

1 To walk to Oxleas Wood via East Wickham Open Space, at the Green Chain major signpost take the left hand path (with Bostall Heath to your back) and continue straight ahead. Follow the path down the hill taking the middle option where the path splits into three. Follow the marker posts through Bostall Woods (3A), keeping the open glade on your left, to emerge at the lodge called Woodside at the end of the driveway (3B).

2 At Woodside turn left down the track to Cemetery Road and then right to follow the cemetery wall (3C).

3 Continue along Cemetery Road and left into Wickham Lane. Cross the road and turn right at the Foresters Arms. Follow Highbanks Close until it turns to the left, at this point enter East Wickham Open Space (3D). Climb to the top of the hill and the Green Chain information board. Continue straight on to the Green Chain major signpost.

4 At the signpost bear right along the edge of the planting and then turn right to follow the wooden marker posts across East Wickham Open Space, through the areas of recently planted trees and out onto Glenmore Road. Turn left along Glenmore Road and right into Dryden Road. Follow Dryden Road crossing the junction with Edison Road and passing Milton Road. Enter the open space where Dryden Road bends to the left.

5 Continue along the footpath through the open space to the metal fence. Pass through the gate to the open field (3E) and bear to the right to follow the field boundary along the hedgerow and stream. As you near the far end of the field turn right and cross the stream and then after a short distance turn left, cross the small area of scrubland to emerge onto Shooters Hill / Bellegrave Road near the filling station (3F).

6 Cross Shooters Hill / Bellegrave Road, turn right and then left to enter Oxleas Wood past number 415 Bellegrave Road (3G). Take a right turn a short way inside the woods and follow the marker posts through the woods to reach the wider horse ride track. Turn left along this track and continue for some distance to reach the Green Chain major signpost. To continue

Southwards to Mottingham and beyond, go now to section 6.

7 To head west toward the Thames Barrier or Plumstead turn right and follow the marker posts up through the woods eventually turning left along another horse ride track and continue to the pavilion and the Green Chain major signpost. Two routes join at this point, one from the Thames Barrier via Charlton Park and Woolwich Common (section 5) and one from Plumstead via Shrewsbury Park (section 4).