

## Grosvenor Garden Centre, Armistice Day - 11th November 2018

About twenty-six riders gathered on what was a wet Sunday morning at the bus stop opposite the **Eureka**. Our leader **Glenn** advised that he had changed the route owing to lots of debris on the road through **Puddington** and on to **Burton** - also the pathway along the **Dee** was covered in sheep muck, so he decided we would proceed **Red Dragon Bridge** then along the **Greenway** to **Hawarden Bridge** where we would proceed along the **River Dee path** as intended.



By the time we left the weather had changed and we had a very pleasant day with a faster route. **Glenn** led **Number 1 Group** and **Helen** led the **Number 2 Group**.



Number 2 group can be seen arriving at **Saltney Ferry**, while some mechanical repairs were carried out, it was here that we stood silently to observe the **2-minute silence** in memory of those who had fallen in **WW1**.

Afterwards we proceeded along the **Greenway**, past the **Chester Race Course** to the **Groves** where we had a comfort stop.



We **WALKED** over the **Grosvenor Foot Bridge** and then along the **Roman Road to Eccleston Village**, turned right under the bridge and enjoyed the beautiful view that you suddenly see.



Grosvenor Garden Centre was just a short distance along the main road. Glenn had reserved tables for us which was just as well, as the place was very busy.

The return home was along the **Long Mile to Poulton, Dodleston**, the birth place of **Sir Thomas Egerton** who rose to importance during the later years of **Queen Elizabeth 1st**. He could have been buried in either **St. Paul's or Westminster Abbey**, but chose **St. Mary's Church, Dodleston**.

When we arrived back at **Saltney Ferry** the groups divided and went different ways back to the **Eureka**.

A very interesting and enjoyable ride with our thanks to **Glenn, Helen, and Janet**.

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