

Route 1 - Harlesden to Willesden via Roundwood Park

Route Highlights

Join the hustle and bustle of two of Brent's most vibrant and diverse High Streets, explore the tranquillity of the beautifully kept Roundwood Park with its cafe, formal gardens and numerous sports facilities and wander through the old graves in the historic Willesden Cemetery.

1 Start at Willesden Junction Station - Station Approach.
2 Turn right onto Station Road. **3** At the Jubilee Clock roundabout, turn left onto High Street then **4** continue straight onto Craven Park Road. At the traffic lights and junction of Manor Park Road **5** turn right onto Manor Park Road and **6** then left onto Park Parade. At the roundabout turn left onto Harlesden Road **7**. From Harlesden Road turn into Roundwood Park **8** walk around Roundwood Park and then back onto Harlesden Road. **9** Turn right onto Donnington Road **10** to Willesden Sports Centre and King Edward VII Sports Ground and walk around the grounds. Then head back onto Donnington Road, turning right onto Harlesden Road and **11** onto Pound Lane. **12** Turn left onto Glebe Road and into the Willesden Jewish Cemetery. Walk around the cemetery and exit on Beaconsfield Road **13**. Turn left onto the High Rd **14** then left onto Cobbald Rd **15**. Follow Cobbald Rd as it makes a sharp right and turn left onto Franklyn Rd **16**. Walk around Willesden New Cemetery and follow the route you took back to High Rd **17**. Follow the High Road through the centre of Willesden and **end the walk** at **18** Willesden Green Tube station.

Places of Interest/Heritage

Start the walk in Harlesden taking in the diverse and vibrant high streets with their plethora of African, Caribbean, Portuguese and Brazilian shops.



Church of All Souls:
Built in 1879, this Grade II listed building is noted for its octagonal wooden roof, stained glass windows and organ.

Jubilee Clock: This Grade II listed structure commemorates the Golden Jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1887. The clock is cast iron, with a square base and an inscription panel. A decorative square feature above this is decorated with dolphins, armorial bearings and a supporting fluted circular column with a spiral ornament, shields of arms and square topped. There is a florentine capital and above this is a cube with a round clock face on each side crowned by pediments, a central urn and spike. The original lanterns have been removed.



Roundwood Park: is a formal Victorian Park that has English Heritage Grade II listed status and green flag holder. Take some time to wander around, visit the café, the formal flower gardens or play a spot of bowls and soak in the surrounds.



Willessden Sports Centre and King Edward VII Sports Ground: Visit the playground, sports facilities and leisure centre en route.

Willessden Cemetery: Willessden New Cemetery was opened in 1891 and includes the Willessden Civilian War Memorial, a tribute to local civilians who died in the Second World War.

Just off route further south along High Street was the **Hippodrome Theatre**. Based in Harlesden, it was destroyed by German bombs in September 1940.

The remains of the building stood on Harlesden High Street until they were demolished in 1957. In the 1960s Harlesden House office block was built on site, which originally served as a Government Labour Exchange and is now the Job Centre Plus.



Facilities: Extensive sport and recreation facilities in Roundwood Park and King Edward VII park. Refreshments are available in both parks as well as both high streets.

Distance

6.8 miles - 11 km - 15,800 Steps

Time

Fast - 1hr 50mins, **Medium** - 2hrs 20mins, **Slow** - 3hrs 30mins

Calories

Fast - 720, **Medium** - 650, **Slow** - 620

Difficulty

All on paved paths although the high streets and cemetery may be more difficult for wheelchair and pram users.

Start / end station

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