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Route Guide & Hazard Awareness

**QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL - WOOLWICH
PLUMSTEAD - THAMESMEAD - ABBEY WOOD STATION**



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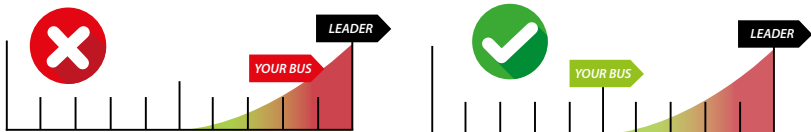
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INFORMATION

CHANGEOVER | THAMESMEAD

Changeovers will take place at Thamesmead.

Always communicate in advance with iBus if you are late for any reason.



Route 244 is a high frequency route. Headway is a measurement of the distance or time between buses. You can tell that you are on the correct Headway by using the iBus Headway indicator in the cab.

IMPORTANT: You must keep your bus as close to the middle of the indicator as possible. Take action and drop back if you are closing in to the bus in front.

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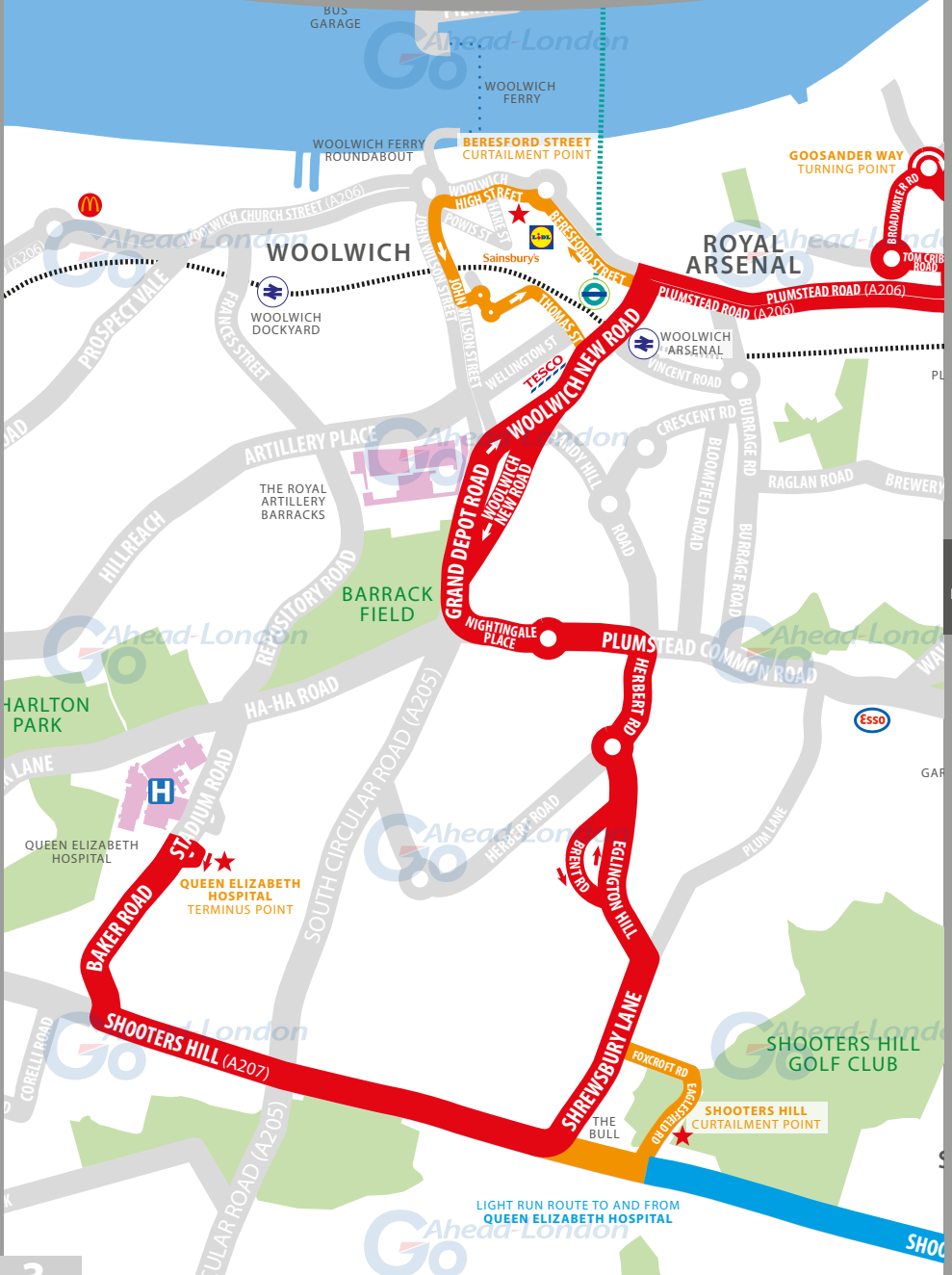
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WOOLWICH AND THAMESMEAD

THIS GUIDE IS
DESIGNED TO
ASSIST YOU ON
ROUTE 244.
ENJOY!

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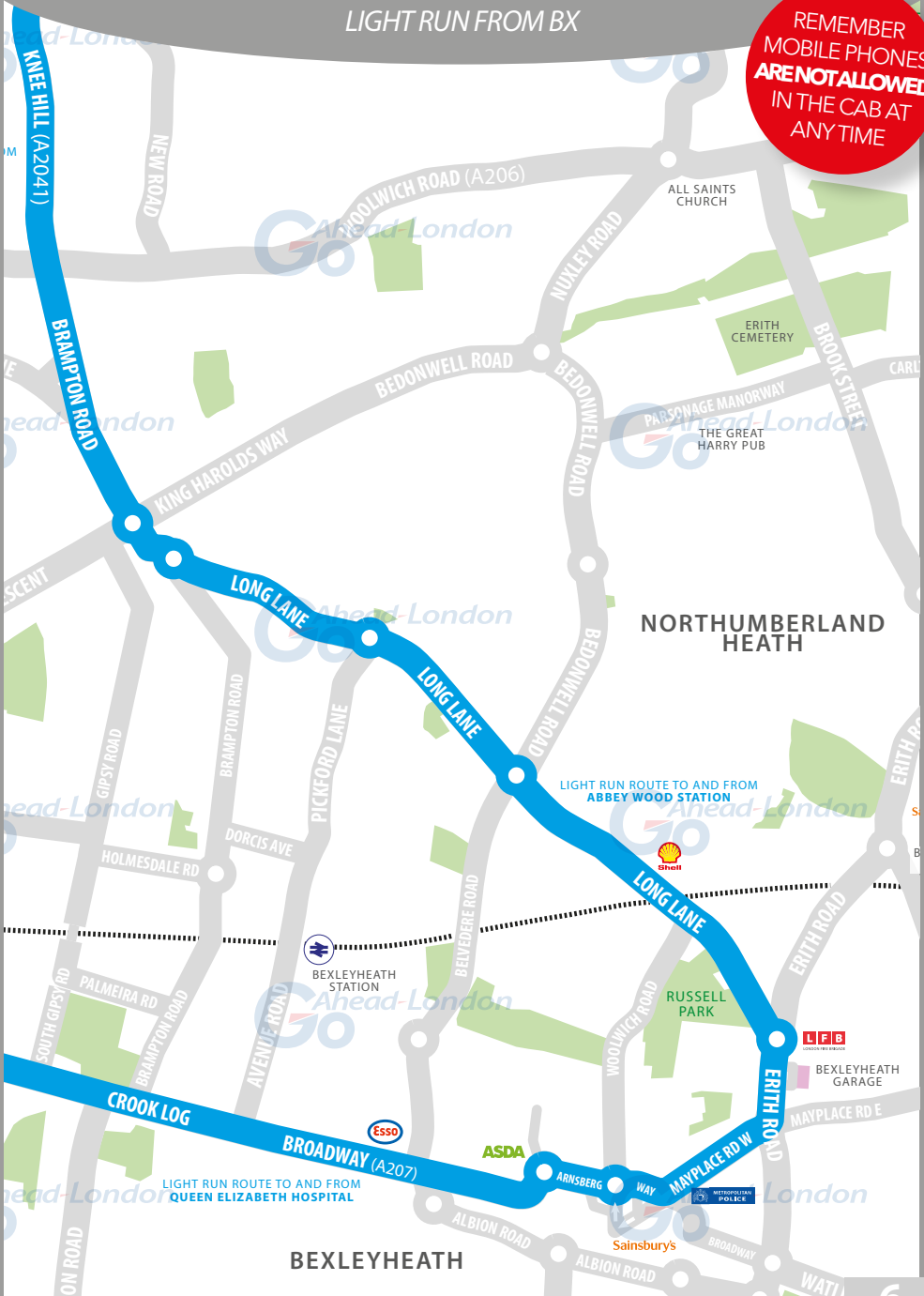
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ROUTE 244 MAP

LIGHT RUN FROM BX

REMEMBER
MOBILE PHONES
ARE NOT ALLOWED
IN THE CAB AT
ANYTIME



RUNNING LIGHT

RUNNING OUT OF SERVICE

IMPORTANT
LOG OFF IBUS
IMMEDIATELY
IF RUNNING
LIGHT

TO ABBEYWOOD STATION

- From **Bexleyheath garage**, turn right onto Erith Road **A220**
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Long Lane
- At 2nd roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Long Lane
- At 3rd roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Long Lane
- At 4th roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Brampton Road
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Brampton Road
- At traffic light, continue ahead onto Knee Hill **A2041**
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Knee Hill
- Follow road to the right onto Abbey Wood Road **B213**
- Continue ahead onto Abbey Road (*under bridge*) **B213**
- Turn left onto Fossington Road
- At junction, turn left onto Fendyke Road
- At junction, turn left onto Florence Road
- At junction, turn right onto Abbey Road (*under bridge*) **B213**
- Follow the road left onto Knee Hill to **stand** in front of **stop E**

FROM ABBEYWOOD STATION

- From **stop E**, continue ahead on Knee Hill
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Knee Hill **A2041**
- At traffic light, continue ahead onto Brampton Road
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Brampton Road
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Long Lane
- At 2nd roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Long Lane
- At 3rd roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Long Lane
- At 4th roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Erith Road **A220**
- Continue ahead on Erith Road to **Bexleyheath garage**

RUNNING LIGHT

RUNNING OUT OF SERVICE

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IF RUNNING
LIGHT

TO QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL

- From **Bexleyheath garage**, turn left onto Erith Road **A220**
- At traffic light, turn right onto Mayplace Road West **A221**
- At junction, follow the road right onto Arnsberg Way **A221**
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Arnsberg Way **A221**
- At 2nd roundabout, take 1st exit onto Arnsberg Way **A221**
- Continue ahead onto Broadway **A221**
- Continue ahead onto Broadway **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Crook Log **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Park View Road **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Welling High Street **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Bellegrove Road **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Shooters Hill **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Shooters Hill Road (*junction of South Circular Rd*) **A207**
- At traffic light, turn right onto Baker Road
- Continue ahead onto Stadium Road to **stand**

FROM QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL

- At **stand**, turn right to Stadium Road
- At junction, turn left onto Stadium Road and continue ahead onto Baker Rd
- At traffic light, turn left onto Shooters Hill Road **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Shooters Hill (*junction of South Circular Rd*) **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Bellegrove Road **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Welling High Street **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Park View Road **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Crook Log **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Broadway **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Broadway to Arnsberg Way **A221**
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Arnsberg Way **A221**
- At 2nd roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Arnsberg Way **A221**
- Follow the road left onto Mayplace Road West **A221**
- At traffic light, turn left onto Erith Road to **Bexleyheath garage**

ROUTE DIRECTIONS

RUNNING IN SERVICE

**NEVER
DIVERT OFF
LINE-OF-ROUTE
UNLESS ADVISED
BY IBUS**

TO ABBEYWOOD STATION

- At **stand**, turn right to Stadium Road
- At junction, turn left onto Stadium Road and continue ahead onto Baker Rd
- At traffic light, turn left onto Shooters Hill Road **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Shooters Hill **A207**
- Turn left onto Shrewsbury Lane (*at junction of The Bull*)
- Turn left onto Eglinton Hill
- At roundabout, take 3rd exit onto Herbert Road
- At traffic light, turn left onto Plumstead Common Road
- Continue ahead onto Nightingale Place
- At traffic light, turn right onto Woolwich New Road **A205**
- At traffic light, turn right onto Grand Depot Road
- Continue ahead onto Woolwich New Road (*through Woolwich town centre*)
- At traffic light, turn right onto Plumstead Road **A206**
- At one-way system, follow road to the left onto Pettman Crescent **A206**
- Take next left onto Tom Cribb Road
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Broadwater Road
- At roundabout, take 3rd exit onto Goosander Way
- Follow the road left onto Whinchat Road
- Continue ahead onto Warepoint Drive
- At roundabout, take 3rd exit onto Merbury Road
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Battery Road
- At Western Way Roundabout, circumnavigate Western Way Roundabout
- Serve Princess Alice bus stop and Belmarsh Prison bus stop on the other-side
- Continue eastbound onto Western Way **A2016**
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Central Way **A2041**
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Central Way **A2041**
- At Twin Tumps Way roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Central Way **A2041**
- At Thamesmere Drive roundabout, take 3rd exit onto Bentham Road
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Bentham Road
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Bentham Road
- At Boiler House roundabout, take 3rd exit onto Carlyle Road **A2041**
- At roundabout (*over Eastern Way*), take 2nd exit onto Harrow Manorway **A2041**
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Harrow Manorway **A2041**
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Harrow Manorway (*Sainsbury's on right*) **A2041**
- At roundabout, take 3rd exit on Knee Hill (see map) to **stand**

ROUTE DIRECTIONS

RUNNING IN SERVICE

IMPORTANT
PLEASE ENSURE
YOU USE YOUR
RIBAS KEY ON
EVERY TRIP

TO QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL

- From **first bus stop**, continue ahead
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Harrow Manorway **A2041**
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Harrow Manorway (*Sainsbury's on left*) **A2041**
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Harrow Manorway **A2041**
- At Boiler House roundabout, take 1st exit onto Bentham Road
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Bentham Road
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Bentham Road
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Thamesmere Drive
- Circumnavigate the roundabout at the end of Thamesmere Drive
- At Thamesmere Drive roundabout, take 3rd exit onto Central Way **A2041**
- At Twin Tumps Way roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Central Way **A2041**
- At roundabout, take 2nd exit onto Central Way **A2041**
- At roundabout, take 3rd exit onto Western Way **A2016**
- Take slip road and serve Belmarsh Prison bus stop
- At traffic light, turn right onto Western Way and then Battery Road
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Merbury Road
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Warepoint Drive
- Continue ahead onto Whinchat Road
- Follow the road right onto Goosander Way
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Broadwater Road
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Tom Cribb Road
- At junction, turn left onto Pettman Crescent (one-way system) **A206**
- Keep right and follow road to the right onto Pettman Crescent **A206**
- Keep right and at traffic light turn right onto Plumstead Road **A206**
- At traffic light, turn left onto Woolwich New Road (*through Woolwich town centre*)
- At junction, continue ahead onto Woolwich New Road **A205**
- At traffic light, turn left onto Nightingale Place
- At traffic light, turn right onto Herbert Road
- At roundabout, take 1st exit onto Eglinton Hill
- Turn left onto Cantwell Road
- Continue ahead onto Brent Road
- At junction, turn right onto Eglinton Hill
- At junction, turn right onto Shrewsbury Lane
- At junction, turn right onto Shooters Hill (*at junction of The Bull*) **A207**
- Continue ahead onto Shooters Hill Road **A207**
- At traffic light, turn right onto Baker Road and Stadium Road to **stand**

QUEEN ELIZABETH

TERMINUS POINT

SWITCH THE
ENGINE OFF
WHILST AT THE
STAND

From Abbey Wood. Proceed from Stadium Road via Bus Standing Area to stand. Set down in Stadium Road at **BUS STOP H3**.

Towards Abbey Wood. Depart via Bus Standing Area to Stadium Road. Pick up on Stadium Road at **BUS STOP H4**.

Public stand for 7 buses in marked areas in Bus Parking Area on east side of Stadium Road opposite Ranken House.

Blind display: **QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL.**



SHOOTERS HILL

CURTALMENT POINT

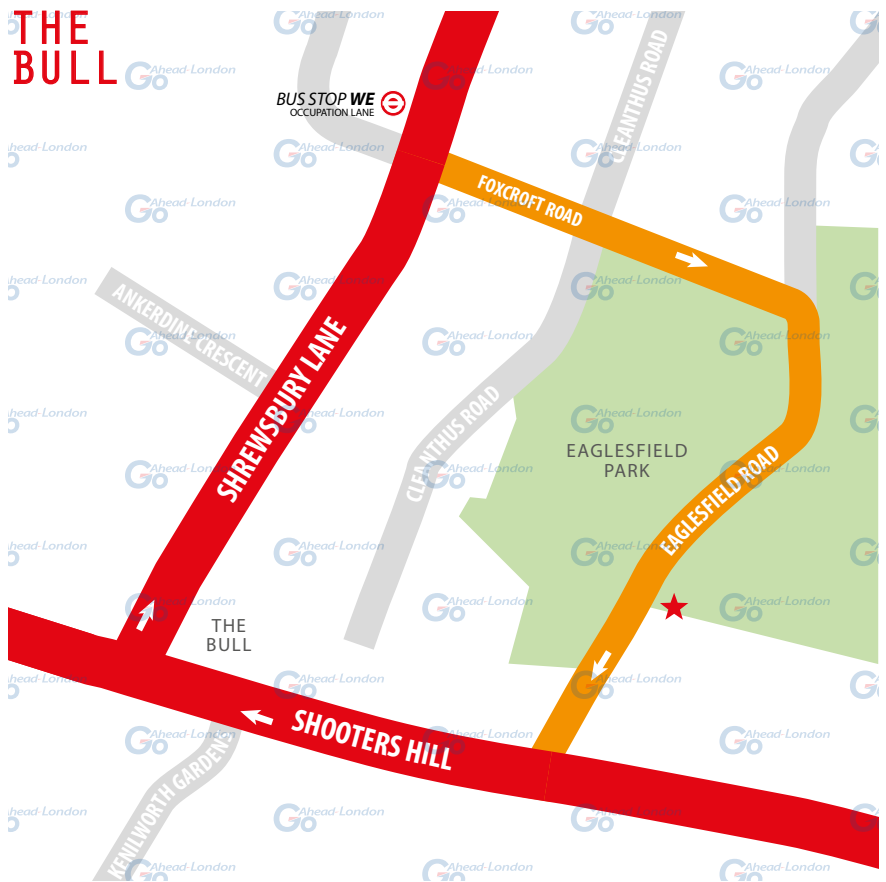
SWITCH THE
ENGINE OFF
WHILST AT THE
STAND

From Abbey Wood. Proceed from Shrewsbury Lane via Foxcroft Road and Eaglesfield Road to stand. Set down on Shrewsbury Lane.

Towards Abbey Wood. From stand, depart via Eaglesfield Road and Shooters Hill to Shrewsbury Lane. Pick up on Shrewsbury Lane at **BUS STOP WE**.

Public stand for two buses on east side of Eaglesfield Road.

Blind display: *SHOOTERS HILL, EAGLESFIELD ROAD.*



WOOLWICH

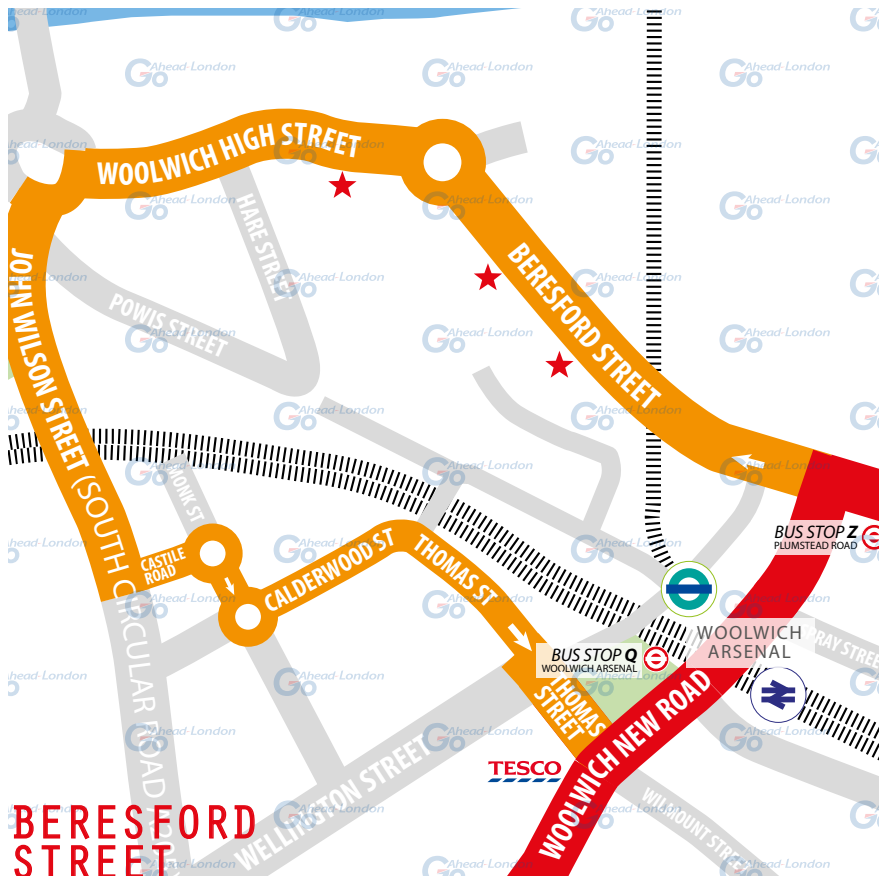
CURTAILMENT POINT

PLEASE CHECK
TRIP NUMBER
ON ETM BEFORE
DEPARTING

From Abbey Wood. Proceed from Plumstead Road via Beresford Street to stand. Set down on Plumstead Road at **BUS STOP Z**.

Towards Abbey Wood. Depart via Beresford Street, John Wilson Street, Castile Road, Monk Street, Calderwood Street and Thomas Street to Woolwich New Road. Pick up on Woolwich New Road at **BUS STOP Q**.

Public stand for ten buses on south side of Beresford Street and Woolwich High Street in 3 parts. **Blind display: WOOLWICH.**



BELMARSH PRISON

TURNING POINT

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BUSES MUST NOT STAND.

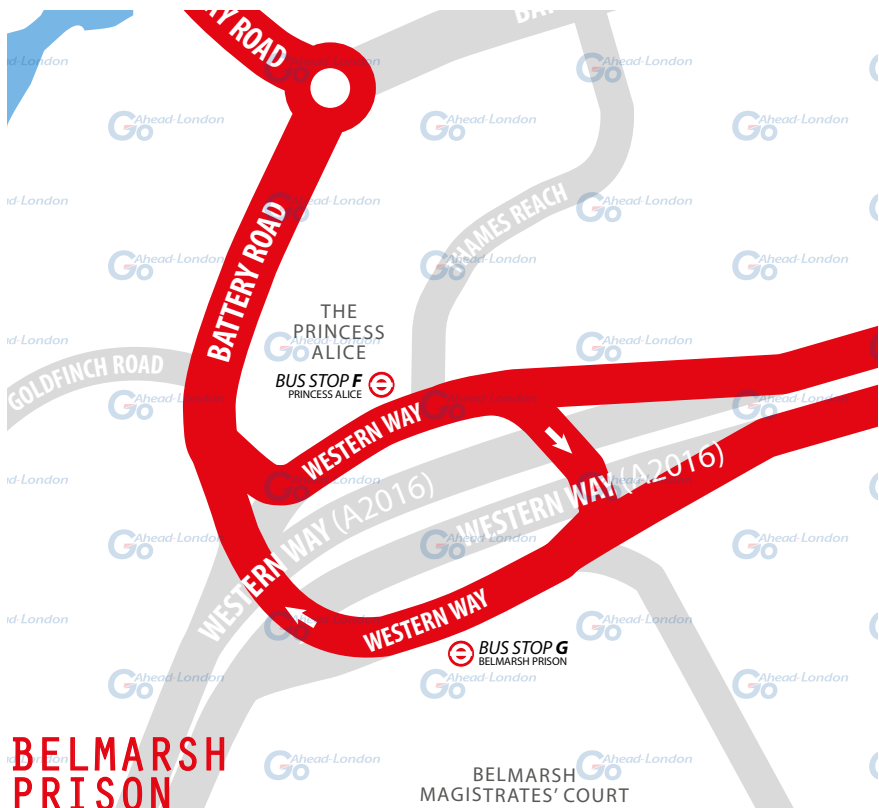
From Abbey Wood. Proceed from Western Way roundabout. Set down in Western Way roundabout at **BUS STOP G.**

Towards Abbey Wood. Depart via Western Way roundabout. Pick up on Western Way roundabout at **BUS STOP F.**

From Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Proceed from Western Way roundabout. Set down in Western Way roundabout at **BUS STOP F.**

Towards Abbey Wood. Depart via Western Way roundabout. Pick up on Western Way roundabout at **BUS STOP G.**

Turning point only - buses must not stand. **Blind display: BELMARSH.**



**BELMARSH
PRISON**

BELMARSH
MAGISTRATES' COURT

GOOSANDER WAY

TURNING POINT

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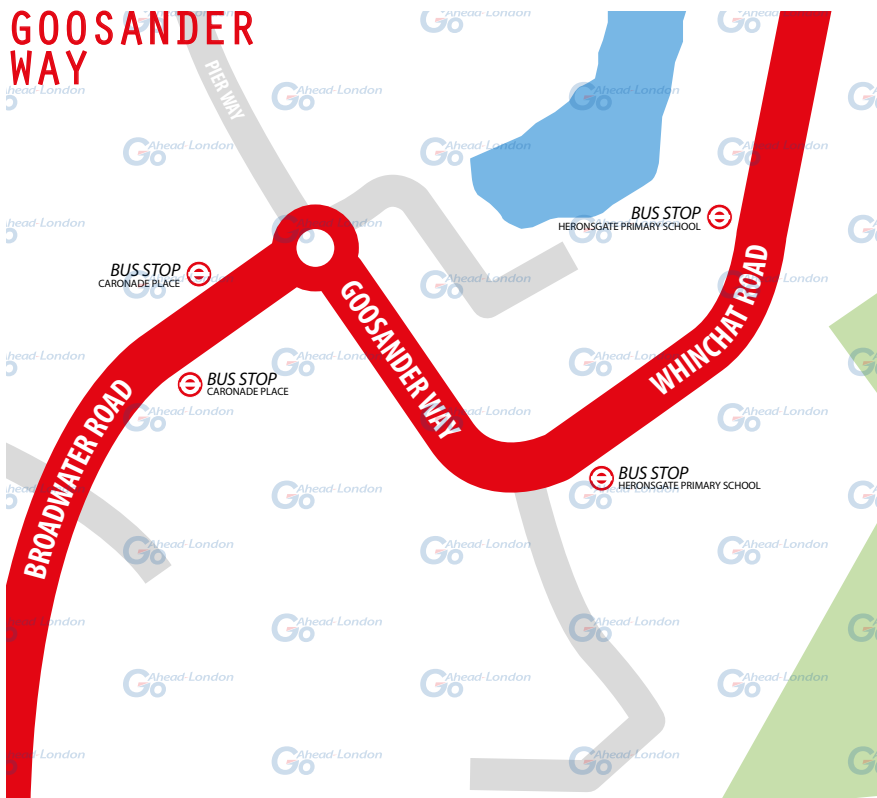
From Abbey Wood. Proceed from Whinchat Road via Goosander Way. Set down on Whinchat Road at **BUS STOP HERONSGATE SCHOOL.**

Towards Abbey Wood. Depart via Whinchat Road. Pick up on Whinchat Road at **BUS STOP HERONSGATE SCHOOL.**

From Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Proceed from Broadwater Road via Goosander Way. Set down on Broadwater Road at **BUS STOP CARONADE PLACE.**

Towards Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Depart via Broadwater Road. Pick up on Broadwater Road at **BUS STOP CARONADE PLACE.**

Turning point only - buses must not stand. **Blind display:** **BROADWATER ESTATE.**



THAMESMEAD

CURTAILMENT POINT

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DEPARTING

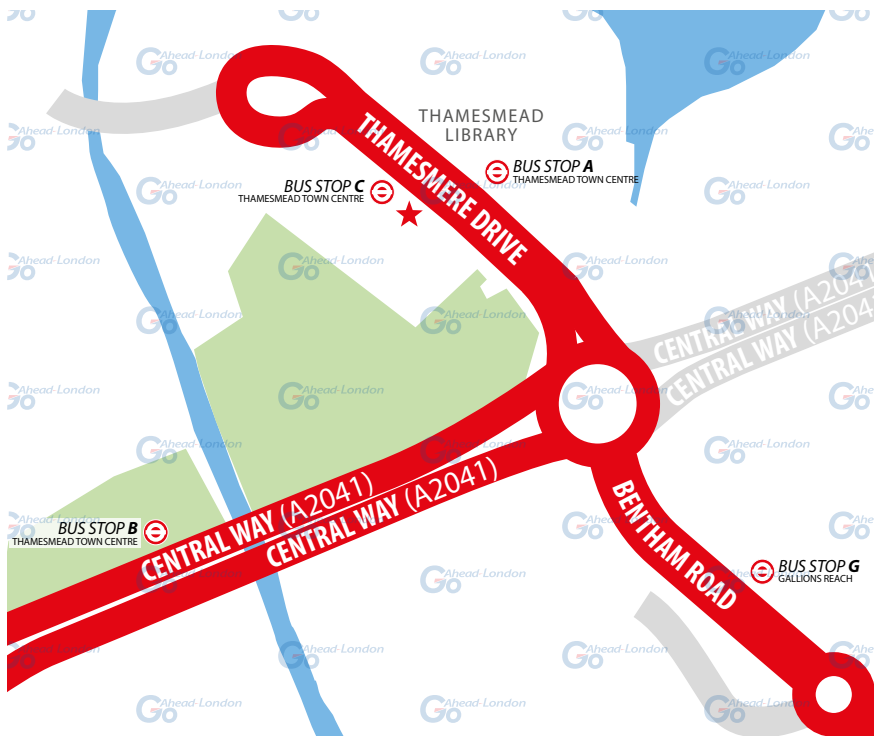
From Abbey Wood. Proceed from Thamesmere Drive direct to stand.
Set down on Thamesmere Drive at **BUS STOP C**.

Towards Abbey Wood. Depart via Thamesmere Drive, turning circle,
Thamesmere Drive and Thamesmere Drive roundabout to Bentham Road.
Pick up on Bentham Road at **BUS STOP G**.

From Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Proceed from Central Way via Thamesmere
Drive roundabout and Thamesmere Drive to stand.
Set down on Central Way at **BUS STOP B**.

Towards Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Depart via Thamesmere Drive and
turning circle to Thamesmere Drive. Pick up on Thamesmere Drive at **BUS STOP A**.

Public stand for 5 buses in lay-by on west side of Thamesmere Drive opposite
Library. **Blind display: THAMESMEAD.**



ABBEY WOOD

TERMINUS POINT

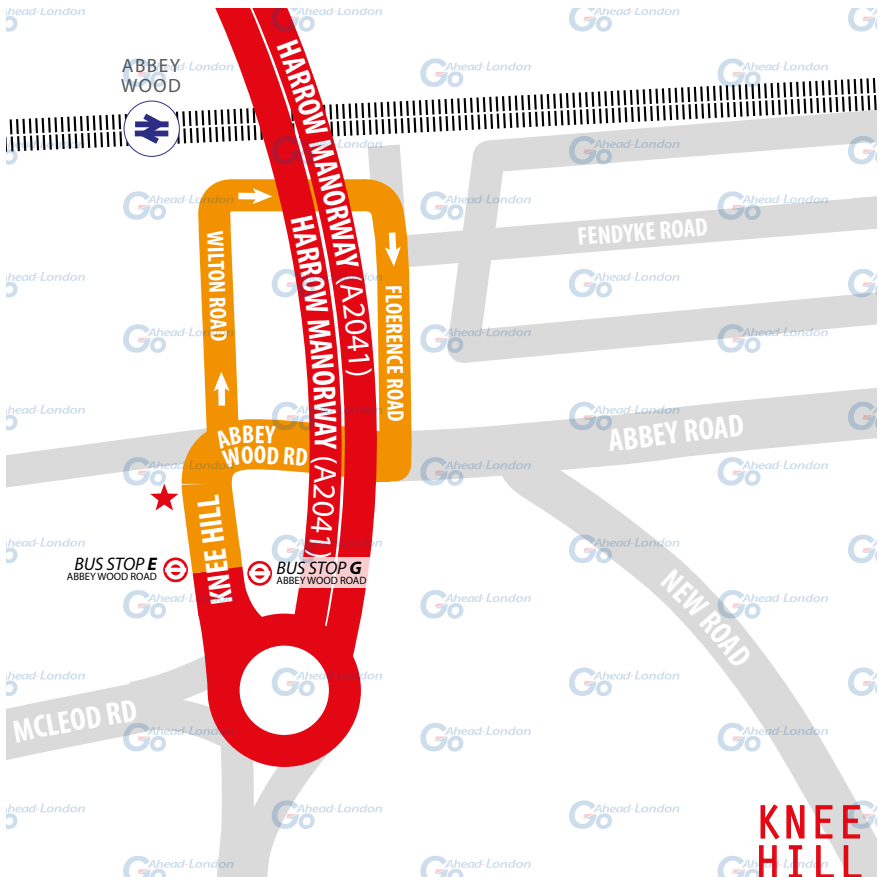
SWITCH THE
ENGINE OFF
WHILST AT THE
STAND

From Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Proceed from Knee Hill direct to stand. Set down in Knee Hill at **BUS STOP E**.

Towards Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Depart via Knee Hill, Abbey Wood Road, Wilton Road, Gayton Road, Florence Road, Abbey Road and Abbey Wood Road to Knee Hill. Pick up on Knee Hill at **BUS STOP G**.

Public stand on the west side of Knee Hill.

Blind display: **ABBEY WOOD.**



LOCAL HAZARDS & POINTS TO NOTE

FULL RISK ASSESSMENT VIEWABLE UPON REQUEST



REGENERATION PROJECT | ABBEY WOOD

Ongoing regeneration project ongoing. Please exercise care and caution.

LOW SPEED | KNEE HILL BUS STAND

Keep speed to a minimum, looking out for pedestrians.

VARIOUS HAZARDS | WILTON ROAD / GAYTON ROAD

Shopping area, train station, parked cars. Keep speed to a minimum, looking out for pedestrians and parked cars. Tight right turn onto and leaving stand.

T-JUNCTION | FLORENCE ROAD / ABBEY ROAD

Care required when exiting onto main road.

BUS LANE | HARROW MANORWAY / ABBEY WOOD STN

Care taken at end of bus lane. Be aware of vehicles cutting in from the right.

SPEED HUMPS | BENTHAM ROAD

Hawksmoor School. Keep speed to a minimum. School times extra care and caution as is very busy around the school with pedestrians and parked cars.

LOW SPEED | THAMESMEAD DRIVE

Bus stand, leisure centre. Keep speed to a minimum, look out for pedestrians, buses and other vehicles.

BUS STOP | CENTRAL WAY SHOPPING CENTRE

Give good indication when serving / departing the bus stop.

SHOPPING CENTRE | WAREPOINT RD / WHINCHAT ROAD

Speed bumps (some very steep), parked cars, shopping area. Keep speed down to a minimum, look out for pedestrians and give way to oncoming traffic.

TIGHT BEND | WHINCHAT ROAD HERONSGATE SCHOOL

Tight bend with traffic island. Keep speed to minimum and use extreme caution with good observation, especially during school term due to parking issues.

PARKED VEHICLES | BROADWATER

Narrow road. Give way to traffic be aware of speed humps.

LOCAL HAZARDS & POINTS TO NOTE

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PARKED VEHICLES | PLUMSTEAD ROAD / STATION

Parked cars at bus stop and speed camera. Drive with caution and look out for pedestrians, parked cars and keep speed within the limit.

VARIOUS HAZARDS | WOOLWICH NEW ROAD

Shopping centre, train and DLR station, pedestrian movement. Be aware of pedestrians crossing without looking, in preparation to stop if pedestrians cross, delivery vehicles, other buses, low kerb area.

TESCO CAR PARK | WOOLWICH NEW ROAD

Be aware of cars trying to make illegal right turn into car park.

RESTRICTED VIEW | NIGHTINGALE ROAD / HERBERT ROAD

Tight turn into and out of junction across traffic flow. Be aware of pedestrians crossing, vehicles approaching, proceed at minimum speed.

VARIOUS HAZARDS | HERBERT ROAD

Shopping area, parked cars, narrow passing areas. Use minimum speed, look out for pedestrians, and give way to oncoming traffic. Extreme caution when lorries unloading at Co-op as visibility is at a minimum.

PARKED VEHICLES / NARROW ROAD | EGLINTON HILL

Give way to oncoming traffic. Plan ahead and proceed with caution.

VARIOUS HAZARDS | CANTWELL ROAD / BRENT ROAD

Speed bumps, parked cars, tight passing areas. Keep speed to a minimum, give way to oncoming traffic.

T-JUNCTION | BRENT ROAD / EGLINTON HILL

T Junction with restricted view. Care and caution when pulling out.

SPEED HUMPS | SHREWSBURY LANE

Parked cars. Keep speed to a minimum.

BUSY MAIN ROAD | SHREWSBURY LANE / SHOOTERS HILL

Very busy main road. T junction. Care and caution when pulling out.

LOCAL HAZARDS & POINTS TO NOTE

FULL RISK ASSESSMENT VIEWABLE UPON REQUEST



BUS LANE | SHOOTERS HILL POLICE STATION

Bus lane and right lane filter at lights. Watch for vehicles moving across to the left at end of bus lane.

BUS LANE | BAKER ROAD / SHOOTERS HILL ROAD

Bus lane filtered left turn. Care and caution when pulling out as bus lane is not traffic light controlled.

BUS LANE | BAKER ROAD / QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL

Right turn on/off of bus stand, alighting at stand, public car park. Look out for pedestrians and vehicle movements. Hi Vis to be worn when walking in area. When alighting vehicle at stand, take extreme care looking left for oncoming vehicles before alighting. Make use of handrail when alighting vehicle due to height of step to road surface.

SCHOOLS | ALONG ROUTE

Hawksmoor School, Hawksmoor Primary School, Woolwich Polytechnic School. Heronsgate Primary School, Ark Greenwich Free School. Keep speed to a minimum, be aware of pedestrians, unattended children, parked cars – especially at school times.

AT THE GARAGE

GARAGE AND GENERAL SAFETY INFORMATION

BE VISIBLE
**WEAR YOUR
HI-VIS** WITHIN
THE GARAGE

GO SLOW!
MANDATORY
SPEED OF 5 MPH
WITHIN THE
GARAGE

BE NOTICED
HEADLIGHTS
ON AT ALL TIMES
IN THE GARAGE

STICK TO
DESIGNATED
PATHS AND
WALKWAYS

NO EXCUSES
PLEASE ABIDE BY
THE RULES. IT'S
MANDATORY!

BE AWARE.
REPORT ALL
HAZARDS
IMMEDIATELY

REMEMBER
**LOOK OUT
FOR CYCLISTS**
DRIVE SLOWLY

DO NOT USE
**MOBILES OR
HEADPHONES** IN
BUS MOVEMENT
AREA

**USE THE
HORN** WHEN
APPROACHING
CORNERS &
REVERSING

HYBRID BUSES
ARE SILENT. BE
EXTRA CAUTIOUS
WHILST ON THE
MOVE!

FUEL, OIL &
COOLANT SPILLS
CAN MAKE THE
SURFACE SLIPPERY
BE AWARE

FAMILIARISE
YOURSELF WITH
THE GARAGE
SAFETY CODE

THINK FIRST AND



OTHER INFORMATION

CODES AND EMERGENCY RADIO PROCEDURES

REMAIN CALM:
GIVE ACCURATE
INFORMATION.
WE'RE HERE
TO ASSIST!

ROUTE 244 | CURTAILMENT ABBREVIATIONS:

QEH	Queen Elizabeth Hospital	SH	Shooters Hill
WOOL	Woolwich, Beresford Street	BP	Belmarsh Prison
GW	Goosander Way	TMD	Thamesmead
AW	Abbey Wood, Knee Hill		

FACILITIES | THROUGHOUT THE ROUTE

- **Abbey Wood temp stand toilets.** Keypad access.
- **Queen Elizabeth Hospital.** Main block/signposted.

If you urgently need to use a facility, please inform iBus immediately.

CODE RED | EMERGENCY RADIO PROCEDURE

If you require the Emergency Services to attend your vehicle (for example in the event of passenger injury, assault or major RTA), you should contact CentreComm using the radio's Code Red facility. To call CentreComm, **hold down the Code Red button on your vehicle's radio for at least 3 seconds** until you hear a ringing tone to indicate that your call has been connected. Hold down the foot switch in the cab when you are speaking, and end what you have to say with the word "over" to indicate that you expect a response, or "over and out" if this is the end of your communication. Release the foot switch when you are not speaking. Remember to speak slowly and clearly. Note that you will usually receive a radio call from your depot shortly after you make a Code Red call. **You should not use the radio whilst the vehicle is in motion.**

CODE
GREEN

Call your garage for non-emergency, mechanical defects, help or advice

CODE
BLUE

Call CentreComm for non-emergency, incident reporting or diversions

CODE
RED

Call CentreComm for emergency services, passenger injury or assault