GREEN ROAD AND THE FORD (AREA 3)

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Green Road in Hall Green is a reasonably short path. It runs for half a mile from the main Stratford Road A34 to the Wake Green Rd traversing Sarehole Road and the River Cole passing close to Sarehole Mill.

It gives the appearance of being a country lane, which it was until Birmingham grew and Hall Green was built. It was previously called Green Lane.

Its claim to fame is the ford. A place of much excitement usually when it rains due to the number of stuck BMWs. Disappointingly, every time it rained heavily I headed down there but no cars were stuck. On one occasion a few walkers and I had a discussion with a car driver, who wanted to know if it was advisable to drive through. We did point out the large flashing signs saying deep water, do not cross and the marker post. I was tempted to say go for it so that I could get my photograph.

Also disappointingly, despite being part of the Shire Country Park, I found no Hobbits.

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