

# Institute of Physics – London & South East Branch – Retired Members Section

## Shri Swaminarayan Mandir and Grand Union Canal Walk

### Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2019

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This visit has been organised by David Pick.

The Mandir is a splendid, ornate Hindu temple located in Neasden London. (<http://londonmandir.baps.org/>). The structure is hand-carved structure out of Bulgarian limestone, Carrara marble and Indian Ambaji marble. It was opened in 1995 after taking 2.5 years to erect.



After visiting the temple site we follow Brentfield Road passing an incised disc (drink at the pub on me if you can identify it) at Morland Gardens to reach our planned lunch stop, the Grand Junction Arms, a canal side Pub, <https://www.grandjunctionarmsnw10.co.uk/> which has bench seating on the Grand Union Canal. Non walkers can return to Central London via Harlesden Station or by bus.



Passing over the canal bridge we join the Grand Union Canal for a 4 mile stroll back to little Venice and Paddington Station. The towpath is a concrete path all the way and is easy walking. Parked along the canal bank is a variety of narrow boats of all styles and decoration. Coots, Canadian geese and the odd tame heron can also be seen.



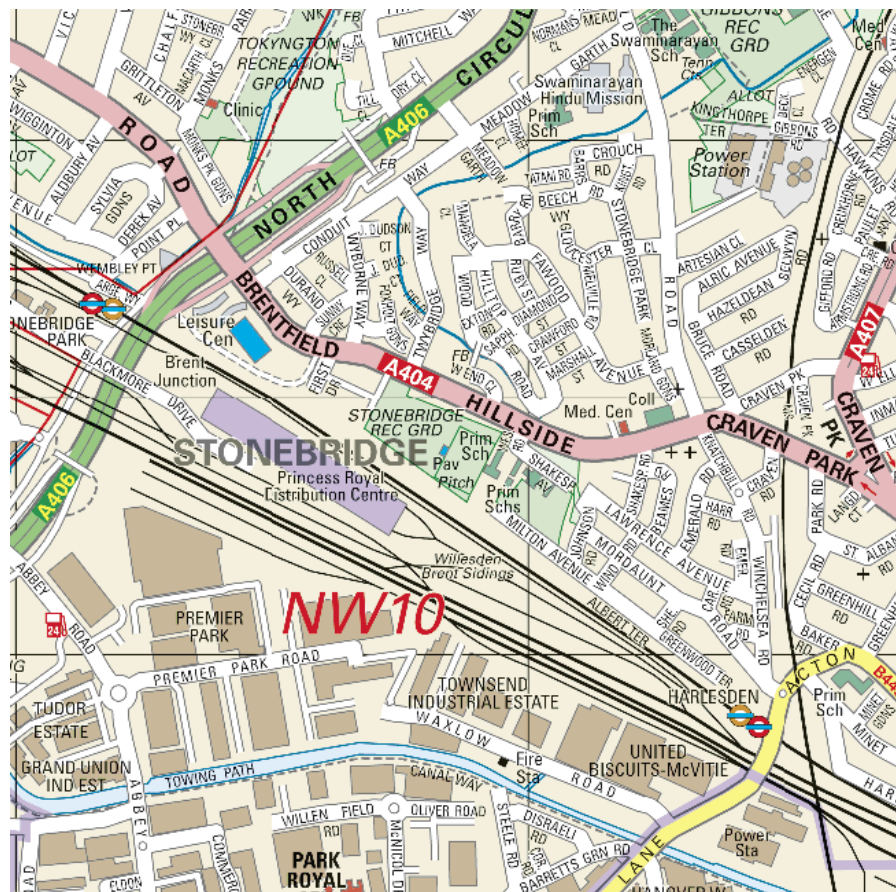


**Where and when to meet:** Paddington Station forecourt by The Lawn facing the ticket barriers at the head of the arriving trains at 10.30 and then the Bakerloo line to Stonebridge Park.

**Registration:** there is no need to register for this event. Just turn up!

**Cost:** free to join, but travel and lunch paid for individually.

**Map** from Streetmap



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