

Walk through the park and out into Lakefield Road. Cross Westbury Avenue into Hawke Park Road and then into **Belmont Recreation Ground** 3. Turn left and walk past Belmont Primary School and continue until you come to the exit on Downhills Park Road. Turn left into Downhills Park Road and, at the roundabout, cross Belmont Road by the pedestrian crossing and enter **Downhills Park** 1.

In the eighteenth century there was a grand house here set in extensive grounds. In 1899, after a

campaign by local residents, Tottenham Urban District Council purchased the house and grounds. The house was demolished and the gardens incorporated into a new park opened to the public in 1903. There is an active Friends of Downhills Park group and the park was awarded a Green Flag in 2006.

Walk along the northern edge of Downhills Park and take the exit on your left into Downhills Park Road. Cross the road and go straight into **Lordship Recreation Ground 1**. Lordship Rec opened in 1936. It underwent major redevelopment in 2012 including rerouting and landscaping of the River Moselle, restoration of the Shell Theatre and the nationally unique Model Traffic Area, and the building of an environmental centre called the 'Hub' which has a café and toilets.

Follow the path downhill alongside the woods. Turn right when you come to the impressive bike sculpture and walk through the Model Traffic Area until you come to the Hub. When you are alongside the Hub turn sharp left onto a little path which goes along the side of the lake. This will take you to one of the new bridges over the River Moselle. Cross over this bridge, the little island and then a second bridge. Turn right and then left leaving the Shell Theatre and skateboarding area on your right. Continue until you exit the park on to Lordship Lane through the wonderfully restored gates.

Cross Lordship Lane by the zebra crossing and walk into Waltheof Avenue. You are now in **Tower Gardens conservation area**. This estate was built by the London County Council between 1904 and 1913. It is one of the earliest Arts and Crafts style 'cottage' garden suburbs with similarities to Hampstead Garden Suburb (although obviously with smaller homes) and Letchworth Garden City.

Take the second right into Risley Avenue. If you have time you can visit **Tower Gardens Park** a little further along on your right. Continue into The

Roundway and cross the road by the pedestrian crossing in front

of Risley Avenue Primary School. Then turn right. On the southern side of The Roundway is the small **Peabody Cottages conservation area** but it is mainly hidden behind a high wall (you have to enter it from Lordship Lane).

Continue into All Hallows Road. You are now in **Bruce Castle conservation area**. Turn left into Church Lane. Pass the Grade II* listed building called The Priory (originally a private house) and the medieval All Hallows Church, Tottenham's original parish church, which is also Grade II* listed **3**.



The Old Oak, Bruce Castle Park

Continuing along Church Lane you pass the Edwardian lodge building for Tottenham Cemetery which was converted into a state of the art mortuary in 2009. The lodge and the cemetery behind it are part of the **Tottenham Cemetery conservation area**. Straight ahead at the end of Church Lane is Prospect Place, a row of listed Regency cottages built in 1822 to commemorate victory over Napoleon.

Retrace your steps, enter **Bruce Castle Park** and end your walk at Bruce Castle Museum, the jewel in Haringey's crown, a Grade I listed building dating from the sixteenth century. The museum is open Wednesday to Sunday 1pm to 5pm. A new park cafe is due to open in 2014.

