

#### ROUTE DESCRIPTION

Note: Walkers may need to use local diversions when major events are taking place or other security restrictions. The route description has been written to allow walkers to identify where they are and use a smartphone/map App or the many street map signs to find their way, should a diversion be necessary. Walkers are recommended to plan to avoid major events like The Lord Mayors Show as access will be very limited in parts of the route

Walkers are suggested to allow plenty of time as the route passes many significant buildings and places of interest and you may wish to detour/visit. The route can be walked in stages if desired.

#### **Start Angel Underground Station**

Upon emerging from the tube station turn Left. At the junction of Islington High Street and Pentonville Road cross over and continue walking along St. Johns Street. Turn right into Roseberry Avenue (2nd Right). Travel along Roseberry Avenue past Sadlers Wells Theatre. At zebra crossing, cross over road but continue in same direction and then Turn Left into Garnault Place, this runs down the Left side of the Old Finsbury Town Hall. At the rear of the Old Town Hall, turn Right and ahead into Exmouth Market.

### Q1. At no 43, what is the name on the clock? A1:

Almost at the end of the market turn Left into Pine Street, Continue straight down Catherine Griffith Court and into Northampton Road. Turn left at the end of Northampton Road into Bowling Green Lane. At the end of Bowling Green Lane, the junction with Northampton Road and Tollerton Road, turn Right into Clerkenwell Close. Follow Clerkenwell Close round past the old Myddleton School (formerly the House of Detention) and St. James Clerkenwell, Pass The Three Kings Pub and on into Clerkenwell Green (Clerkenwell Green is not signed but it is an open area with 2 red telephone boxes [without phones!). Here you will find the former Clerkenwell Assizes and the Marx Memorial Library. Turn Left on the paved area and ahead into Aylesbury Street then turn Right into Jerusalem Passage.

This emerges into St. John Square, using the traffic island to the left, cross over Clerkenwell Road and walk on the cobbled road towards the arch, which is St. Johns Gate. This is the last remnant of the Priory of St. John of Jerusalem, it is today a museum and the headquarters of the Order of St. John. Pass under St. John's Gate.

## Q2. On the far side of St Johns gate – Look up – How many of the shields have a crown on the top? A2:

Continue along St. John's Lane, bear Right at the end of the lane, along St. Johns Street and across Charterhouse Street to Smithfield Meat Market. Pass through Smithfield Meat Market (Grand Avenue), across Long Lane, towards St. Bartholomews Hospital. Follow the road going around to the Right of the Hospital (West Smithfield/Giltspur Street).

SP Royal Connection – Look inside the St. Bartholomew's Hospital Outpatients Department, go into the archway – look on the right-hand side to find a Royal Connection. The entrance/arch is diagonally opposite no 8&9)

At the traffic lights cross over and immediately turn Left into Newgate Street, passing the Old Bailey Central Criminal Court, then turn Right into Warwick Lane, past Cutlers Hall and Stationers Hall. At the end of Warwick Lane turn Left and go along Ludgate Hill/Cannon Street, past St. Paul's Cathedral (SP: Royal Connections) on your left to Mansion House Underground Station which is on the opposite side of the road. Turn Left here into Queen Victoria Street, go past the City of London Magistrates Court to The Mansion House (and Bank Underground Station).

# Q3. The Mansion House is the large columned building which is side-ways on across Walbrook from the Magistrates Court. What colour are the iron gates and windows grills? A3:

Turn Right at the Mansion House into Walbrook, past St. Stephens Walbrook to Cannon Street. Turn Right and go back towards Mansion House Tube Station. At the Station, bear Left into Queen Victoria Street and go past

Cole Abbey Presbyterian Church and the Salvation Army Headquarters to Peters Hill, cross over here (using pedestrian crossing) with St Pauls Cathedral in front of you and Turn immediately left with the College of Arms on your left and continue along Queen Victoria Street. Pass under the railway bridge, passing the Black Friar public House and Blackfriars Station, cross over Farringdon Street and bear left passing Unilever House (100 Victoria Embankment – brown sign to right of entrance) onto Victoria Embankment.

Continue along Victoria Embankment, pass the City of London Dragon (statue) passing Inner Temple Gardens until you reach Temple Place, Turn Right here. At Temple Underground Station Turn Right into Arundel Street. At the end of Arundel Street cross over Strand, to St. Clement Danes Church, this is the Central Church of the Royal Air Force.

## Q4. Who are the 2 RAF statues of infront of the church? A4:

Leave the church in same direction as before onto Aldwych (Australia House will be to your left) and Right into Kingsway. Go along Kingsway and turn Left into Great Queen Street (4th Left). Travel along Great Queen Street, past the Grand Connaught Rooms and Freemasons Hall, and then cross over Drury Lane and go along Long Acre. Take the next Left, Bow Street. At the former Bow Street Magistrates Court, cross over Bow Street at the zebra crossing and continue in same direction crossing Floral Street (the former Bow Street Police Station is on the opposite side of the road, <a href="https://bowstreetpolicemuseum.org.uk/">https://bowstreetpolicemuseum.org.uk/</a>) and after passing the entrance to the Royal Opera House (SP – Royal Connections) Turn Right into Russell Street and ahead into Covent Garden Market. Turn Right and walk around the market, at the other end of the market building go straight into King Street. Cross over Garrick Street and into New Row. At the end of New Row cross St. Martins Lane and enter St. Martins Court.

Turn Right out of St. Martins Court and cross over Charing Cross Road at the traffic lights next to Leicester Square Underground Station and left into Craybourn Street.

# Q5. At The Hippodrome Casino (entrance is diagonally opposite the Leicester Square Underground Station). To the left of the entrance – who was named as the theatre architect? A6:

Continue along Cranbourn Street and into Leicester Square. Go across the Square past the Empire to Coventry Street passing the Trocadero to Piccadilly Circus (Underground Station here).

Go across Piccadilly Circus bear slight right and into Regent Street (in approx. 100m you will pass a brown 54-62 Regent Street sign so you know you are going in the right direction). Walk along Regent Street passing Hamleys (toy shop) and turn Left into Hanover Street (by no 227 Regent Street), leading to Hanover square.

### Q6: In Hanover Square, on the statue - what year was William Pitt Born? You can either give your answer in Roman Numbers or conventional numbers A6:

Go straight across the square and into Brook Street. You will pass Claridge's Hotel as you walk along Brook Street to Grosvenor Square. Note the plaque on the building on the right to John Adams, 2<sup>nd</sup> President of the United States just before you cross Duke Street and walk through Grosvenor Square (former location of the US Embassy in Lindon). Carry on going straight to Upper Brook Street. At the end you will come out in Park Lane, turn right and walk up to **Marble Arch Underground Station (Central Line) [Finish].** 

Welcome back. We hope you have enjoyed the Clerkenwell and City Trail.