

Zone 6 outer

Section 9: Coulsdon South to Tattenham Corner

Distance: 6.42 mi, 10.27 km

Introduction

In this section we proceed westwards. We first climb out of Coulsdon and make our way through the suburbs, then descend into the next valley through a golf course, climb up to and through Banstead Wood, pass through an area of agriculture, cross Burgh Heath, and finally make our way through suburbs to Tattenham Corner. This section is identical to Section 8 of the Freedom Pass circuit.

There are cafes and pubs in Coulsdon and Burgh Heath, and cafes in Tattenham Corner.

Directions

Leave Coulsdon South Station on the west side (by platform 1), cross the carpark, go down the steps opposite the entrance, cross the road, and go up the steps on the opposite side.

Follow the path up the hill and over the next railway line. Cross the road and carry on up the steps opposite. Turn left onto the next road.

Keep going up Limetree Avenue, past Keats Way. At the end of the pavement, take the steps on the right, that lead up the slope to Henry Howell House. At the top of the steps, turn left.

Turn right onto a footpath, then immediately left into the trees.

Carry on along the path, through a housing estate, crossing a residential road.

After a gentle descent, just before the road, take the tarmac path left. Cross Charles Howell Drive and carry on along the path opposite.

Just before the next road, bear left into the woods.

Take the next turning right, go through the gate, cross the road, and carry straight on.

At the next road, turn left. Take the footpath on the right between the second and third houses.

Keep straight ahead along the residential road. Turn left at the end.

Turn left onto Bouverie Road, then first right into Lissoms Road.

At the end turn right.

At the end bear left along How Lane then immediately right into Chipstead Golf Course.

Keep straight ahead across the golf course. When the road bends right towards the club house, keep on the path (and then steps) straight ahead down the hill.

At the bottom, cross the road, bear left down the cutting and cross the railway line.

On the other side, after the first gate, take the left-most of two gates, so as to keep on the footpath (rather than the residential road on its right).

At the end, turn left, then go straight on at the mini-roundabout.

Then go through the gate on the right opposite Stagbury Avenue.

Keep on the main path. Just before the carpark, bear left through a kissing gate.

Keep straight ahead up the hill, and go through another kissing gate.

Go straight ahead at the intersection, then bear left along the edge of the wood before the lion statue.

Keep on the path up the side of the valley. Pass one turning on the right when the path levels out. Take the next turning right, just before a field appears on the left, at a point marked by a stone in the middle of the path.

You now have another climb. The path emerges into an open field. Carry on straight ahead along the right-hand edge.

At the corner carry straight on, and straight over the next intersection, and back into the woods.

Keep going in the same general direction and roughly the same level through the wood (at each intersection choose the path which is most nearly straight ahead). After a while there will be a steep slope down on the left. Eventually the path bends right and you come out into another field.

Follow the right-hand edge of the field.

Pass to the left of the barn, and then turn left onto the track after a kissing gate.

Keep on the track until a short distance beyond the next white house, then turn right.

This takes you along the left-hand edge of a field. At the end of the field turn left.

Cross one field, and go along the right-hand edge of another.

Turn right onto the road and follow it round to the left.

Cross the dual carriageway, and go through the left-hand gap in the trees on the opposite side.

Go straight ahead (at each intersection choose the path which is most nearly straight ahead), until you reach the far corner of the wood.

The path emerges onto a main road, with a minor road a few yards to your right, and a path opposite.

Cross the main road, and carry on straight ahead along the path.

Where a minor path cross the main path, turn right and take the left fork.

Carry straight on, passing the metal-fenced compound on your right, then between wooden fences.

On emerging, turn left, then right down Shawley Way.

Take the footpath left, immediately after the school.

Turn left at the end, then right along Upland Drive.

At the bottom of the slope, carry on along the path opposite. Keep on the path past the roundabout and up the residential road opposite.

At the end, turn left then right onto Great Tattenhams. Tattenham Corner Station is a little further on on the left.