

# Bromley CAMRA Pub Walks

## A Walk of Two Halves (or possibly a few pints)

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September



The **London Outer Orbital Path** (LOOP), sometimes called the walkers' M25, is a fantastic green asset, stretching 150 miles round the edges of London and providing a variety of walking to huge numbers of people. The walking is split into 24 sections, is accessible by public transport and offers everything from short local walks in town centres to a long-distance walking route for starter-finisher hikers.

Approx. **13 miles** of the Loop is in Bromley, running from the A222 roundabout on the A20, via Scadbury Park, Petts Wood, Jubilee Country Park, Farnborough, High Elms and Keston to near Coney Hall.

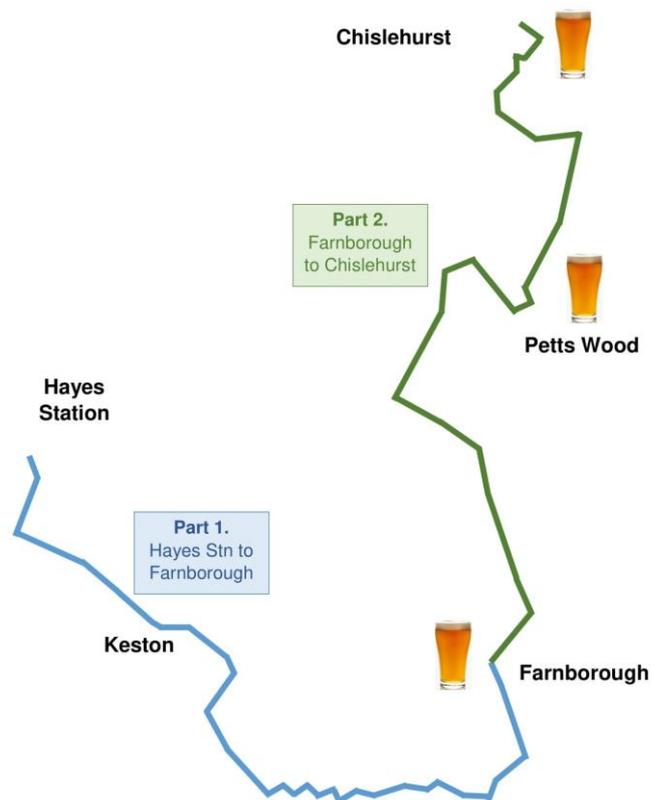
This year, the Loop is celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> birthday, and throughout September special **Love Your Loop** events are being arranged by *The Ramblers* and other groups. For more information about the LOOP, and the *Love Your Loop* events please follow [this link](#).

Bromley CAMRA is leading a walk to give members, friends and all walkers a chance to walk along some of the Loop route within Bromley, and to visit some of the pubs along the route.

Our walking route will take us past, or through:

- The source of the River Ravensbourne at Caesar's Well;
- Wilberforce Oak, where in 1788 William Wilberforce announced to William Pitt (The Younger) that he intended to promote a bill to end the slave trade;
- High Elms Park Country Park, the former home of the Lubbock family;
- Petts Wood and Hawkwood (National Trust);
- The memorial to, and also the grave of, William Willett, the campaigner for Daylight Saving Time;
- And, since this is a CAMRA event, there will be a chance to visit several of the excellent pubs/club along the route

**The walk is split into two parts**, allowing keen walkers to do the entire route (approx. **11.4 miles**), whilst others may prefer to join us in Farnborough for Part 2 (approx. **6 miles**), or possibly even just the final leg from Petts Wood (approx. **2.4 miles**).



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## Part 1. Hayes Station to Farnborough

- Approx. **5.4** miles
- No pub stops
- From Hayes Station the route goes across Hayes Common to Keston Village, then onto Keston Common and the source of the River Ravensbourne. We then pass Wilberforce Oak and on through farmland and a golf course to High Elms Country Park, on the edge of Farnborough.

## Part 2. Farnborough to Chislehurst Common

- Approx. **6.0** miles
- With optional pub stops at Farnborough, Petts Wood and Chislehurst
- Between Farnborough and Petts Wood the route mostly passes through woodland and parks, but is interspersed with some suburban streets
- From Petts Wood the route is mostly through the National Trust's Petts Wood and Hawkwood Estate

## Approx. Timings:

From 09:30, meet outside Hayes Station

09:45 (*Prompt*) Start of Walk Part 1

12:00 Arrive Farnborough. Optional pub stop, choice of **2 pubs**, both open at noon

12:30 Start of Walk Part 2

14:00 Arrive Petts Wood. Lunch stop, choice of **3 pubs & 1 club**

15:00 Walk resumes

16:00 Arrive Chislehurst. End of walk, choice of **4 pubs**

## Maps

- OS 1:25 000 Nos 147 & 162
- The Loop walk guidance and maps, as revised by *Ramblers'* volunteers in 2020-21:
  - [Keston to Petts Wood](#)
  - [Petts Wood to Chislehurst](#)

## Public transport

- Hayes:
  - Trains from London Charing Cross / Cannon St / London Bridge
  - Buses from Bromley, Orpington, Croydon and elsewhere
- Farnborough:
  - 358 bus, Crystal Palace to Orpington via Bromley
- Petts Wood:
  - Trains from London Victoria to Orpington via Bromley South
  - Trains from London Charing Cross/London Bridge to Sevenoaks via Grove Park and Orpington
  - 208 bus, Lewisham to Orpington via Bromley
  - Plus several other buses
- Chislehurst War Memorial:
  - Buses to Bromley, Orpington, Bexley and elsewhere
  - Chislehurst Rail station is approx. 4 stops away by bus



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## Pubs and Clubs

- Farnborough
  - [Change of Horses](#), 87 High Street. BR6 7BB
  - [Woodman](#), 50 High Street. BR6 7BA
- Petts Wood
  - [Daylight Inn](#), Station Square. BR5 1LZ
  - [One Inn The Wood](#), 209 Petts Wood Road. BR5 1LA
  - [Royal British Legion Club](#), Queensway. BR5 1DH (\*)
  - [Sovereign of the Seas](#), 109-111 Queensway, BR5 1DG
- Chislehurst
  - [Bull's Head Hotel](#), Royal Parade. BR7 6NR
  - [Cockpit](#), 4 Royal Parade. BR7 6NR
  - [Crown Inn](#), School Road. BR7 5PQ
  - [Tigers Head](#), Watts Lane. BR7 5PJ
  - *(There are also six possible additional pubs not very far away, around Chislehurst High St, near Chislehurst Station and Scadbury Park)*

## Everyone is welcome!

The event is being run by Bromley CAMRA, however everyone is welcome.

- Anybody under 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult, and must comply with age-related restrictions at any pubs visited.
- Any dogs should be kept on a lead when near farm animals, and should only be taken into pubs with the prior consent of the licensee.
- Everyone joining the walk is expected to follow the normal rules and 'walking etiquette' operated on walks run by Ramblers groups. This includes:

1. Please try to keep together whilst walking, and follow any instructions given by the walk leader
2. If you wish to leave the group part way through the walk, please tell the walk leader
3. Muddy footwear in pubs. Please either remove your muddy boots before entering any of the pubs, or bring a supply of plastic bags to put over them to stop you trampling mud around the pub
4. Eating your own food. If you bring your own food please do not eat it in the pub or the pub's outdoor seating areas
5. Timetable. We will all need to keep to the planned timetable, otherwise we won't get to the finish point at the advertised time.

## Footwear and Clothing

- Trainers (or boots) are recommended. NB. A short section of the route in Sparrow Wood can be muddy, if so on the day, an optional alternative (shorter & drier) route will be offered to anybody who wants to avoid the mud.
- No specialist clothing should be required, although suitable waterproofs may be needed, depending on the forecast

(\*) Petts Wood Royal British Legion Club. This is a club, however CAMRA members are welcome to visit as guests. You will need to show a current CAMRA membership card.



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## Need Any Further Information?

Please send an email to [walking@bromley.camra.org.uk](mailto:walking@bromley.camra.org.uk)

## About Bromley CAMRA

The Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) is considered to be one of the most successful consumer organisations across Europe. Founded in 1971 by four real ale enthusiasts, today CAMRA represents beer drinkers and pub-goers across the UK.

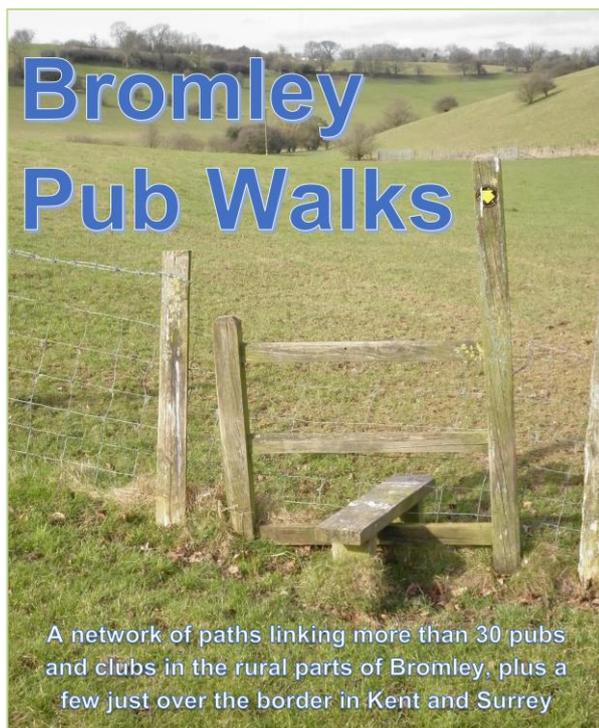
[Join CAMRA today](#) and discover the joys of beer, brewing and pubs!

As the local branch, Bromley CAMRA helps to support, protect and promote pubs and clubs within the Borough of Bromley. Find out more about Bromley CAMRA on our [website](#).



## Bromley Pub Walks

Bromley CAMRA actively promotes walking as a means of visiting the pubs and clubs in the more rural southern part of the area.



**There are more than 30 pubs and clubs in the rural areas of Bromley, plus a few more 'just over the borders' in Kent and Surrey.**

All of the Bromley and Kent pubs are accessible by public transport on at least 6 days of the week, so it's really easy for drinkers and walkers to travel to and from any of these excellent establishments, to get out into the fresh air, take some exercise and enjoy a drink or two.

Bromley CAMRA has published a series of brief guides to each of these walks, which range in distance from less than a mile to about 6 miles.

The Bromley Pub Walk Guides briefly describe the routes and terrain, list the pubs/clubs that you can visit, and provide information about public transport.

<https://bromley.camra.org.uk/pub-walks/>

