



# Kneller Gardens Accessibility Guide

# Description

The park is popular with dog walkers and families. The park is on the junction of two rivers - the River Crane and the Duke of Northumberland's River.

The green space is part of the River Crane Walk, a linear walk from Twickenham to Feltham.

There is no barrier at the river edge. There is a grass strip between the path and the river.

Address:

Meadway, Twickenham, TW2 6PH

# Facilities in the park

- Kiosk serving light refreshments
- Football pitches
- Two tennis courts
- Table tennis
- Basketball court
- Play equipment for under 13s and older children
- Outdoor gym equipment
- Cycle Parking
- Tactile sculptures and carvings

# Visiting the park

The park is accessible at all times.

## Transport

The nearest train station is Whitton 800 metres (0.5 miles) from the park.

The park is served by the following bus routes: 110, 490 and H22. The nearest bus stop is 1200 meters (0.73 miles) from the park entrance.

There is cycle parking next to the children's playground.

See route plotter to plan your route in the car, on foot or by bike.

https://www.plotaroute.com/routeplanner

### Parking

There is no car parking within the park.

There is meter parking on the streets surrounding the park including Meadway.

#### **Disabled Parking**

There is one designated Blue Badge parking located on Meadway 60 meters from the park entrance.

#### Park access

There are 4 pedestrian access points to the park. Two from Meadway and 2 from Mereway Road. All entrances have level access at the entrance / exits points although there is a gentle slope over the bridges from Mereway Road. Access off Meadway. This entrance is close to the Blue Badge Parking. There is a slight slope as you enter the park.





The other two access points are across bridges over the river - one off Mereway Road and another from Mereway Nature Park.

Access to Kneller Gardens from Mereway Nature Park is across the Kingfisher Bridge.



Mereway Road entrance has a narrow access with chicanes and an easy slope over the bridge.





#### **Entrance to facilities**

The **children's playground** is fenced and there is a gate wide enough for wheelchair access. The **natural play area** is not fenced.

**Outdoor gym area** is open access, but it is necessary to cross a grassed area to access it.

The **table tennis table** is open access and situated on tarmac.

The **tennis courts** are fenced and accessed via a shallow slope. It is necessary to book the courts and there is keypad entry to the courts.



#### **Basketball courts**

The basketball courts are fenced and accessed via 3 steps.



#### Paths

There are surfaced paths throughout the park.

All the paths are wide enough for wheelchair users.

There are no steps on the paths. There are some easy slopes leading from central path to the riverside paths.

There is a circular walk around the park on surfaced paths



There is no barrier at the river edge but there is a wide grassed / scrub verge between the path and river.



There are gentle slopes on paths towards the river edge



## Benches

There are some bench seats situated along the paths for people to rest.

There are 2 wheelchair accessible picnic tables located in playground areas.



There are quiet areas along the river walks with some seating.

#### Toilets

There are toilet facilities available for public use situated in the pavilion building at the centre of the park. Access to the toilets is from the front of the pavilion facing the playground.

The toilets are accessed via a ramp with an easy slope and a handrail, or 3 steps that lead to the toilets.

The steps are a medium height, clearly marked and have handrails on both sides.



There are 3 separate toilets male, female and accessible toilets. There are baby changing facilities within the accessible toilet.

#### Food Kiosk

There is a food kiosk in the pavilion building at the centre of the park. There are outdoor seating areas. The food kiosk has a low level serving counter and large print backboard menus.



Access to the kiosk serving area is from a ramp with an easy slope and a handrail or 2 steps. The steps are a medium height, clearly marked and have handrails on both sides.



A bowl of water can be provided for an assistance dog.

#### Playgrounds

There is a selection of play equipment suitable for disabled visitors, including a nest swing.

There are several benches in the playground area.





#### Outdoor gym

There is an outdoor gym with a selection of equipment, some suitable for disabled visitors.



#### **Other activities**

There are tactile sculptures and carvings around the park.

There is a monthly organised walk in the park with a Pets as Therapy dog.

There is a downloadable Sensory Trail leaflet.