



# THE 47 BUS LEWISHAM, DEPTFORD AND BERMONDSEY

## LADYWELL AND BROCKWELL CEMETERY

The cemetery was created in 1858, in response to an act of parliament in 1854 which prohibited further burials in overcrowded London churchyards. As with many other London cemeteries of that era it is now a locally important nature reserve, even though it is still in use for burials today. The cemetery has a small number of war graves maintained by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. The names of servicemen who died in World War One also appear on some headstones as family members remembered them far away from their burial places near the battlefield.

## UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL LEWISHAM

Lewisham Workhouse started on this site in 1612, but by the mid-19th century it was well on its way to becoming a hospital, with cholera wards being built in the 1830's. The workhouse only closed in 1929, by which time the site was a busy hospital. The most recent wing was opened in 2007 by Archbishop Desmond Tutu and is the first major NHS building to generate much of its own electricity thanks to solar panels on the roof. The Accident and Emergency department was recently threatened with closure, but a strong local campaign to save it concluded with a ruling in the appeals court that the health secretary did not have the authority to close it.

## DEPTFORD

The name comes from 'Deep Ford' across the Ravensbourne, the same river which the walk crosses near Lewisham hospital. Deptford was the site of the first Royal Dockyard, commissioned by Henry VIII, and sailors such as Sir Francis Drake and Captain James Cook started their voyages here. Trinity House, the organisation concerned with the safety of navigation around the British Isles, was formed in Deptford in 1514, but the area itself did not have such a good safety record. Shakespeare's contemporary Christopher Marlowe was murdered in a pub nearby. There is controversy about the pub, but he is buried at the local Parish Church.

## ROTHERHITHE TUNNEL

The road tunnel under the Thames was built between 1904 and 1908, at a cost of about £1 million. 3000 people were displaced by its construction. It includes sharp, nearly right-angled bends at the points where it goes under the river bed. These were partly to avoid the neighbouring docks, and also to stop horses from seeing daylight at the end of the tunnel too early, which might make them bolt for the exit. Despite the traffic fumes it is still possible to walk or cycle through it.

## GREENLAND DOCK

Greenland Dock is the oldest of all the London docks, originally excavated at the end of the 1600's. Its name comes from Greenland whaling ships, who

used it extensively in the late 1700's. This trade declined in the early 19th century, but for the next 150 years or so the dock was the centre of London's timber imports, much of which came from Scandinavia. The nearby Norwegian, Finnish and Swedish Churches were built for the sailors from these nations.

## RUSSIA DOCK WOODLAND AND STAVE HILL

Russia Dock Woodland nearby was planted in about 1980 after the infilling of much of the Surrey Docks. The former Russia Dock was used for the importing of softwood, known as "deal wood", which was mostly used for newsprint and for manufacturing furniture. It's apt then that the printing works for Associated Newspapers, the publisher of the London Evening Standard are nearby. The Woodland

still contains surviving dock features including the retaining wall capstones, depth gauges, bollards, mooring chains and tracks.

Stave hill is entirely artificial and has a summit 30 feet above sea level, but the view from the top is surprisingly panoramic - on a clear day you can see Wembley stadium. A relief map of the area in cast bronze stands at the top of the hill.

## HILLY FIELDS

The summit of the park is 175 feet above sea level. We owe the existence of the park (and the National Trust) to Octavia Hill, the Victorian campaigner. The area had been farmland, and when it was close to being built over she raised funds for it to be bought as a park by the London County Council in 1896. The school predates the park, having been built in 1880.

## DON'T FORGET

- A-Z map of London. (if you have one)
- Some of the churches on the route may provide refreshments.
- A snack or picnic lunch. (some food may be available on the route too)
- We walk whatever the weather.
- Look for things to pray about as you walk.

Please work with us to ensure that the 2015 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 2015.

**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 support group, 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**

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2014 walk sponsorship and donations have reached our highest in the last decade at over £29,000. In a difficult economic climate this is a fantastic testament to the commitment of our faithful band of walk supporters, and we really appreciate it. However, one really good year must not make us complacent and Unlock continues to need your support. 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 2015 Peter Hall Tribute 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:

### Virgin Giving

If you want a quicker simpler way to solicit and collect your Unlock sponsorship you can now register with Virgin Giving, 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 your facebook page 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 On-line 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 Amazon, 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 <http://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/unlock> for full details, try it today and help raise valuable funds for Unlock.

- More copies of this map brochure & sponsor forms.
- Written description of the walk.
- Resources to help you promote Unlock's work.
- Information about Unlock Local projects – real stories of real people.
- Unlock resources free to use.

Further details & more copies of this map are available from [unlock-urban.org.uk](http://unlock-urban.org.uk), or from the Unlock National Office:

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Peter Hall Tribute Walk

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