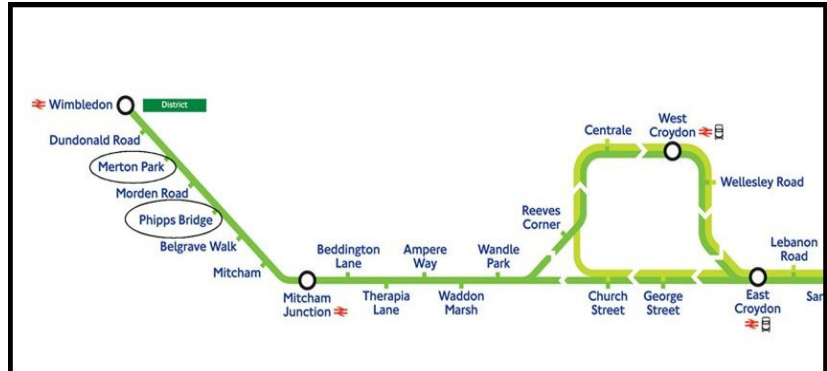


Exploring the Croydon Tramlink
on Tuesday 29 July 2014

This visit has been organised by Stanley Melinek.

The visit: This visit will take us on the Croydon Tramlink, a major addition to London's public transport infrastructure opened in 2000. Starting at East Croydon Station, we travel to Phipps Bridge Station to visit Morden Hall Park which has many features of interest. After lunch at the National Trust restaurant, we shall see the Deen City Urban Farm before walking to Collier's Wood Station where the trip finishes.

The Morden Hall Park area was once owned by Westminster Abbey and a country house was established there during the reign of Henry VIII. The site includes a snuff mill, a second hand bookshop, a garden centre with an interesting collection of fish and a park with meadows/wetland/woodland and bird habitats. See <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/morden-hall-park> for further detail. The site also features a number of ecological (energy saving) features and an organic garden. We hope to arrange a conducted tour in the morning.



Where and when to meet. We meet 10am, East Croydon Station.

How to get there: **Car:** best avoided in London rush hour. **Rail:** see the Transport-for-London journey planner: www.tfl.gov.uk. Possible trains are the 9.36 from Victoria and the 9.42 from London Bridge.

Lunch: Lunch is on site at the National Trust restaurant. (Note- an early lunch is recommended for the greatest choice of hot dishes, which may otherwise be sold out. Sandwiches and cakes are also available).

Timetable:

10:00	Assemble at East Croydon Station to take the tram to Phipps Bridge Station.
10:45 approx.	Walk to visitors centre in Morden Hall Park (adjacent to the Snuff Mill)
11:00 – 12:00	Guided Tour
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch at restaurant.
15:00	Meet outside the restaurant for short walk to Deen City urban farm
16:00	Walk to Collier's Wood station (Northern line). Depart.

Numbers: 10 – 20. **Costs:** £12.00 per head. A freedom pass or zone 1-6 travelcard will be required.

Contacts: Before the trip, contact the organiser Stanley Melinek at sj.melinek@ntlworld.com. On the day, contact Stanley on 07961 699 155 or Tony Colclough on 07801 698 336. If you cannot take your allocated place, Stanley may be able to re-allocate it to a reserve.

Late arrivals: Head for Phipps Bridge Station on the tramline (direction: Wimbledon). On arrival catch up on foot.