

# Zone 6 inner

## Section 18: Hatton Cross to West Drayton

Distance: 6.33 mi, 10.13 km

### Introduction

This is a moderately long section. The first part largely duplicates the London Loop, but with a couple of diversion for the sake of variety. A longer alternative to this route would be to follow the London Loop all the way to Hayes & Harlington and then to follow the towpath to West Drayton (or, an even longer alternative, follow the London Loop all the way to West Drayton).

There are pubs and other places to eat in Harlington and West Drayton.

### Directions

Turn right out of Hatton Cross station, and left along the Great South West Road.

Carry on along the pavement until the point at which the Piccadilly Line comes to the surface behind a concrete wall, then go up some steps on the left, and carry on in the same direction as before, with the Piccadilly Line on your right.

At the barrier, take the footpath on the left, leaving the London Loop.

Keep following the main path. For much of the way the path is very obscure. The idea is to keep going in the same general direction through a series of fields, with airport buildings on your left and woods on your right.

Finally, you reach a closed five-bar gate. Turn around and follow the edge of the wood along the left-hand edge of the field. Go through the first kissing gate on the left.

Cross the river.

*This route may be blocked, probably illegally.*

Turn left alongside the river.

The path gets narrower and rougher, and finally peters out at a wooden fence with a bridge on the left. Just before that point, turn right onto a rough track.

Carry on along a residential road, rejoining the London Loop.

Turn left at the next junction.

Cross the Bath Road and turn left along the pavement.

Take the next right, High Street, leaving the London Loop.

*This is the route of the London Loop.*

By a bench, turn left onto a path, rejoining the London Loop.

At the next intersection, turn left and leave the park.

Turn left onto a residential road, and follow it round two right bends.

Take the next left, Park Lane.

Turn right into Avenue Park.

Follow the path round to the left, along the edge of the park.

At the far end, turn left and cross the River Crane.

On the other side, bear right onto a grass path, aiming to the left of a carpark.

Bear left as you approach the corner of a fenced enclosure.

Keep straight ahead, with a wooded area on your right.

At the corner, turn right into the trees, then take the second of two turnings close together on the left.

At the T junction turn right.

Just before an underpass under the M4, turn sharp left onto the leftmost of two minor paths.

Ford Frog's Ditch, then bear right.

Turn right onto a track and follow it round to the left.

Go under a flyover, then keep straight ahead on the grass when the track bears left.

At the next road, turn right and go under the M4. (If you turn left, you will reach a pub in 5 minutes.)

On the other side, go up the steps, then carry straight on into Sam Phip's Recreation Ground.

At the T junction turn left.

Go round two sides of the recreation ground, then turn left and leave it.

Cross an access road, go through staggered barriers, and carry on along the footpath opposite.

Turn left along the road.

Bear right into Pinkwell Park.

Turn left past the play area.

At the far end of the play area, follow the path round to the right.

At the next intersection, turn left and leave the park.

Carry on straight ahead along Pembroke Way.

At the end, turn right.

At the end, turn left.

When the road bends left, go straight ahead, and then carry on along the right-hand edge of the playing fields.

At the corner, carry on through the kissing gate, then turn left along the road.

At the traffic lights, cross the dual carriageway and turn right.

Keep along the dual carriageway, past Stockley Farm Road.

Turn left along Lavender Rise.

When the road bends right, keep straight ahead along a footpath.

At the end, bear right along Porters Way.

After a parade of shops, bear right through Drayton Garden Village.

At the far end, bear left along Autumn Way.

At the end, carry on straight ahead along a footpath.

Turn left at the T junction, and follow the road round to the right.

Turn right beside the playing field.

Just before the end, turn left across the grass, and carry on along a residential road and past a mini-roundabout.

At the end, take the footpath on the right.

Opposite a carpark on the right, turn left then right.

Take the next turning right, Warwick Road.

West Drayton Station is ahead.