

It all started with a few random comments on the Whatsapp group about opportunities to ride behind one of the remaining Class 67 locos. After a few exchanges TfW were selected as the best opportunity. HL then volunteered that there is a brewery tap in an old shed next to the station at Ludlow.

We were last in Ludlow as far as I can see in 2008 and consulting the write up where I recognise the style of BG it was not then endowed with a great selection of hostelries.

The plan was hatched to travel for the majority from MAN on the 10:30 to CDF. Over the ensuing week there was much discussion of whether it would be a class 67.

PB meanwhile decided that the lunch location sounded so good it was worth making an effort and travel the other way via NWP although not worried about the transport, provided it ran, and arrive 4 minutes later. In spite of it being a class 67 previous days turns out to be a 2 car set thankfully not as loaded as sometimes.

On the morning IO confirmed from his runes that the 10:30 was a Class 67, so all happy.

Ludlow Brewery Tap. Opens 11:00 only pork pies and scotch eggs. 5 ales, all on - ecstasy. Jb times 12:15 - 14:15.

Return journey via CRE also a class 67. Job done.