

1 This branch of the Green Chain Walk starts beside the River Thames at Erith (2A) at the top of Corinthian Manorway where it connects with the riverside footpath leading east to Erith Town Centre and west to Crossness. After 2 1/2 miles, the branch joins the main route at Lesnes Abbey. From the Green Chain major signpost walk down Corinthian Manorway, turn left and cross West Street at the zebra crossing.

2 After crossing the road, turn right and follow Jessett Close around to the left passing the church (2B) on your right. Cross the dual carriageway and railway line by the footbridge to emerge on the junction of Battle Road and Pembroke Road. Bear left along Pembroke Road and then turn right into Valley Road.

3 Follow Valley Road to enter Franks Park, (2C). Follow the wooden marker posts, bearing left to reach the Green Chain major signpost where the paths cross. Turn right, climb the slope and continue following the marker posts to eventually leave the park along the Halt Robin Road.

4 Follow Halt Robin Road, crossing Lower Park Road to the junction with Picardy Road. Cross Picardy Road and follow Upper Abbey Road to reach Heron Hill. Turn right and bear left around the pub car park (2D) to enter the track known as Leather Bottle Lane.

5 Follow the track for a short distance and then take the path to the left to enter Lesnes Abbey Woods (2E). Follow the marker posts through the woods, turning sharp left to climb the hill, and right where the paths cross. Follow the path, passing the tumulus on the right, turn right and follow the marker posts downhill to cross the main track and later left and then right to eventually join up with the main Walk route at the Green Chain major signpost, just south of the Abbey ruins. The route to the north leads to Thamesmead Riverside via the ruins and Southmere Lake (see section 1).

6 From the Green Chain major signpost where the routes join, follow the marker posts up through the woods, (2F) turning right to reach New Road. Cross New Road and re-enter the woods. Turn left just inside the

woods to follow the marker posts up to the pond (2G).

7 Continue following the marker posts, turning left to emerge eventually on Hurst Lane. At Hurst Lane, turn right and continue to the junction with Knee Hill. Go left for a short distance along Knee Hill and then right into Bostall Heath (2H).

8 Follow the marker posts through the woodland of Bostall Heath to reach the main road (Bostall Hill - A206). Turn left then right to cross the road. Follow the wooden posts around the eastern edge of the cricket field and cross over Longleigh Lane into Bostall Woods at the Green Chain major signpost. Here a branch from Charlton Park via Plumstead Common joins from the right (section 4). Directly ahead leads to Oxleas Wood via East Wickham Open Space and Woodlands Farm (section 3).