



## Things to Do or Passing Through

Whether you are staying just for one night on your way to your destination, or a few days taking in Staffordshire, Derbyshire or Shropshire, there are lots of things to do and see; below are just a few of the attractions/activities available; we can't possibly list everything that is available in the area, but hopefully it will give a good cross section of activities. If your pastime or interest isn't listed, do call us and we will endeavour to make it happen for you - don't forget to also take a look at our special packages for some inspiration! Of course whilst you are staying at Buttercross you will need refreshment; well you will be spoilt for choice with 4 public houses all serving meals and an Indian restaurant - all within staggering distance, so no need to worry about who will do the driving!

The Goats Head

[www.thegoatshead.co.uk](http://www.thegoatshead.co.uk)

The Crown Inn


[www.thecrownabbotsbromley.co.uk](http://www.thecrownabbotsbromley.co.uk)

The Coach and Horses

[www.coahandhorsesabbotsbromley.co.uk](http://www.coahandhorsesabbotsbromley.co.uk)

The Bagot Arms

Ruchi Indian Restaurant



Buttercross is an ideal location for walking as we are situated right on the **Staffordshire Way** footpath. From the B&B there are circular walks for all abilities - there are detailed maps available in each room for guests use. There are designated walks around Blithfield Reservoir that also take in bird hides if you fancy a bit of twitching! If you are going to be out for the day we can provide you with a packed lunch. Unfortunately, we can't arrange good weather; so if you do get wet or your boots are in need of drying out, we have a drying room available for your use, and if you fancy a long hot soak in the bath, the house bathroom is there just for you! If you are using Buttercross as a stopping point on the **Staffordshire Way** (or other longer walk) and you need your luggage dropped at your next point - talk to us about our porter service. Whatever you need to make your walking experience a good one, we aim to be as accommodating as possible.



We get lots of cyclists coming through the village and there are some fantastic off road routes at Cannock Chase for all abilities and Tissington Trail which is both walk and cycle friendly. There is a cycle store at Buttercross which also has a maintenance stand for any running repairs and as above, access to the drying room if you need it. You can cycle as a family down to the reservoir - we can provide you with a picnic so that you can make a day of it - contact us to discuss your requirements.

[www.visitcannockchase.com/](http://www.visitcannockchase.com/) [www.peakdistrictinformation.com/visits/tisstrail.php](http://www.peakdistrictinformation.com/visits/tisstrail.php)



Fishing is very popular in the area, with anglers coming from all over the world to take in the 11 miles of bank trout fishing at Blithfield Reservoir; or you can hire one of the 42 power boats and do some 'top of water' fly fishing. There are also designated pike fishing days. You can have either a day ticket or take annual subscription – whichever option you take you can finish off your day at Buttercross – where there is secure storage for your equipment and a drying room to get you ready for your next day – and don't forget the fishy tales about the one that got away at the local hostelryes...!

[www.blithfield.com](http://www.blithfield.com)

## Other Links

- Alton Towers [www.altontowers.com](http://www.altontowers.com)
- Ancient High House Stafford [www.staffordbc.gov.uk/the-ancient-high-house](http://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/the-ancient-high-house)
- Biddulph Grange Garden [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/biddulph-grange-garden/](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/biddulph-grange-garden/)
- Blithfield Reservoir [www.blithfield.com](http://www.blithfield.com)
- Cannock Chase (including Go Ape) [www.visitcannockchase.com/](http://www.visitcannockchase.com/)
- Chatsworth House [www.chatsworth.org/](http://www.chatsworth.org/)
- Churnet Valley Railway [www.churnet-valley-railway.co.uk](http://www.churnet-valley-railway.co.uk)
- Drayton Manor Park & Zoo [www.draytonmanor.co.uk](http://www.draytonmanor.co.uk)
- Erasmus Darwin House Lichfield [www.erasmusdarwin.org/](http://www.erasmusdarwin.org/)
- Freedom Brewery [www.freedombeer.com](http://www.freedombeer.com)
- Heights of Abraham [www.heightsofabraham.com/](http://www.heightsofabraham.com/)
- Ingestre Stables <http://freespace.virgin.net/ingestre.stables/>
- Kinver Edge & Rock Houses [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/kinver-edge/](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/kinver-edge/)
- National Memorial Arboretum [www.thenma.org.uk](http://www.thenma.org.uk)
- Shugborough Hall & Estate [www.shugborough.co.uk](http://www.shugborough.co.uk)
- Stafford Castle [www.staffordbc.gov.uk/live/cme50.htm](http://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/live/cme50.htm)
- Tatenhill Aviation [www.tatenhill.com/](http://www.tatenhill.com/)
- Tissington Trail [www.peakdistrictinformation.com/visits/tisstrail.php](http://www.peakdistrictinformation.com/visits/tisstrail.php)
- Trentham Gardens [www.trentham.co.uk](http://www.trentham.co.uk)
- Uttoxeter Race Course [www.utttoxeter-racecourse.co.uk](http://www.utttoxeter-racecourse.co.uk)

This is just a taster of what's on offer within easy access of Buttercross B&B you could also check out [www.enjoystaffordshire.com/](http://www.enjoystaffordshire.com/) [www.visitpeakdistrict.com/](http://www.visitpeakdistrict.com/)  
[www.shropshiretourism.co.uk/](http://www.shropshiretourism.co.uk/)

If you want to wander around quirky shops and craft centres:

- Lichfield Heart of the Country craft and artisan shops
- Curborough Antique & Craft Centre artisan shops
- Leek antique and artisan shops
- Ashbourne antiques and artisan shops
- Amerton Farm & Craft Centre artisan shops/farmyard/kiddie train
- Barton Marina artisan shops on the waterfront  
[www.bartonmarina.co.uk](http://www.bartonmarina.co.uk)