May 2022 - Crick

Northamptonshire Shamblers met for their May walk in the historic village of Crick. Crick gets a mention in the Domesday Book and its proximity to the Watford Gap. Its confluence of trade routes has meant it has been a bustling village down through the years. This is attested by the fact it contains 47 Grade II listed buildings, whilst its Church is listed Grade I.



The Leicester branch of the Grand Union Canal skirts the village and passes through the Crick tunnel, a mere 1,528 yards in length.





Our walk in bright morning sunshine, led by Finbarr, took us around Cracks Hill, reputed to have been a look out post for a nearby Roman settlement, and onto the neighbouring village of Yelvertoft.

Here our walk followed an ancient Port Way known as Salters Way. On meeting the canal, we stopped for a break and admired a family of swans and cygnets paddling away in the canal.



We then followed the canal tow path back to Crick. Here many of our group enjoyed lunch, refreshments and pleasant conversation in The Red Lion.

