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**10.** Turn right up Etnam Street past the historic **Chequers Inn** until you come to School Lane on your right. Opposite is Leominster Museum, a place full of treasures and memories.

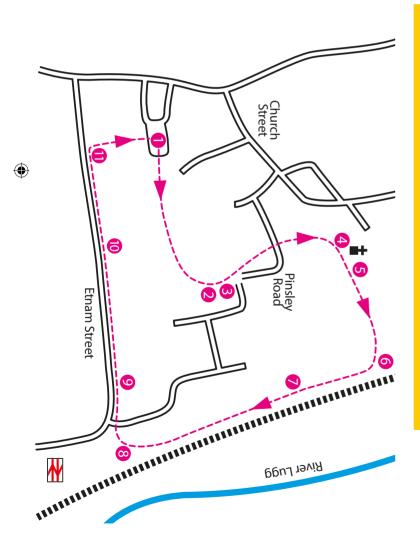
**11.** Turn right up School Lane into Corn Square. Congratulations! Aida's Amble is complete.

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## **Aida's Accessible Amble**



1 Mile flat, all within town.
Flat, mixed path surfaces, no stiles.
Start at the Tourist Information Centre.
OS Map: Explorer 202



A circular walk originally created in 2014 by Aida Kiledjian and Dennis Downey and updated by Leominster Walkers are Welcome in 2022.

Start outside the **Tourist Information Centre** in Corn Square, Leominster.

1. From Corn Square take the path beside Lloyds Bank to the Grange, a large open grassy space edged with trees and surrounded by a path.

The Grange keeps its 12th century name as part of the Priory's home farm and its huge granary. You can read more on the information boards on the left.



2. Follow the path around The Grange, go left where the path splits. The building on your right is Grange Court.

In 1633 Grange Court began life as the market

house/town hall at the top of Broad Street. Designed and built by John Abel, later named by Charles I as 'the King's Carpenter'. It was moved to the Grange and rebuilt in the 1850s as a private house. Note the celebrated carvings on the house, hallmarks of John Abel's work. Grange Court was restored in 2011 and is now a community asset for the people of Leominster.



3. Continue along the path to meet the sculpture of Mr Granger who contributed to Leominster in Bloom's successful Gold Award in 2007.

On the right there is a plaque on the Verdun Oak tree providing a direct link to the World War 1.



4. Cross the road, enter the Priory churchyard.
Continue ahead to the grand Priory Church. Look around inside the

church. On leaving the church turn right. Find more information on the board by the main church gates.

Go through the main church gates, turn right and follow the churchyard wall until you come to the Picnic site sign on your left.



**5.** Turn left and go through the gate into the Pinsley Mead picnic area. Follow the path, past the **Old Priory** building on your right and the **River Kenwater** on your left.

The Old Priory, part of which dates from the 12c, currently houses the Youth Hostel and some community organisations. For more information about the Old Priory, see the information board as you enter Pinsley Mead.

**6.** At the end of the open space on your left, learn more about this area, the river and the old route of the **Pinsley Brook** on a second information board.



7. Follow the path turning right into the Millenium Green, a local initiative supported by the Herefordshire Wildlife Trust to improve biodiversity and understanding of this amazing place.

Go past the standing stones, and the Walenty Pytel kingfisher sculpture over the gate on the right. Keep left through the **Community Orchard** with cooking, eating and cider apple trees. In the new year the Wassail ceremony celebrates past and future apple crops.

- **8.** At the end of the orchard go through a gate and continue alongside the railway line. Go past the site of the old Pinsley Mill (or Tucke Mill) now a housing site, until you come to the **White Lion Inn.**
- **9. With care,** go right across the carpark, past the White Lion pub and out on to Etnam Street.