**West Sussex Literary Trail Part 2, Saturday 2nd March 2019**

6 walkers, 15 miles – leader Peter Buchwald

Marshland

The overcast sky encloaked us with gloom

As we walked through the low-lying land

The beauty of this country awakened us

To the pleasures of the fertile flood plain.

We had a sumptuous lunch in a rural pub

Which we left under the afternoon sunshine

While a cool South wind began to blow

Heralding the onset of a violent storm.

The long history of this ancient land

Can be traced through centuries back

The flat lands yielding their memories

As we passed the rustic architecture

Of thatch and box framed dwellings

To an early medieval stone castle.

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