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Railway Heritage Walk: “*Tewkesbury’s Two Forgotten Railways*”

with **John Dixon**, *President of Tewkesbury Historical Society*

Monday 24th May 2021 **at 6.30 pm**

The walk is free to members of GLHA member groups. There will be a maximum of 24 places. Places must be booked through Vicki Walker. Email: walkeravsj@aol.com

Meet after 6.15 pm for a prompt start at 6.30 pm in the Car Park of **Morrison’s Supermarket, Barton Rd, Tewkesbury GL20 5QG**. This is approached by

1. From the east [Worcester/Cheltenham] by turning off the M5 at Junction 9 and following the signs to Tewkesbury on the A438. After a mile, keep going after the traffic lights on the bypass **Jubilee Way** and then turn right at the next traffic lights into the store
2. From the south [Gloucester] via the A38 and take the bypass to its junction with the A438. Then turn left and first right into the store.

The car park is well signed but park in the far right hand corner. [The supermarket has toilets and a café]

Walk Details

This will be a **two** hour walk at a gentle pace following the former railway lines:

1. the 1840 branch line from Ashchurch to the Town Quay;
2. return via the 1864 Malvern extension to the meeting of the two lines

The walk will be led by John Dixon. The total distance will be about 2½ miles: the first half is all on tarmac but the return is via rough tracks with the possibility of nettles. The track is mainly on the level. Boots and appropriate clothing are advised.

The leader has written an eponymous book which can be studied at **The Heritage Hub** or bought from **Alison’s Bookshop** in Tewkesbury [01684-274600 - order early].

Optional: Government regulations permitting - at the end of the walk, you are welcome to join us for a drink at the **Canterbury Public House** – on the site of a former German POW Camp from WWII!

The GLHA is grateful to John Dixon for organising this walk on its behalf. If you require any more information, please contact him directly on 01684 294262; 07747727703 or email presidentths@gmail.com

To book a place email the GLHA secretary Vicki Walker
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