**London to Brighton – The Prologue, Wednesday 16th May 2018**

9 walkers, 9 miles – leader Jerome Ripp

Cool cloudy evening for the start of this year-long Thames to Channel traverse. From Wandsworth Town station we were soon on the green spaces of Wandsworth common passing the imposing Royal Victoria building and joining the Capital Ring to Tooting Lido and Streatham Common. An urban section headed to Mitcham Common with a small nature reserve, created out of old railway sidings. The sun came out for the last stretch to give us a lovely sunset over a small lake on Mitcham Common and some good views from the hillocks. A fine end to the walk for the birthday girl in the group.

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