

Milton Keynes Tour

Leader Martin Lee

On Saturday 1st to Monday 3rd July 2023

This tour is predominantly a local ride to Milton Keynes. 47 miles on Saturday to MK, then a ride of 40 miles in and around Milton Keynes on Sunday, with a steak or vegetarian option BBQ in the evening on Sunday, this would be optional. Then 47 miles ride back to Coventry on Monday.

This tour is suitable for newer and experienced riders, given the easier terrain, road bikes will be fine, and there is flexibility of mileage built in.

For riders not wishing to ride the entire route to and from Milton Keynes, there are options: train to MK or Northampton station with bike, and 20 mile cycle ride to MK or travel down by car with bike. Permutations of these options could mean that riders could decide on the miles they wish to do. (Travel down by train, do ride Sunday and ride back to Coventry, or travel back by train partway and shorter ride on Monday).

Vicky Palethorpe will be assisting with train and shorter cycle routes for newer riders.

The BBQ on Sunday evening would be at my holiday home at Cosgrove Park (not far from accommodation) on Sunday evening. I will need to look at the cost and pass on to participants.

Riders will need to book their own accommodation, from the list below.

Accommodation & Travel

The hotels are in the north west of Milton Keynes with the nearest rail station served by local trains from Coventry, is Wolverton. The station is about 2 miles on a direct road to Stony Stratford and Old Stratford for those riders wanting to use trains and cycling to accommodation.

The hotels are all within half a mile of the meet up point for rides and for those riding to and from Milton Keynes the meeting point will be the finish and start of these rides, respectfully.

The Cock Hotel, Stony Stratford, MK11 1AH. Phone 01908 567733

The Bull Hotel, Stony Stratford, MK11 1AQ. Phone 01908 567104

These two hotels are old coaching hotels on the high street of Stony Stratford.

With Stony Stratford being 50 miles north of London on the Old Watling Street (A5), this was the first stop-over in coaching days. The Cock Inn, along with the Bull Inn, gave rise to the saying cock and bull story as both inns would tell fantastical stories about each other, to try to get the trade from the coaching travellers.

Travelodge, Old Stratford, MK19 6AQ Phone 08719846001.

Just off the large roundabout in the north of Old Stratford. Good option for room-sharing.

The Swan, Old Stratford, MK19 6AE, Phone 01908 978680

On Old Watling Street, central in Old Stratford at the traffic lights.

If you are interested in this tour, and before booking accommodation, please alert Martin martinjacklee@yahoo.co.uk



Central Milton Keynes



Willen Lake



Stony Stratford



The Pagoda Milton Keynes