DGAG 2020 Residential Field trip to the West Midlands Friday 11th – Monday`14th September Proposed Programme

Friday 11th September- afternoon

An opportunity to visit quarries on the northern Malverns on the way up. There are several quarries close together that show a variety of igneous and metamorphic rocks. Tank quarry looks the most promising. A DIY exploration using the guide book.

<u>Saturday 12th September</u>, visiting various locations in the Black Country Geopark led by Graham Worton.

Geo site 10.

A boat trip into Dudley Canal Tunnel and the Singing Cavern DY145Q, Ref GR 950912

Geosite 39.

Rowley Hills B691SF GR 967887 Lunch

Geosite 23.

Blue rock quarry B691HQ GR SO 977891

Geosite 5.

Barrow Hill and Tansey Green claypit (Dudley Volcano) DY54JH GR SO 915894

Sunday 13th September.

Visiting further Black Country locations. We have secured the leadership of a local GA member , Andrew Harrison to guide us around the exposures.

Here are some suggestions! We will follow his advice.

Geosite 8 - Sedgley Beacon quarries DY31NA GR SO923942

Geosite 7 - Cotwall End Nature reserve DY33YH GR SO 912965

Geosite 17 - Castle Hill, Dudley DY14SQ GR SO948906

Geosite 12 -Bumble Hole and Warren Hill (old industrial area)
DY29HS GR SO953880

There are other possibilities, some showing Triassic exposures. The final programme can be decided on the day.

Geosite 3 Barr Beacon and Pinfold Lane quarries W590QS GR SO 061970

Geosite 28 Hay Head quarry W590Q6 GR SO 051 990

Geosite 35 Barnford Hill Park B688RA GR SO997874

Geosite 36 Buckpool & The Ley local nature reserve DY53TN GR SO 901870

Geosite 40 Coombswood Valley B628BF GR 972852

Mon 4th May

Dudley Museum (opens at 10am)

Visit to Wrens Nest (for those who did not go a couple of years ago) or other sites taken from the Geopark Guide are possibilities. One could be Barr Beacon as it is some way from the other sites. I have attached the full Geosite Guide.

Suggested accommodation
Travel Lodge. Dudley Town Centre. DY14SQ

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