

WALKERS ARE WELCOME ANNUAL REPORT 2010

Town: ...**CORBY**.....

To maintain your status as a Walkers are Welcome town, please send this report by email to the WaW Secretary andrew@andrewbibby.com by 31 March 2010.

1. Please use the space below to summarise the main activities you have undertaken in 2009 to ensure that your town/village continues to be one where walkers are welcome. *Please relate what you write to the six WaW criteria.*

As we are very new members, it is suggested that the application we supplied should provide detailed answers to the above question. However, we will be willing to provide the information again if required.

2. If you have undertaken any initiatives which you feel are particularly innovative and which might be of interest to other Walkers are Welcome towns/villages, please give details below.

We again refer you to the detailed application supplied. However, we are particularly proud of our Around Corby Walking Festival to be held this year on May 1st, 2nd & 3rd with 34 walks of varying lengths and themes. Information can be found on www.aroundcorby.co.uk.

3. What funding have you been able to obtain? Have you any evidence of ways in which WaW status is helping your community, your local economy?

Sourcing funding has been exceptionally difficult. The current financial climate had made it doubly difficult and the local authority has little in its budget for such matters.

We made application to the Lottery Fund within which was included the festival. Consequently, we were rejected as the festival had been held previously and we had missed the fact that the fund will only consider new projects.

We have approached a number of local commercial organisations who, we hope, may provide some funding but we await confirmation.

With respect to whether the status is helping our community or local economy, we haven't been a member for long enough.

4. The Walkers are Welcome principle is a 'bottom-up' one, operating on the basis of mutual support and activity. What contributions are you making

towards developing the network, nationally and/or regionally? (eg: attendance at conference, mentoring other towns)

Once again, it is early days. Attendance at the conference is a possibility but depends currently on other arrangements as I only return from holiday the previous day.

We shall be pleased to act as a mentor/advisor to another community should it be required but feel that the experience we will gain as members of the network will, during 2010, put us in a better position to provide meaningful information and advice.

Declaration

We wish to apply for continuation of our status as a Walkers are Welcome town/village. We have sent a cheque for our annual membership to the Walkers are Welcome treasurer.

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24.02.10

Organisation: C2C Striders Around Corby

Note: Annual returns will normally be posted on the WaW website, so that others are aware of each town's achievements. Please advise us if for any reason you would rather that this form was not made public.