



# KENSINGTON, CHELSEA, HAMMERSMITH AND FULHAM

## WORMWOOD SCRUBS

"The Scrubs" has long been public open space; today it is the largest open area in the borough. 150 years ago the army used the area as a training ground, but when they weren't using it, civilians were allowed in. It was used for the launch of airships from 1910, and remained an emergency landing ground until the late 1930s. The prison with which it shares its name was built - by convicts - in 1891 followed by Hammersmith Hospital in 1902 and the stadium in 1967.



## TRELICK TOWER

The tower is based on a very similar block, Balfron Tower, in East London. Erno Goldfinger, the architect, lived in a flat there for some time and invited his neighbours to come round and tell him about their likes and dislikes which he incorporated into Trellick Tower. It opened in 1972, just as concrete tower blocks were becoming seriously unpopular, and by the late 1970s it had serious problems with crime and antisocial behavior. However, by the 1990s, as gentrification took hold, it became a very popular place to live with flats in high demand, and it became a Grade II listed building in 1998.



## WHITE CITY

The area was farmland until 1908 when a stadium was built for the Olympics and other buildings for international exhibitions. After the games the stadium was used mostly for athletics, but hosted a variety of sports, including speedway and one match for the 1966 world cup. The area took its name from the white marble which was used to clad many of the buildings. The BBC built Television Centre here in 1960, and whilst much of the site is being redeveloped it is still an important base for TV production.



## CARNIVAL

The Notting Hill Carnival is one of the largest in the world, with around two million people coming together for a celebration of mainly West Indian culture. It began as an indoor festival in 1959, organized by Claudia Jones, who was also editor of the West Indian Gazette. It was taken outside for the first time in 1966 by Rhaune Laslett, who (amongst other things) borrowed costumes from Madame Tussauds and included floats from the fire brigade and the gas board, with about 1500 people attending. Since then it has grown steadily, despite prejudiced reporting, into the huge event we know today.



## THE WESTWAY

The elevated section of the Westway is two and a half miles long, and was supposed to be a model for a whole network of highways in London, called the Ringways. However, by the time it was finished in 1970, complete with protesters at the opening ceremony, it had attracted huge criticism for its effect on the environment and upon local communities, with over 10,000 families needing to be rehoused.

The level of local opposition, together with the huge costs and the lack of any environmental assessment, meant that the Ringways plan was abandoned shortly afterwards.

If you enjoyed the Unlock Labyrinth activity at the 2023 walk you can find the details here: [LabyrinthWalkWorkshop2023.pdf](#) ([unlock-urban.org.uk](http://unlock-urban.org.uk))

## DON'T FORGET

- Up-to-date A-Z map or Google maps.
- Some of the churches on the route may provide refreshments.
- A snack or picnic lunch or visit local cafes.
- We walk whatever the weather.
- Look for things to pray about as you walk.
- Start at any time after 9am at any church checkpoint, but with time to get back again by 5pm.
- Get your map stamped at each checkpoint.
- Use the quiz sheet to draw your attention to points of interest along the way.
- Take time to learn about the churches you visit and about Unlock.

Please work with us to ensure that the **2024** walk generates more income to fund Unlock's vital work. You can do this by:

**Seriously & prayerfully** consider how you can support Unlock's ongoing work.

**Sponsorship** – get as many sponsors as you can, by explaining to them what you are raising money for; and ensure that they gift aid their sponsorship wherever possible.

**Promoting Unlock's work in your church or area** Put up a display in your church, or write something for your church magazine.

**Bring along some friends** – encourage new people to join you for an Unlock London Walk experience in **2024**.

**Through your Church** – persuade your church to give funds to support Unlock as part of its regular missionary giving.

**Donations** – you can make a personal donation to Unlock's work, either on a one off basis, or better yet, at regular intervals.

The aims of the Unlock London Walk are:

- To raise money for Unlock's work in deprived urban areas across the UK.
- To raise awareness of the issues of exclusion that Unlock exists to address.
- To showcase the ministry of churches in urban areas. Come and see what God is doing in the city.
- To encourage churches in more affluent parts of the country to support the work of their fellow Christians in the inner city.
- To give 100s of people an opportunity for an unusual and enlightening day out in London.

Unlock works by running local projects in UK cities, where a trained Unlock Development Worker, accompanied by a local team, is employed to encourage and enable local people and their leaders to grow in faith and confidence by:

**UNLOCKING REAL LIFE STORIES OF URBAN PEOPLE**  
**REVEALING GOOD NEWS OF THE DOWN TO EARTH CHRIST**  
**RELEASING LIFE CHANGING SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE**

2023 donations from the walk have raised over £20,000. In a difficult economic climate this is a great testament to the commitment of our faithful band of walk supporters, and we really appreciate it. However, we must not be complacent and Unlock needs your support more than ever. Unlock relies heavily on income from the Unlock London walk to fund our work. Because we are directly engaged in Christian Mission it is very difficult to secure other types of funding. So please keep up the momentum and do all you can to maximise the returns from the 2024 Walk. Unlock local projects are making a real difference, bringing the gospel to people that the churches haven't been able to reach; and there's more we can deliver if we have the resources!

## MAKING YOUR DONATION COUNT EVEN MORE

Donating on-line saves Unlock valuable staff time and money and is quick and easy to do via:

### Give as You Live Donate

If you want a quicker simpler way to solicit and collect your Unlock sponsorship you can now register with Give as You Live Donate, who will collect all your sponsor money, claim the gift aid, and send it all to Unlock on your behalf. This allows you to promote your fundraising for Unlock via social media or by e-mail, and to collect sponsorship from people at a distance who you do not regularly meet up with. It saves you managing a pile of small change or writing a cheque. It also saves Unlock time and money, making your support more valuable to us, because more of it can be channelled straight into our front line work with the Bible amongst the urban poor.

For further details on how to request sponsorship or make a donation go to -

[unlock-urban.org.uk/support\\_walk.php](http://unlock-urban.org.uk/support_walk.php)

### Give as You Live - For Online Shoppers

Would you like to support Unlock every time you shop online at no cost to you and no cost to us? With Give as You Live, thousands of major brands including Play.com, John Lewis and Expedia have signed up to donate a percentage of every purchase you make online to Unlock. The average shopper will raise £2.10 per month through what they already buy online.

**Give as You Live** is easy to set up and use. Simply visit **Give as You Live** at [giveasyoulive.com/join/unlock](http://giveasyoulive.com/join/unlock) for full details, try it today and help raise valuable funds for Unlock.

The following are available from [unlock-urban.org.uk](http://unlock-urban.org.uk), or from the Unlock National Office:

- More copies of this Map Brochure and Sponsor Forms.
- Resources to help you promote Unlock's work.
- Information about Unlock local projects – real stories of real people.
- Unlock resources free to use.

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#### SATURDAY 27 APRIL 2024 9AM TO 5PM

