# A driver's guide to **Route R2** Biggin Hill Valley-Orpington, Walnuts Centre





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## **Out of Service Routeings**

## **To Orpington** Walnuts Centre: At

Depot exit Mini-roundabout Roundabout Tunnel Roundabout Mini-roundabout 2<sup>nd</sup> riaht

## Direction

Turn right Turn left Ahead (1<sup>st</sup> exit) Through tunnel Ahead (2<sup>nd</sup> exit) Turn right Turn right

#### Into

Farnborough Hill Sevenoaks Road A223 Sevenoaks Road

High Street (Orpington) Homefield Rise Gravel Pit Wav

## **Orpington, Walnuts Centre**

#### **To Biggin Hill Valley** Melody Road: Direction At

Depot exit Roundabout Roundabout Traffic lights Before 2<sup>nd</sup> traffic lights Traffic lights Roundabout Mini-roundabout Roundabout Traffic lights

Roundabout 1<sup>st</sup> left 1<sup>st</sup> left (immediate) 2<sup>nd</sup> left End of road End of road (bus stand)

Turn left Turn right (3<sup>rd</sup> exit) Ahead (1<sup>st</sup> exit) Straight ahead Bear left Turn left Straight ahead Straight ahead Ahead (2<sup>nd</sup> exit) Turn right Follow round to right Ahead (2<sup>nd</sup> exit) Turn left Turn left Turn left Follow to right Commence service

#### Into

Farnborough Hill Farnborough Way A21 Farnborough Way The Green Crovdon Road A232 Westerham Road A233 Westerham Road Leaves Green Rd. A233 Main Road A233 Lebanon Gardens Stock Hill Norheads Lane Norheads Lane Kings Road Spring Gardens Melody Road

#### **Biggin Hill Valley**

## Return from Biggin Hill Valley Melody Road:

At

End of Melody Road End of road 2<sup>nd</sup> riaht End of road Roundabout Top of hill Traffic lights Roundabout Mini-roundabout Traffic lights (Keston Mark) Traffic lights **Traffic lights** Traffic lights Roundabout Roundabout 1<sup>st</sup> entrance right

#### Direction

Follow to right Follow to right Turn right Turn left Turn right (3<sup>rd</sup> exit) Follow round to left Turn left Ahead (1<sup>st</sup> exit) Straight ahead Turn right Turn right Straight ahead Straight ahead Ahead (2<sup>nd</sup> exit) Turn left (1<sup>st</sup> exit) Turn right

Into

East Hill Kings Road Rosehill Road Sunningvale Avenue Stock Hill Lebanon Gardens Main Road A233 Main Road A233 Westerham Road A233 Croydon Road A232 Farnborough Common Farnborough Common Farnborough Way Farnborough Way Farnborough Hill **Orpington Depot** 

## Return from Orpington Walnuts Centre:

#### At

End of road Roundabout Tunnel Roundabout Mini-roundabout Turn right Turn left Through tunnel Ahead (2<sup>nd</sup> exit) Turn right

Direction

**Into** Spur Road Sevenoaks Road

Sevenoaks Road Farnborough Hill **Orpington Depot** 

## **Route Directions**

### To Orpington Walnuts Centre:

#### From Biggin Hill Valley Melody Road:

At

#### Direction

End of Melody Road End of road End of road End of road Roundabout Top of hill Traffic lights Roundabout Mini-roundabout Roundabout Traffic lights (Keston Mark) Traffic lights (The Fantail) Immediately Mini-roundabout Traffic lights Roundabout Mini-roundabout 2<sup>nd</sup> riaht

Follow to right Follow to right Turn right Turn right Ahead (2<sup>nd</sup> exit) Follow round to left Turn left Ahead (1<sup>st</sup> exit) Straight ahead Fork right Turn right Turn right Filter left Straight ahead Straight ahead Turn left (1<sup>st</sup> exit) Turn right Turn right **Orpington** Walnuts Centre

#### Into

East Hill Kings Road Norheads Lane Norheads Lane Stock Hill Lebanon Gardens Main Road A233 Main Road Westerham Road A233 Westerham Road Croydon Road A232 Farnborough Common Crofton Road A232 Crofton Road Station Road High Street (Orpington) Homefield Rise Gravel Pit Wav

## To Biggin Hill Valley Melody Road:

#### From Orpington Walnuts Centre:

#### At

End of road Roundabout Traffic lights Mini-roundabout Traffic lights (The Fantail) Immediately Traffic lights (Keston Mark) Roundabout Mini-roundabout Roundabout Traffic lights

#### Roundabout 1<sup>st</sup> left 1<sup>st</sup> left (immediate) 2<sup>nd</sup> left End of road End of road (bus stand)

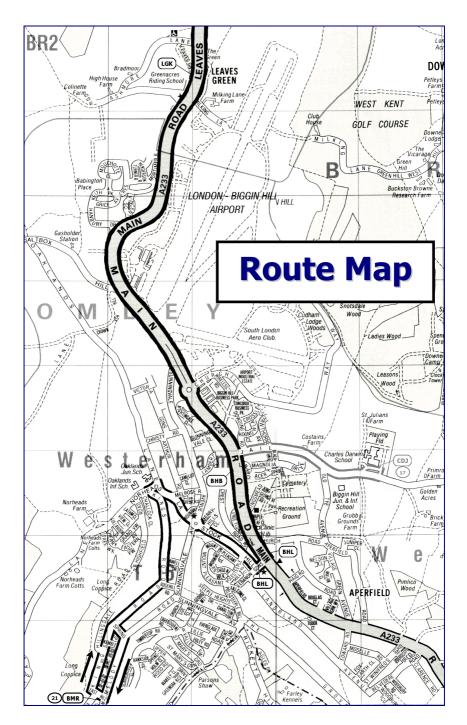
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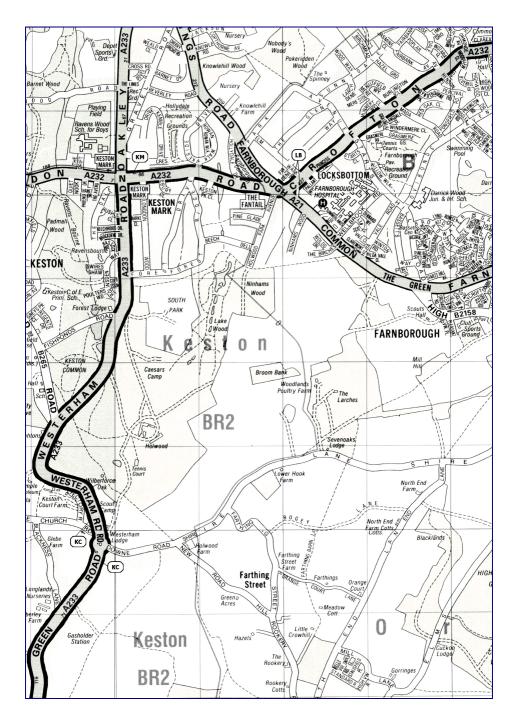
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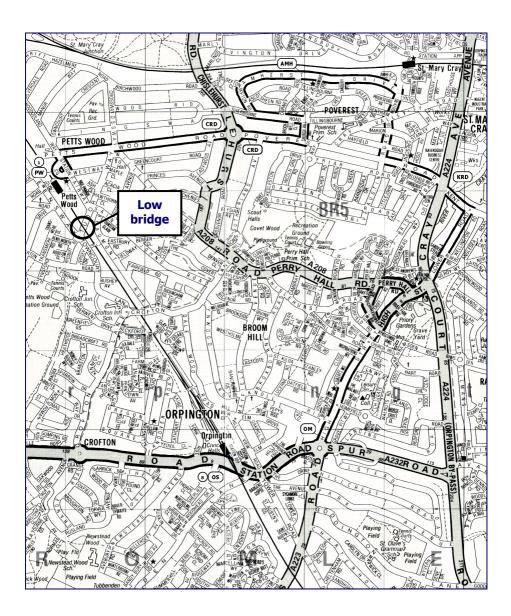
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Spur Road Station Road A232 Station Road Crofton Road A232 Farnborough Common Croydon Road A232 Westerham Road A233 Westerham Road Leaves Green Rd. A233 Main Road A233 Lebanon Gardens Stock Hill Norheads Lane Norheads Lane Kings Road Spring Gardens Melody Road

#### **Biggin Hill Valley**







## **Curtailment Points**

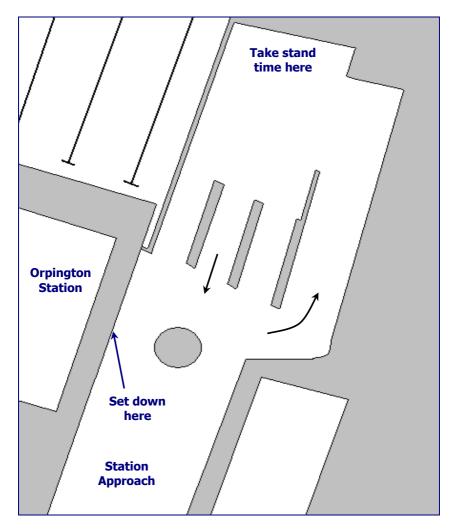
### **Orpington** Walnuts Centre

Buses should turn right from Orpington High Street at the first mini roundabout into Homefield Rise, take the second right into Gravel Pit Way and stand at Bus Stop Q.

On departure, proceed to the end of the road, turn right into Spur Road and proceed ahead at the Orpington War Memorial roundabout into Station Road to line of route.

## Orpington Bus Station (from Walnuts Centre)

Follow normal line of route to Station Road, Orpington. Just before reaching the railway bridge, turn right into Station Approach. Set down passengers at the bus stop at the top of Station Approach. Turn right at the mini-roundabout, then follow the access road round to the left to enter the bus station. Take any excess stand time in one of the parking bays at the rear of the bus station. Proceed to the bottom of Station Approach and turn left into Station Road. Pick up passengers from the 1<sup>st</sup> bus stop. Follow normal line of route (towards Orpington) from this point.

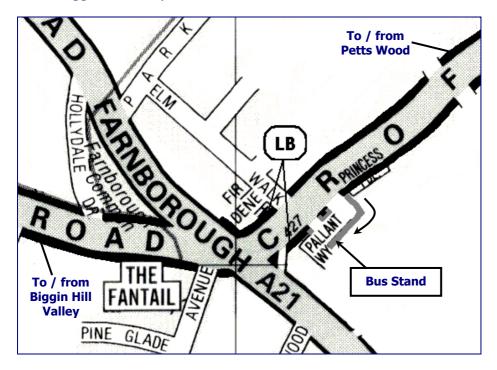


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### Locksbottom

**From Orpington**, follow normal line of route to Crofton Road. Just before reaching the petrol station in Locksbottom, turn left into Pallant Way. Follow the road round to the right. Set down and stand at the bus stand, **taking care to avoid the low wall on the left**. To start the next journey, turn right at the end of Pallant Way into Crofton Road and resume normal line of route towards Petts Wood.

**From Biggin Hill Valley**, follow normal line of route to Crofton Road. Take the 2<sup>nd</sup> available turning on the right (immediately after the petrol station), into Pallant Way. Set down and stand at bus stand, **taking care to avoid the low wall on the left**. To start the next journey, turn left at the end of Pallant Way into Crofton Road and resume normal line of route towards Biggin Hill Valley.

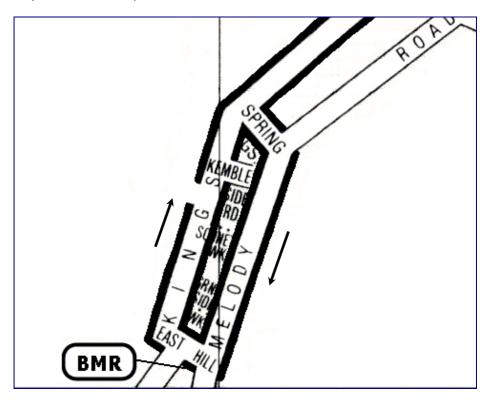


## **Biggin Hill Airport (from Walnuts Centre)**

Buses should set down at Bus Stop P on Main Road opposite Sunningvale Avenue alongside the runway, then turn at the roundabout and pick up from Bus Stop B.

## Biggin Hill Valley Melody Road

Pick up / set down passengers at the bus stand in East Hill (BMR). Please switch off your vehicle's engine if you are on stand for more than 1 minute. Always serve the loop clockwise.



## **Local Hazards**

## **Orpington** High Street

Orpington is a busy shopping centre. Please be aware that pedestrians may step into the road unexpectedly, particularly when serving Orpington High Street.

## Westerham Road (Keston)

There is a car park in Westerham Road for Keston Lakes, which is at the foot of a hill and close to a sharp bend. The entrance is not obvious when travelling towards Bromley North, and caution must be exercised, as drivers that are leaving may not see your approach.

## **Stock Hill** (Biggin Hill)

Stock Hill is a very steep hill, which can be treacherous in very wet or icy conditions. Parked cars may also impede your progress. Please keep to an appropriate speed, and be prepared to give way to oncoming traffic where necessary.

## **Duty Card Abbreviations**

Code	Explanation
BHA	<b>Biggin Hill Airport</b> Sunningvale Avenue
BHB	Biggin Hill Black Horse PH
BHL	Biggin Hill Lebanon Gardens
BMR	Biggin Hill Valley Melody Road
КС	Keston Church
КМ	Keston Mark
LGK	Leaves Green Kings Arms PH
LB	Locksbottom Crofton Road
ОМ	Orpington War Memorial
OS	Orpington Station
OWC	Orpington War Memorial

## **Blind Codes**

Blind	Destination
D2	Not In Service
<b>D9</b>	Biggin Hill Valley
<b>G4</b>	Not In Service
F2	<b>Orpington Station</b>
<b>G6</b>	<b>Orpington</b> Walnuts Centre
G9	Locksbottom

## **Emergencies**

### **Suspect Packages**

If you or one of your passengers discovers a suspicious package or bag in your vehicle, you should evacuate the vehicle immediately. Passengers should be asked to move well away from the vehicle. Please contact the police immediately (telephone 999 or 112), and then advise your Controller of the situation. You must not use a mobile telephone within 25 metres of the vehicle – use land lines to contact the police and your depot. **DO NOT USE THE VEHICLE'S RADIO**. You should follow any instructions given to you by the police, and identify yourself to the first police officer arriving at the scene.

#### **Fires**

In the event of a fire in your vehicle, you should evacuate the vehicle immediately. Passengers should be asked to move well away from the vehicle. Please contact the police and fire brigade immediately (telephone 999 or 112), and then advise your Controller of the situation. You should follow any instructions given to you by the police or fire brigade, and identify yourself to the first officer arriving at the scene.

### Low Bridge Strikes

You should contact Network Rail and the police immediately in the event of a collision with a railway bridge, <u>even if the contact only appears to be</u> <u>slight</u>. Details of the bridge's identification and the relevant contact number for Network Rail will be displayed on a plate on or near the bridge. Telephone 999 or 112 to contact the police. You must also advise your Controller of the situation. Please follow any instructions given to you by the police or Network Rail, and identify yourself to the first officer arriving at the scene.

## **Diversions**

You will usually be advised by either CentreComm (London Buses) or your depot if there is a diversion in place that affects you. However, if you unexpectedly discover that a road you would normally use is blocked, you should contact your Controller for advice. **Never leave line of route unless you are following an alternative route that is suitable for your vehicle** (as described by CentreComm or your Controller).

## **Emergency Radio Procedure (Code Red)**

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 1 second (until you hear a ringing tone to indicate that your call has been connected).

Once your call has been answered, you do not need to press any other button on the radio. 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.

You must not use the radio to report the presence of a suspect package (see opposite page).



#### A perception of risk specific to this route is appended to Risk Assessment T27 and can be viewed on request.

## Hail & Ride Operation

Please note that the following sections of route have no fixed bus stops:

\* Between Norheads Lane and Kings Road (Biggin Hill).

"Hail & Ride" conditions are in use along these sections of route. You should stop to pick up / set down passengers (by request) wherever it is safe and reasonable to do so.