

## Notes on Walk 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021

The walk started from the south bank of the River Thames under Hungerford Bridge by the Royal Festival Hall and followed the Thames Towpath to Greenwich finishing alongside the Cutty Sark. The route passed many points of interest which included several Tideway Sites, Blackfriars Bridge and the station, Tate Modern, Millennium Bridge, Globe Theatre, Golden Hinde, Shard, London Bridge Station, Hays Galleria, HMS Belfast, City Hall, Tower Bridge which was raised for a sailing barge as we approached.

Downstream of Tower Bridge we saw the Tideway Chamber's Wharf site and the gantry used for handling the tunnel boring machines. We passed the Mayflower pub from where the Pilgrim Fathers had sailed to America in 1620 and stopped briefly at the Brunel Museum, where Tom Collins gave us a short talk about the museum and its history. We went past several wharfs as we continued to the Ship and Whale for lunch.

After lunch we continued along the path to Greenwich by way of Deptford Naval dockyards and Deptford Strand.

The length of the walk was approximately 8 miles and 27 walkers took part.

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