

Sixteen of us took part in the first ride from Trencherfield following our temporary move from Three Sisters. The route took us along the canal to Seven Stars Bridge then out through Springfield, Beech Hill, along the edge of Gidlow Cemetery and up to Standish. We then dropped down to Bradley Village before heading for the climb up to Red Rock to take the track through Arley Golf Course leading up to Little Scotland. The route continued through Haigh, Aspull and Hindley before we left Liverpool Road to cross Amberswood and make our way over to rejoin the canal at Ince to drop back to our starting point. We covered an incident-free 17½ miles that included a few decent climbs and not too many puddles – for a change!