

# Walk Mill Café - 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018

## Brian J's Ride to Walk Mill

A busy Eureka saw over thirty riders congregating ready for the off on a mild (14deg) but dull morning. Brian split us in to three groups with Janet leading a popular fast group with John F back-marking, (no space for me), Dave W taking another ten of us and Brian bringing up the final group. There was another group of four who went with Brian L to Lilly's at Aldford.



The Eureka



The ride was fairly uneventful until one of our riders got their front wheel in some muddy leaves after crossing one of the major roads on the 5117 and came off. No injuries - but the third group following quite close decided to take the opportunity to barge past whilst we sorted ourselves out - must've been the wrong kind of leaves! We soon got past them again and only stopped a couple of times to divest of thermal clothing as it was proving much warmer than expected - what made me think I could do without fingerless gloves for the next few

months! Twenty miles outward.



By the time we arrived at Walk Mill the sun was out and we joined the queue to order; the first group were being served by then - as was Brian J's group so a good catch up - Bob and Jill were also there having cycled from Christleton. The

final group arrived as the first group was leaving giving the staff at least a bit of a breather but I'm sure the business generated will have smoothed any doubts. Food and drink was good as usual, service as well as can be expected from such a small kitchen. I counted two couples when everyone else was a cyclist!



**Walk Mill Wheel**



**On to Saughall**

The route back was fairly direct - about thirteen miles, a sweetie stop - Jellybaby Sue was in the first group - but they were very welcome (thanks **Sue W**), back to **Eureka** for a cuppa.

Thanks Brian for a great ride.

**Text and photos by Chris L**