

White Peak Walk. September 2022

It is with much regret that we have as a committee decided to have no further walks. After thirty + years of dedicated service and hard work Peter and Al have decided to retire and I have not the energy or enthusiasm to continue. There have been several offers of help but we have all four agreed that after 36 years the WPW has perhaps run its time.

The Walk was started in 1986 to raise money for the Church, it proved popular growing each year to the present level, it was based on the fact that with a little effort and much encouragement most people could walk 26 miles. Its great success has been due to the support from many of you in the village who have helped over the years so our thanks to you. We get many letters from walkers saying how much they have enjoyed the whole day especially the pie and peas at the end. A walker from Elton did it each year for 30 years he met his wife on the Walk and a year or two later they brought their baby to it, there are many other similar stories to tell, I think it has been part of many walkers calendar for a number of years.

Sadly people will miss their trip out to the Peak District on the second weekend in July each year but we hope they understand the reasons for closure. During the years it has raised about £75,000 most of which has gone to village causes plus a few associated charities the Air Ambulance, Kinder Mountain Rescue, RAYNET (both helpers) and Helens Trust, so it has all been worthwhile for all of us.

Huge thanks again to everyone who has helped over the years, sadly you will not be getting pie and peas next year but I can assure you it is with great regret and with some sadness that we have come to this decision.

Colin , Peter , Al and Steve.