

Tyneham Ride

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A group of eight new and old members headed off from the Beechwood cafe near Winchester to visit Tyneham, the village in the Purbecks requisitioned by the military in the Second World War.

Not all were familiar with the drop off system but the newbies learnt quickly and the routing flowed smoothly as a result.

We took lunch at the Cowshed cafe, part of a craft centre near Lychett Minster where Mark, John and Anne joined us for the remainder of a sunny and warm day.



Tyneham is much as described, frozen in time having been abandoned in 1943 for military exercises in preparation for D Day. The church and schoolhouse have been preserved and provide historical information and context to the village. Much of the rest of the village is derelict.

It was obviously a quite remote location even in the first half of the 20th century but is well positioned for a pleasant walk to the nearby Worbarrow Bay.

