

## Selby and District u3a – Walking Group – 9<sup>th</sup> March

Despite the weather doom mongers predictions, seven members met at the Rockingham Arms in for a four- mile walk including the Battlefield route.

The Magnificent Seven? Set off in lightly falling snow on a very still and remarkably warm (relatively) morning on farm lanes and field crossings until joining the steepish incline from Cod Beck to join the recognised battlefield route but in the opposite direction to our last visit here last year.

We noticed that as we progressed the snowflakes increased in size and our clothing became quite white. For one of our members who had not covered this walk before, the display boards of the battlefield details were of interest having cleared the small build up of snow from them.

A notable feature of a burnt out Range Rover in a field adjacent to the path we agreed had not been there on our last visit. It really was a mess and appeared to have been brought from further up the field after being fired, to be removed for disposal at some time.

We only witnessed one couple walking a dog which must be quite unusual for this route. It's normally a very popular route, (must have been the weather!)

On arrival back at the Rockingham three of our number departed, the remainder went in for warming up, lunch and chat and were the only visitors until another couple arrived as we departed. A very quiet time for Towton this day.

To the other six, thank you for joining for a slightly unusual but interesting walk in gentle and not unpleasant weather. A rare situation in this area.

Kind regards

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