

# British Ironworks Centre, Oswestry

## 14th March 2018



### From Chris L...

"The Wednesday Riders were off to the **British Ironworks** via various starting points yesterday, led by **Chris Smith**. The main group met at **Cleopatra's in Holt**. There were about fifteen of us going through a picturesque **Bangor-on-Dee** and some very wet and muddy lanes - fortunately very quiet. On arrival there was another group led by **Julian and Ruth** from **Overton** as well as several others by car. **British Ironworks** appeared an interesting spot - a sort of metallic safari park with sculptures of giraffes, gorillas, lions etc. Service in the café was a tad slow and quality a bit suspect! **Chris** led the main group back but due to late service I was with **Andy B** who had led a similar distance but less arduous route for



**Cleopatra's** on return) The weather started out sunny but it was mostly a dull but dry day of fifty miles".

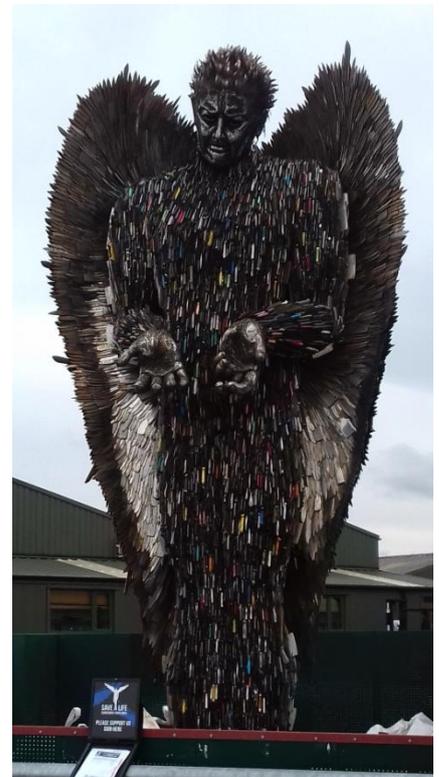
seven of us; this did involved him in a pinched tyre after hitting a stone (changed in 5 mins). We got back just before **Chris's group** (they had coffee in



### From Chris S...

Chris also included some photos on his Facebook posting. I have to agree the food service was a little slow, but was surprised to read that Chris thought the quality was suspect - I thought it was fine, I would be

interested to hear other people's feedback on the suitability of this venue.



I had a few ( and I do mean just a few) minor grumbles from people about the bad surfaces and mud on the roads. The ride did follow several days of heavy rain and I did warn about this in last week's email "I have to give some warnings about the ride. .... The surfaces are generally good tarmac but there are some dreadful sections, ....

"Unconnected with this ( I hope) there were two riders who fell off during the ride - neither seriously injured and one of these was on a route of his own on his way back to his car. I should say neither of these people were amongst those who complained.

I have a [Strava Flyby](#) here to show the progress of the three groups which is quite amusing I think. Thanks to those who posted their rides and made this possible.

**Text Chris Smith and Chris Lamb**

**Photos by Chris Lamb**