Monday to Saturday

**Notes:** wheelchair access to the main nave, shop and regimental chapel only

**Cost:** free. There is a charge for access to the tower (note: the tower is not suitable for children under 8)

**Website:** [www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk](http://www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk)

## Priory Park 2

Relaxing countryside close to Warwick town centre.

**Open:** all day, every day

**Notes:** no toilet on site

**Cost:** free

**Website:** [www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20311/major\\_parks/1065/priory\\_park](http://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20311/major_parks/1065/priory_park)

## Lord Leycester Hospital 2

The hospital is an historic group of timber-framed buildings on Warwick High Street, dating mainly from the late 14th Century and clustered around the Norman gateway into the town, with its 12th-Century Chantry Chapel above it. For nearly 200 years it was home to Warwick’s medieval guilds.

**Open:** 10.00am–5.00pm Tuesday to Sunday

**Notes:** limited disabled access

**Cost:** £8.50 adults; £5.00 children (under 5 free); £6.50 concessions; £20.00 family ticket (two adults, up to three children)

**Website:** <http://lordleycester.com/information>

## Stratford-upon-Avon

We are providing a morning coach to drop Friends off at Stratford Meeting House, with a return one to make it back for evening meal. The coach costs £5.50; tickets must be purchased in advance. To buy a ticket select “coach to Stratford-upon-Avon” from the bookings system. Entry fees payable at the venue.

### Stratford Meeting House 2

Stratford Friends are offering their meeting house and garden as a base for rest and relaxation while exploring the historic market town. They will be providing tea, coffee and cakes for Friends who make their way there.

**Open:** 12.30pm onwards

**Notes:** fully accessible

**Cost:** free, but donations welcome

### Stratford-upon-Avon Butterfly House 2

Discover hundreds of the world's most spectacular and beautiful butterflies flying in an exotic environment of tropical blossom with splashing waterfalls and fish-filled pools.

**Open:** 10.00am–6.00pm

**Notes:** almost fully accessible but guide dogs cannot go into some sections as it is unsuitable for them; call for more information

**Cost:** £7.25 adults; £6.75 seniors and students; £6.25 children 3–16 years (under threes free)

**Website:** [www.butterflyfarm.co.uk/attraction](http://www.butterflyfarm.co.uk/attraction)

### Holy Trinity Church 2

Holy Trinity is the church where William Shakespeare was baptised, where he worshipped and where he is buried. This church was begun in 1210 and is delighted to welcome the thousands of visitors who come each year to view Shakespeare's final resting place.

**Open:** Monday–Saturday 8.30am–6.00pm

**Notes:** step-free access at the South extension. A disabled toilet is 200m away in the Theatre Gardens (requires RADAR key).

**Cost:** free. But a donation of £3 (seniors/students £2) is requested from people who want to visit Shakespeare's grave

**Website:** [www.stratford-upon-avon.org](http://www.stratford-upon-avon.org)

## Other

### Ettington Meeting House 2

One of the smallest and the oldest continuously running meeting houses will be open for a Friendly welcome. This is too small a meeting house for a coach tour (no space for a coach to park) but if Friends want to travel together in a car they would be very welcome. Ettington Friends have a beautiful Grade II listed meeting house, gardens, a Quakerly self-guided walk and a film that they would be delighted to share.

**Open:** 1.00pm–4.00pm, Wednesday 2 August

**Notes:** wheelchair users welcome. Limited access to a disabled toilet

**Cost:** free

# Birmingham

## Bull Street Friends Meeting House 1

The Priory Rooms welcomes Friends who want to pop in and say hello. It is a conference venue but Friends will be welcome to have a look round the rooms that are not in use on the day.

Open: 9.00am–9.00pm Tuesday to Friday,  
9.00am–5.00pm Monday and Saturday

Notes: wheelchair access

Cost: free

Website: [www.theprioryrooms.co.uk](http://www.theprioryrooms.co.uk)

## Bournville 1

Take the opportunity to visit Bournville village. Follow the downloadable guide (which starts at Woodbrooke) or explore by yourselves.

Open: anytime

Website: <http://1624country.org.uk/leaflets/5Cadburyleafletdec09.pdf>

## Quaker walking trail 1

Two fascinating walks to explore the history of Quakerism in Birmingham. Download below.

Duration: first walk 35mins, second 1 hour 15

Website: <http://624country.org.uk/leaflets.htm>

## Back to Backs 1

A carefully restored, atmospheric 19th-century courtyard of working people's houses. Visits are by guided tours only. **Booking is essential.** Please call the booking line on 0121 666 7671.

Duration: 1hr 15 minutes

Notes: accessible (though there is a slightly different tour if you cannot get up stairs). Visitors cannot attend without a pre-booked ticket.

Cost: £8.00 ages 13+; £5.10 ages 5–12

Website: [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/birmingham-back-to-backs](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/birmingham-back-to-backs)

## Birmingham Botanical Gardens and Glasshouses 1

The Birmingham Botanical Gardens offers something for everyone, from tropical rainforest to arid desert, beautiful gardens, playground, tearoom and a gift shop.

Open: 10.00am–6.00pm weekdays, 10.00am–7.00pm weekends

Notes: wheelchair accessible

Cost: £7.50 adult; £5.25 concessions (children over 5, senior citizens, students with student cards, people with disabilities and accompanying adults); £22.00 family; free for children under 5.

Website: [www.birminghambotanicalgardens.org.uk](http://www.birminghambotanicalgardens.org.uk)

## Winterbourne House and Gardens 1

Experience an Edwardian Arts & Crafts house and botanic gardens, nestled in a leafy corner of Birmingham.

Open: 10.00am–5.30pm weekdays, 11.00am–5.30pm weekends

Notes: partially wheelchair accessible, further details on the website

Cost: £6.00 adult; £5.00 concessions (children over 5, adults over 65 and students with student cards); £18.00 family

Website: [www.winterbourne.org.uk](http://www.winterbourne.org.uk)

## Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery 1

A world class museum in the heart of Birmingham city centre.

Open: Monday–Thursday 10.00am–5.00pm, Friday 10.30am–5.00pm, Saturday and Sunday 10.00am–5.00pm

Notes: wheelchair accessible with a comprehensive access statement on the website

Cost: free entry (not including special exhibitions)

Website: [www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/bmag](http://www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/bmag)



# Prebooked\*

## In and around Coventry

### Historic Coventry Guided Walk 4

A fascinating guided walk, around historic Coventry, by Professor Eleanor Nesbitt. Friends will meet in Coventry city centre; no coach will be provided.

Duration: 2.00pm–4.00pm, Wednesday 2 August

Notes: wheelchair users welcome. The route will involve walking and standing for most of the tour. Not appropriate for young children

Cost: free

### Coventry faith visits 3

Led by a member of the Quaker Council for Christian and Interfaith Relations; Friends will visit four places of worship in the city. A mosque, a Hindu temple, a Sikh gurdwara and a Greek Orthodox church.

Duration: 9.30am–4.30pm

Notes: disabled accessible, but a coach will be used so please let us know if you have access needs. No shorts, short sleeves or low necklines. Friends will need to remove their shoes at three venues. Women will need to cover their heads at two venues, men at one. Children over the age of eight welcome. Please bring at least £1 donation for the collection box of every venue (£4 total).

A coach will bring Friends from Warwick University to the first venue, Friends will walk between three of the venues and a coach will pick them up and bring them to the fourth

Cost: £5.50

### Tour of Coventry Cathedral 4

An enthusiastic guide will take you on a tour of Coventry Cathedral. A story of hard-won reconciliation, the guide will explore the history of the ruins, the blitz and the building of the new Cathedral.

Duration: 11.00am–noon

Notes: some sections of the Cathedral can only be accessed through steps so it is only partially wheelchair accessible. Accessible toilets are available

Cost: £8.00

Website: [www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/wpsite](http://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/wpsite)

### Tour of Ryton Organic Garden 3

Ryton Organic Gardens is the perfect destination for anyone interested in seeing the principles and practices of organic gardening. The inspirational demonstration gardens provide the perfect chance for visitors to learn more about all aspects of organic growing.

Duration: Wednesday 1.00pm–4.00pm

Notes: disabled accessible, however a coach will be used so please let us know if you have access needs.

Cost: £13.00 adults; £11.15 children

Website: [www.gardenorganic.org.uk/ryton](http://www.gardenorganic.org.uk/ryton)

\*booking essential



### Coventry migrant women's house 3

This is a home for a small number of migrant women. It has an overgrown four-metre long privet boundary hedge. Friends are asked if they can offer service to remove this hedge and replace it with a low fence. There are a number of further practical jobs if this is completed quickly.

Duration: 10.00am–4.30pm

Notes: Friends are going to be expected to do labour intensive work. Refreshments and lunch provided. Friends will travel by minibus. Please wear practical work clothes

Cost: £5.50

### Carriers of Hope 3

Ministry through action. Carriers of Hope is a charity that collects food and resources and gives them away to families in need, particularly asylum seekers and refugees. Friends are asked to give time to sort donations for distribution and prepare baby boxes for new mothers. This will include homemade craft items.

Duration: 10.00am–4.30pm

Notes: light refreshments provided but bring your own lunch. Best for teens and adult Friends. Work room may be upstairs. Accessible toilet. Friends will travel by minibus

Cost: £5.50

## In and around Warwick

### Warwick Castle 3

At Warwick Castle you'll be surrounded by jaw-dropping history, magic, myth and adventure!

Duration: 9.30am–4.30pm

Notes: limited accessibility as this is a medieval fortress. A coach will be used so please let us know if you have access needs. These tickets are for the castle only (dungeon not included)

Cost: £17.02 adults; £15.58 concessions (ages 2–11 and 60+); £5.50 children under two

Website: [www.warwick-castle.com](http://www.warwick-castle.com)

### Canalside community food 3

This is a farm/community-supported agricultural scheme growing organic fruit and vegetables. Friends are asked if they can offer service to work in the gardens and polytunnels under the supervision of one of the growers. The day will include a tour of the gardens. Hot drinks will be available but please bring your own packed lunch.

Duration: 10.00am–3.00pm

Notes: the work will include bending and will require some level of agility. It will be suitable for children aged 7+ with adult supervision but please call to discuss if you wish to bring younger children. The fields are windy and exposed so warm and weatherproof clothes you do not mind getting dirty are necessary

Cost: £5.50

Website: [www.canalsidecommunityfood.org.uk](http://www.canalsidecommunityfood.org.uk)

### Hatton locks 3

A fantastic family half-day activity by a peaceful canal. The day includes a locks demonstration, water safety activity and guided walk. Run by Friends who are Canal River Trust Explorer Volunteers in a fascinating setting, this is an opportunity not to miss!

Duration: 9.30am–12.30pm or 1.30pm–4.30pm

Notes: fully accessible

Cost: £5.50

Website: <https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/places-to-visit/36-hatton-locks>

## In and around Stratford

### Shakespeare's Birthplace Trust – Town Houses Pass 3

Three sites significant to the Shakespeare story: Shakespeare's birthplace (1 hour), the house where William was born and grew up; Hall's Croft with medicinal herb garden (1 hour), home of Shakespeare's daughter Susanna and her physician husband; Shakespeare's New Place (1 hour), a beautiful garden set with art works on the site of Shakespeare's house.

Duration: 9.30am–5.30pm, booking essential (including an hour's travel either way)

Notes: partial disability access. Wheelchair users cannot access the first floors. Please call for more information. You are going under a group ticket and will have to stay together to view all of the buildings

Cost: £19.68 adults; £18.91 concessions (ages 60+, students in full time education and visitors with disabilities); £15 children aged 3–17; £5.50 children under 3.

Website: [www.shakespeare.org.uk](http://www.shakespeare.org.uk)

## In and around Birmingham

### Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery 3

A world class museum in the heart of Birmingham city centre.

Duration: 9.30am–5.30pm (including an hour's travel either way). Booking is essential

Notes: wheelchair accessible with a comprehensive access statement on the museum website

Cost: £5.50 (not including special exhibitions)

Website: [www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/bmag](http://www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/bmag)

### Northfield Eco Centre – Forest School 3

A fun all-day forest school activity for children aged 5–11 and their care givers in a community garden.

Duration: 11.00am–5.30pm (including an hour's travel either way)

Notes: partial access for wheelchair users, please call for more information. Accessible to children with differing learning needs. Please wear sensible clothes, long sleeves and trousers, sensible footwear and bring wet weather clothing. Please bring a packed lunch

Cost: £15.50 first child; £10.50 siblings; £5.50 accompanying adults

Website: [www.northfieldecocentre.com](http://www.northfieldecocentre.com)

### Northfield Eco Centre – gardening project 3

Work on a gardening project in a community garden. Physical, outside activity for adults only.

Duration: 11.00am–5.30pm (including travel)

Notes: access for wheelchair users, please call for more information. Please wear sensible clothes, long sleeves and trousers, sensible footwear and bring wet weather clothing. Please bring a packed lunch.

Cost: £10.50

Website: [www.northfieldecocentre.com](http://www.northfieldecocentre.com)

### Northfield Eco Centre – family cycle ride 3

Organised family cycle ride with pond dipping

Duration: 11.00am–5.30pm (including travel)

Notes: no adapted bikes. Please could people with any other disabilities contact us to discuss suitability. Please wear sensible clothes, long sleeves and trousers, sensible footwear and bring wet weather clothing. Please bring a packed lunch. Helmets will be provided. You will be asked for children's measurements.

Cost: £10.50 adults; £5.50 children aged 4–17

Website: [www.northfieldecocentre.com](http://www.northfieldecocentre.com)

## Northfield Eco Centre – greening your home, greening your meeting house 3

Old home super home: how to make your own home more sustainable/low carbon.

Greening your meeting house: a practical session with an assessment of a local meeting house looking at the steps to take to reduce the carbon footprint

**Duration:** 11.00am–5.30pm (including travel)

**Notes:** disabled accessible, please call for more information. Please bring a packed lunch.

**Cost:** £10.50 (adults only)

**Website:** [www.northfieldecocentre.com](http://www.northfieldecocentre.com)

## Wednesday at Woodbrooke 3

Taster courses to give an idea of Woodbrooke's approach to learning. Friends can attend workshops, relax in the grounds, or stroll around Bournville. Lunch, teas and coffees all provided. Courses include: 'The complete history of Quakerism and more in under an hour'; 'So what's a Quaker then? How we talk about our faith to others'; 'Silence, stillness and waiting: exploring worship in the manner of friends'; 'Book of Revelation'; 'Jesus, a Quaker approach'; 'Taize singing'; 'Community games'; there will also be drop-in activities.

**Duration:** 9.30am–5.30pm (including travel)

**Notes:** disabled accessible – call for more info. Some courses not suitable for children (or 11+ only). Children must be accompanied by an adult

**Cost:** £5.50

**Website:** [www.woodbrooke.org.uk](http://www.woodbrooke.org.uk)

## Further afield

### In Fox's footsteps 3

Hartshill Meeting invites Friends on a coach tour of sites of historical Quakerly interest. Following George Fox's journal the tour will visit Fenny Drayton, Mancetter, Atherstone, Hartshill Hayes and Market Bosworth. The coach tour will include readings from George Fox's journal by Quakers dressed in traditional costumes.

**Duration:** 10.00am–4.00pm (including travel)

**Notes:** Wheelchair accessible. Strong shoes suggested. Lunch will be provided.

**Cost:** £11.00 adults; £8.50 children

## Sutton Coldfield 3

Sutton Coldfield Meeting invites Friends to visit Sutton Park, a 2,400-acre nature reserve. It is a Site of Special Scientific Interest and has open heathland, lakes, wetlands and marshes. Cattle and wild ponies graze on the land. The Meeting also welcomes everyone for afternoon tea.

**Duration:** 10.00am–5.30pm (including travel)

**Notes:** wheelchair accessible. Strong shoes suggested as there will be walking

**Cost:** £5.50

## National Memorial Arboretum 3

Optional activities include meeting for worship at the Quaker Service Memorial, a talk on George Fox and Litchfield walks, tours and more.

**Duration:** 10.00am–5.30pm (including travel)

**Notes:** Strong shoes suggested as there will be walking

**Cost:** £5.50 plus Remembrance Centre costs

**Website:** [www.qsmt.org.uk](http://www.qsmt.org.uk)

## Baddesley Clinton – National Trust 3

Baddesley Clinton is a medieval moated manor house. At one time an artists' retreat, at another a haven for the persecuted, it has beautiful grounds nestled in the Forest of Arden.

**Duration:** 10.30am–3.30pm (including travel)

**Notes:** wheelchair accessible

**Cost:** £15.00 adults; £10.95 children

**Website:** [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/baddesley-clinton](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/baddesley-clinton)

### Drayton Manor theme park 3

Drayton Manor theme park is home to a variety of exciting attractions with rollercoasters, zoo and Thomas the Tank Engine Land.

**Duration:** 9.30am–5.30pm (including travel)

**Notes:** mostly accessible – some rides are not

**Cost:** £30.50 adults; £25.50 children aged 4–11; £24.50 concessions (60+ and people with disabilities); £12.50 children aged 2–3; £5.50 children aged 1–2; free for children under one year old

**Website:** [www.draytonmanor.co.uk](http://www.draytonmanor.co.uk)

### A wildlife walk 3

A delightful walk from the university through the Coventry countryside, led by a local Friend. We hope that this will be along the decommissioned railway branch line from Berkswell to Kenilworth Junction, where a coach will be waiting to take walkers back to the university. This route is currently under maintenance. If it is still not available at the time of YMG, some other, equally delightful route will be taken instead.

The railway line was opened in 1884. It effectively provided a short cut avoiding Coventry for freight trains heading south. It was closed in the 1960s and left to itself; the old railway became a wildlife corridor. Hawthorn, birch and other plants quickly took hold and softened the edges, animals and birds found cover for dens and nests.

**Duration:** The walk will be 6–8 miles long

**Notes:** no public toilets on the Greenway. Bring a packed lunch. Wear sensible shoes and clothes suitable for walking. A coach will take you home

**Cost:** £5.50

### Black Country Living Museum and Stourbridge Meeting House 3

Visit to the wonderful Black Country Living Museum and then on to Stourbridge Meeting House (built in 1689) for a friendly welcome and tea and coffee.

The story of the Black Country is distinctive because of the scale, drama, intensity and multiplicity of the industrial might that was unleashed. It first emerged in the 1830s, creating the first industrial landscape anywhere in the world. The Black Country Living Museum is one of the finest and largest open-air museums in Britain. With a village and charismatic residents to chat with, trams to ride, games to play, things being made and stories to hear.

**Duration:** 9.30am–5.30pm (including travel)

**Notes:** disabled accessible. Wear sensible shoes and clothes suitable for walking

**Cost:** £17.50 adults; £12.45 children aged 5–16; £15.50 concessions (60+ years, full time students with ID, unwaged with evidence for previous six months); £5.50 children under 5 years and essential carers to people with a disability also visiting

**Website:** [www.bclm.co.uk](http://www.bclm.co.uk)

### Ackers Outdoor Pursuit Centre – canoeing and kayaking half day activity 3

A mixed ability canoeing and kayaking half day.

**Duration:** 9.30am–12.30pm (including travel)

**Notes:** this activity is not fully accessible. Please bring warm, practical clothes

**Cost:** £19.00 adults, £14.50 children aged 8–18 years (under 8s cannot take part)

**Website:** [www.ackers-adventure.co.uk](http://www.ackers-adventure.co.uk)

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