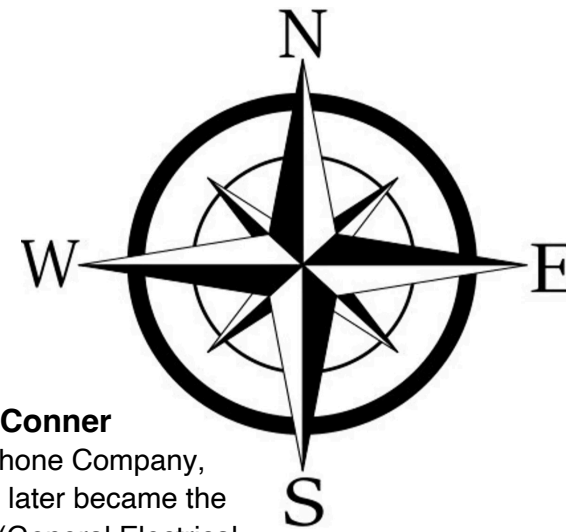


# Binley Road Cycle Path Tour



**Jabet's Ash Tree.** A marker for a historic boundary of the City and County. The current tree was planted in 1929 from a sapling taken from its predecessor, which in itself could have been an incarnation of the tree from hundreds of years ago. Jabet's Ash name could be a corruption of gibbet, or after one of the Norman Priors of Coventry, Jobert, or John Jabet who lived in Bishop Street in 1449.

## Coventry Music Museum

A Coventry based museum, art gallery, music records archive, 2 tone, and interactive media studio, located on Walsgrave Road, Ball Hill.

**Elm Bank.** Siegfried Bettmann's home. He was the founder of the Triumph Companies.

**Obelisk** memorial to the work done by conservators of the Common 1889 to 1928.

A lot of streets in this area are named after the "Trial by combat" event in the area: King Richard Street, Mowbray Street, Bolingbroke Road, Kingsway, Hugh Road after Duke Hugh Percy of Northumberland and other Dukes, Marlborough, Grafton, Lansdowne and Grantham.

**The Stocks** are a form of punishment, with the feet held (a pillory holds the head and hands). Thought to have been made first for a William Kimberley for being drunk and disorderly around 1850. The current stocks were made in the 1970's to replace the old rotting one.



**The Biggin Hall Hotel,** a Grade II listed public house, designed by Thomas Francis Tickner (1864-1924) a Coventry Architect who also designed the Coventry War Memorial cenotaph in the War Memorial Park.



## Peel Conner

Telephone Company, which later became the **GEC** (General Electrical Company), moved from Salford to Coventry to design and manufacture telephone exchange equipment. They built this row of houses for the managers in Copeswood Terrace.



## Millpool Public House

opened in 1957, named after a former Millpool on the River Sowe.

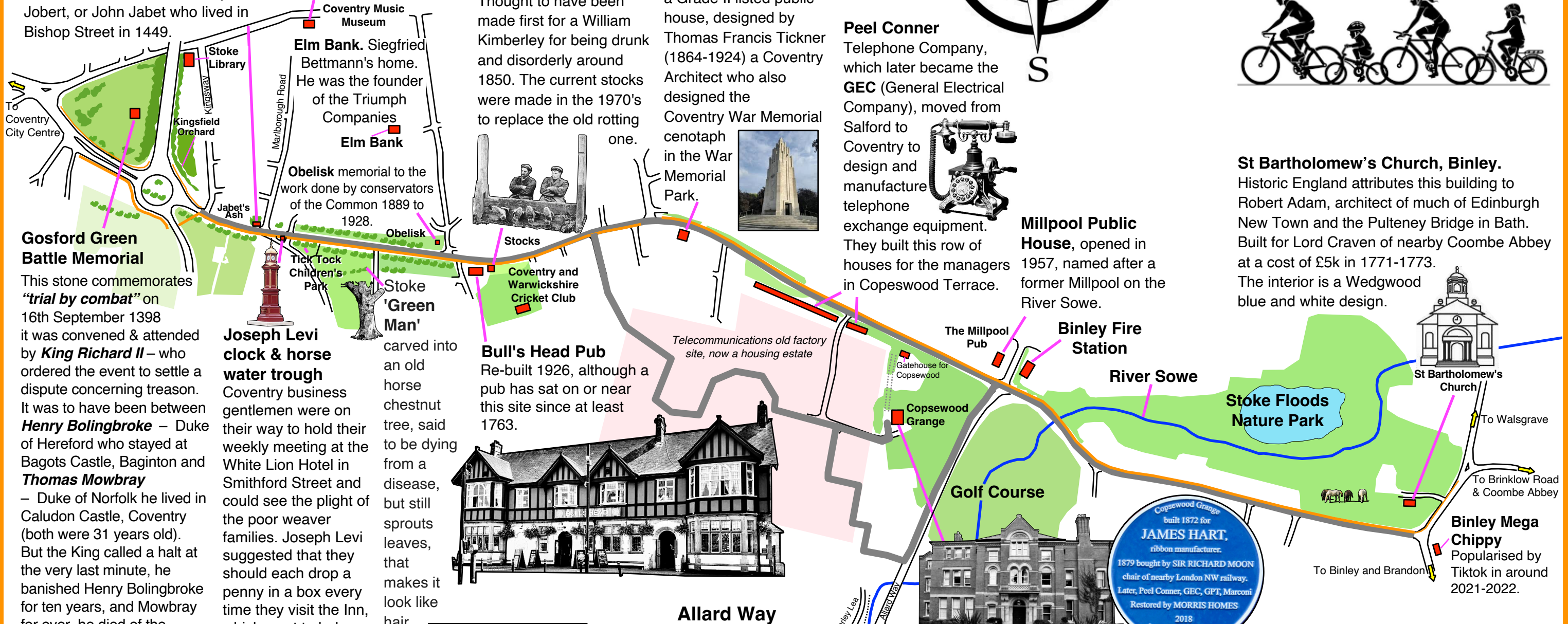
## Binley Fire Station

River Sowe

Stoke Floods Nature Park

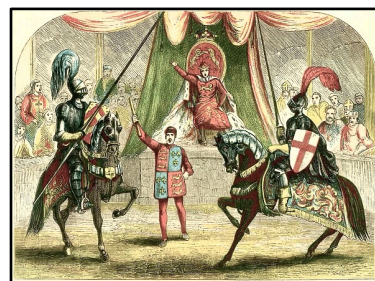


**Binley Mega Chippy** Popularised by Tiktok in around 2021-2022.



## Gosford Green Battle Memorial

This stone commemorates "trial by combat" on 16th September 1398 it was convened & attended by **King Richard II** – who ordered the event to settle a dispute concerning treason. It was to have been between **Henry Bolingbroke** – Duke of Hereford who stayed at Bagots Castle, Baginton and **Thomas Mowbray** – Duke of Norfolk he lived in Caludon Castle, Coventry (both were 31 years old). But the King called a halt at the very last minute, he banished Henry Bolingbroke for ten years, and Mowbray for ever, he died of the plague in Europe. Henry Bolingbroke came back and beat Richard's army and he became **King Henry IV**.

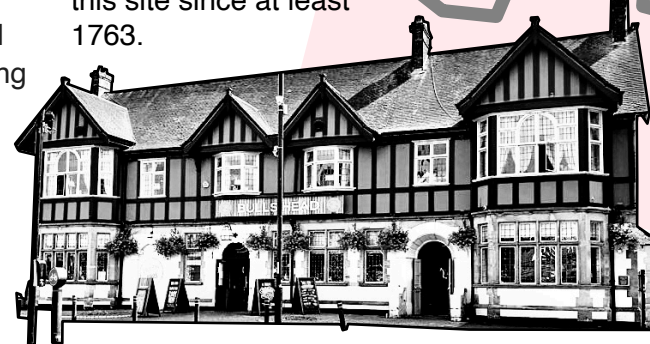


## Joseph Levi clock & horse water trough

Coventry business gentlemen were on their way to hold their weekly meeting at the White Lion Hotel in Smithford Street and could see the plight of the poor weaver families. Joseph Levi suggested that they should each drop a penny in a box every time they visit the Inn, which went to help the poor. The clock was built in 1934, as a memorial to the societys' good deeds and later it was restored by local fundraising.

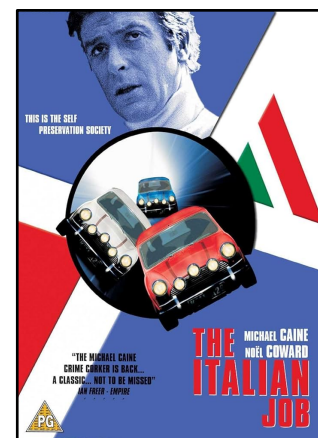
**Stoke 'Green Man'** carved into an old horse chestnut tree, said to be dying from a disease, but still sprouts leaves, that makes it look like hair.

**Bull's Head Pub** Re-built 1926, although a pub has sat on or near this site since at least 1763.



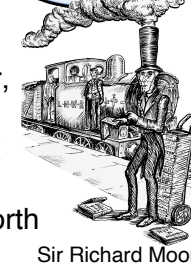
## Allard Way

Some of 'The Italian Job' film was shot here, in a sewer tunnel that was under construction between Stoke and Finham at the time. Obviously no longer accessible. There is a plaque.



## Copsewood Grange

James Hart, a Coventry ribbon manufacturer, had it built, then he had to sell it when the ribbon industry failed. Sir Richard Moon took over ownership, so he could see the trains approach the city as he ran the London & North West Railway. He died in 1899 and is buried in the St Bartholomew's Church grave yard. Copsewood then later became the club house to GEC, the golf course was part of it before the Allard Way road was built.



Sir Richard Moon

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