# Petts Wood Station to Farnborough

Via The London Outer Orbital Path (LOOP)

A mixture of woodland, open spaces and suburban streets makes this a surprisingly varied walk

Please read the Bromley Pub Walks <u>introductory notes</u> for explanation about information provided in these walking guides



#### Approx. Distance:

3.4 miles

#### Approx. Time:

1.5 hours

#### **Gradients:**

No significant steep gradients

### Type(s) of path(s):

Gravel paths, tarmac, concrete

#### Stiles / Gates:

This route has no stiles or kissing gates

#### Road Walking: (ie. roads without footway)

All roads have footways

#### Livestock or crops:

None

#### **OS Grid References:**

Petts Wood Station: TQ 444676

Farnborough: TQ 443643

### Maps:

OS 1:25 000, Nos. 147 and 162

 The entire route is covered by the Inner London Ramblers guide to the LOOP, which includes detailed maps and description of the route, follow this link to view the guides

#### **Connections to other Bromley Pub Walks:**

- From Petts Wood Station:
  - 22 to Chislehurst Centre [War Memorial & High St]
  - 23 to Scadbury Park
- From Farnborough:
  - 05 to Keston
  - 07 to Leaves Green
  - 08 to Downe
  - 09 to Cudham
  - 10 to Pratts Bottom

The **Bromley Pub Walk** guides have been prepared and published by Bromley CAMRA to encourage members and others to enjoy walking in the rural areas of Bromley and to visit the many pubs and clubs on the routes.

If you have any comments about the Bromley Pub Walk guides please send an email to:

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#### Pubs:

- Petts Wood Station:
  - Daylight Inn, Station Square, Petts Wood. BR5 1LZ
  - One Inn The Wood, 209 Petts Wood Road, Petts Wood. BR5 1LA
  - Sovereign of the Seas, 109-111 Queensway, Petts Wood. BR5 1DG
  - Royal British Legion Club, Queensway, Petts Wood. BR5 1DH
- Farnborough:
  - Woodman, 50 High Street, Farnborough. BR6 7BA
  - Change of Horses, 87 High Street, Farnborough. BR6 7BB

#### **Public Transport:**

- Petts Wood Station. (Zone 5):
  - Southeastern, Victoria to Orpington via Bromley South
  - Southeastern, Charing Cross/London Bridge to Sevenoaks via Grove Park and Orpington
  - Thameslink, Orpington to Luton via Bromley South, Blackfriars and St Pancras (currently weekdays peak hours only)
  - 208 Lewisham to Orpington via Bromley
  - 273 Lewisham via Chislehurst
  - R3 Princess Royal Hospital to Orpington
  - R7 Chislehurst to Chelsfield [Five Bells] via Orpington
- Farnborough:
  - 358 Crystal Palace to Orpington Station, via Bromley North/South

#### Notes:

If you have got time (no pun intended), we suggest that you have a walk around Petts Wood, an upmarket early 20th century suburb, much of it in 'Builder's Tudor' style. This includes the Grade II listed <u>Daylight Inn</u>, named in honour of William Willett, the campaigner for daylight saving time. Leave the station via the ticket office to get to the Daylight Inn and the 'garden suburb' area of Petts Wood. As an alternative, you could take Route 23 to Scadbury Park, which includes walking through this area.

#### The Route:

- The entire route follows the London Outer Orbital Path (LOOP), which is mostly well-signposted.
- We recommend that you use the excellent <u>Inner London Ramblers guide</u> to the LOOP, which describes the route in considerable detail, including maps. For that reason, the route has not been described in detail in this guide,
- An optional short-cut is also described below

#### Starting at Petts Wood

 Leave the station via the footbridge, to the exit furthest from the ticket office, and continue onto the main road (Queensway), then turn right

## Starting at Farnborough

- The route starts where Gladstone Rd joins the High St.
- Continue to the far end of Gladstone Rd, to the T-junction with Cobden Rd. Go straight across Cobden Rd into a narrow alleyway between the houses (NB there was no LOOP signage in Aug 2019). Continue through the parking area behind the houses and you find yourself at the A21, where the LOOP signs resume

# Possible Short cut, avoiding Sparrow Wood and Jubilee Country Park

#### Walking from Petts Wood Station

- The section with Sparrow Wood can be muddy after periods of wet weather. This alternative route avoids that area, and provides a shorter route to/from the pubs in Petts Wood. However it misses out the opportunity to walk through Sparrow Wood and Jubilee Park
- From Petts Wood station, instead of turning right into Queensway, turn left and walk past Morrisons supermarket, then straight on past the mini-roundabout (where Queensway becomes Towncourt Lane)
- Take the first right into Jersey Drive. Follow this short suburban road and cross over Shepperton Road
- Then follow the public footpath straight ahead, with Crofton Junior School on the left
- This footpath soon becomes a well surfaced track with a stream on the left (the Kyd Brook or Quaggy River rising near Farnborough Hospital) and common land on the right-hand side
- The LOOP trail then joins this track before reaching Crofton Road.

#### Walking from Farnborough

- Leave the LOOP trail at the junction of paths shortly after crossing Crofton Rd (A232). The junction is after the last of the houses on the left hand side, the Loop goes diagonally left, but the shortcut route goes straight ahead keeping alongside the stream
- Eventually this path emerges in Shepperton Road. Go straight across the road into Jersey Drive, and continue until reaching Towncourt Lane. Turn left, then go straight on past the mini-roundabout (where the road becomes Queensway) and continue towards the station

#### Suggested Routes to Link with this route to make longer circular or one-way walks:

There are currently five other *Bromley Pub Walk* routes to/from Farnborough, plus another two from Keston, as listed above.

There are several possible options to combine Route 21 with other *Bromley Pub Walk* routes. All routes could be walked in either direction, (possibly, depending on where you want to have your final pint...). Some options include:

### 1. Hayes Stn. / Keston / Farnborough / Petts Wood

- One way
- Routes 01/05/21
- Approx. 8.8 miles
- 9 pubs and 2 clubs on route
- This route follows the Loop and Loop Link

## 2. Farnborough / Petts Wood / Chislehurst

- One way
- Routes 21 / 22
- Approx. 6.3 miles
- 11 pubs and 1 club on route

## 3. Petts Wood / Farnborough / plus other routes

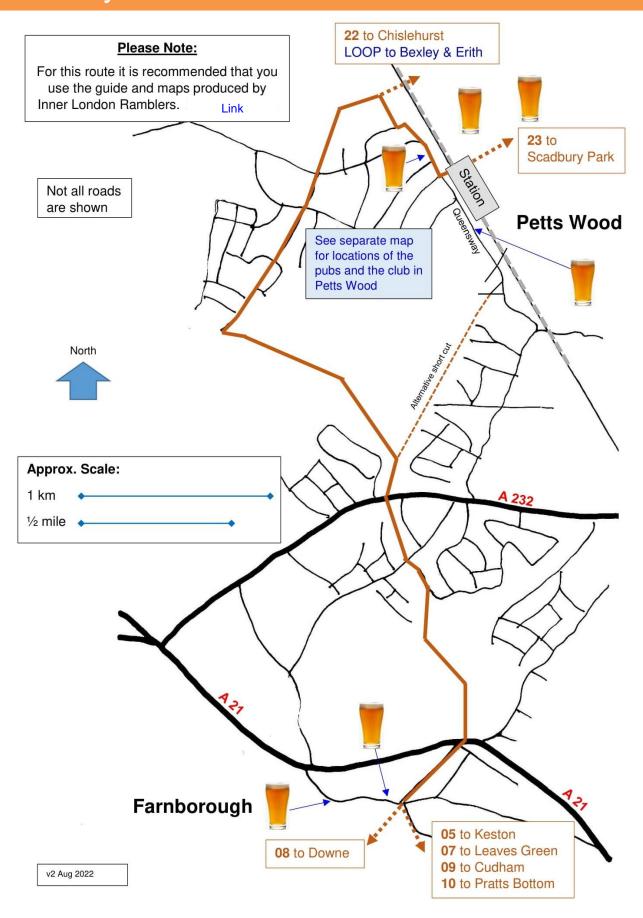
 There are other Bromley Pub Walks routes from Farnborough, (eg to Downe, Cudham, Pratts Bottom, Leaves Green) which could be added to this route

Maybe try also this route from Petts Wood:

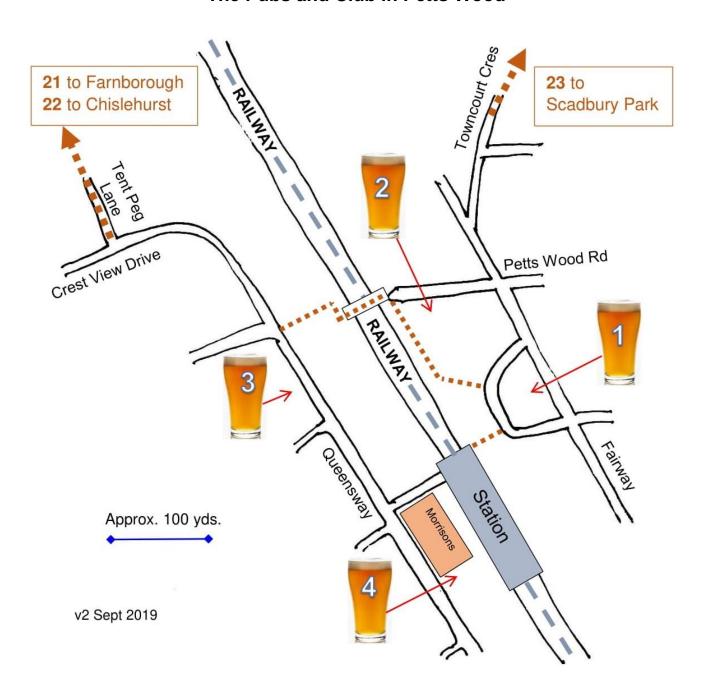
Route 85. A British Summer Time Walk



- Surveyed June 2019
- Updated August 2022



## The Pubs and Club in Petts Wood



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