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BIG FUN WALK 2024

Map and Directions

Walking to raise funds for North London Hospice



The **Light Blue Line** is the regular route and the **Dark Blue Line** is the wheelchair accessible route. If you are a wheelchair user, please ask one of our volunteers at East Finchley to collect your registration and lunch from Cherry Tree Wood.



BIG FUN WALK DIRECTIONS

From Cherry Tree Wood stay on the main path on the left hand side, and in approx 50 metres you will see our Events Village where you can collect your free lunch. Once you have completed your warm-up and passed through the start line, continue on the main path and pass the public toilets towards the exit gate in the North East of the park. Leave the woods and turn left onto Fordington Road. At the roundabout with Woodside Avenue go straight across into Lanchester Road.

After approximately 45 yards turn left (**POINT 1**) along a small path which takes you up to Highgate Wood. Pass through the gate and keep straight on the main path until you reach Lodge Gate at Muswell Hill Road (**POINT 2**). Stay in the wood, follow the path right and continue along the path running parallel to Muswell Hill road. Exit at Gypsy Gate, turn right and proceed up the hill (please be aware, this is a steep hill) to the traffic lights and cross Archway road into Southwood Lane (**POINT 3**). Use the crossing at the traffic lights with Archway Road to cross to the left hand side of the road – take care at this junction. Go up Southwood Lane towards Highgate Village.

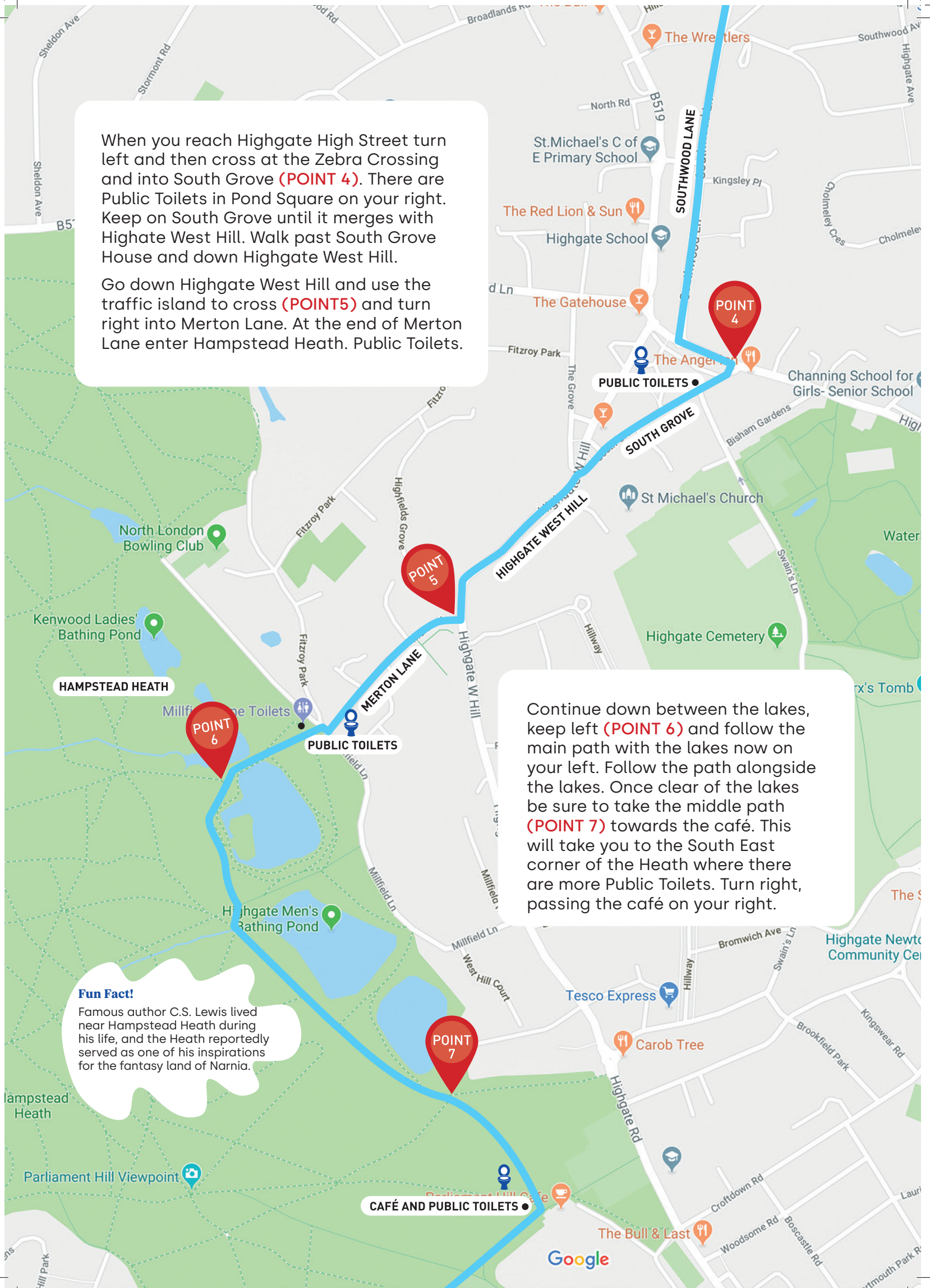
When you reach Highgate High Street turn left and then cross at the Zebra Crossing and into South Grove (POINT 4). There are Public Toilets in Pond Square on your right. Keep on South Grove until it merges with Highgate West Hill. Walk past South Grove House and down Highgate West Hill.

Go down Highgate West Hill and use the traffic island to cross (POINT 5) and turn right into Merton Lane. At the end of Merton Lane enter Hampstead Heath. Public Toilets.

Continue down between the lakes, keep left (POINT 6) and follow the main path with the lakes now on your left. Follow the path alongside the lakes. Once clear of the lakes be sure to take the middle path (POINT 7) towards the café. This will take you to the South East corner of the Heath where there are more Public Toilets. Turn right, passing the café on your right.

Fun Fact!

Famous author C.S. Lewis lived near Hampstead Heath during his life, and the Heath reportedly served as one of his inspirations for the fantasy land of Narnia.



You will pass the Athletics track on your left. Immediately after the play-park and paddling pool, fork left (**POINT 8**) to exit the Heath via the railway bridge to Savernake Road/Constantine Road. Turn right and continue along Constantine Road to South End Green (**POINT 9**). Here you can find Public Toilets.

Take extra care at this point since there is a busy bus stop and there will likely be traffic.

Cross over Fleet Road and go up Pond Street, passing the Royal Free Hospital. At the top of Pond Street turn left (**POINT 10**) and walk down Rosslyn Hill which then joins onto Haverstock Hill. Continue down Haverstock Hill until you reach the traffic lights at Englands Lane (**POINT 11**). Use these traffic lights to cross the road and turn right into Englands Lane. At the end of the road turn left into Primrose Hill Road (**POINT 12**) and continue on the left side of the road crossing Fellows Road as you go down the hill.

Fun Fact!

During World War II, Belsize Park Underground station was chosen to feature an air raid shelter beneath it, which still remains there today.



Cross Adelaide Road B509 at the pelican lights and continue heading south on Primrose Hill Road, crossing over King Henry's Road. At the zebra crossing cross to the right hand side of Primrose Hill road and enter Primrose Hill (POINT 13).

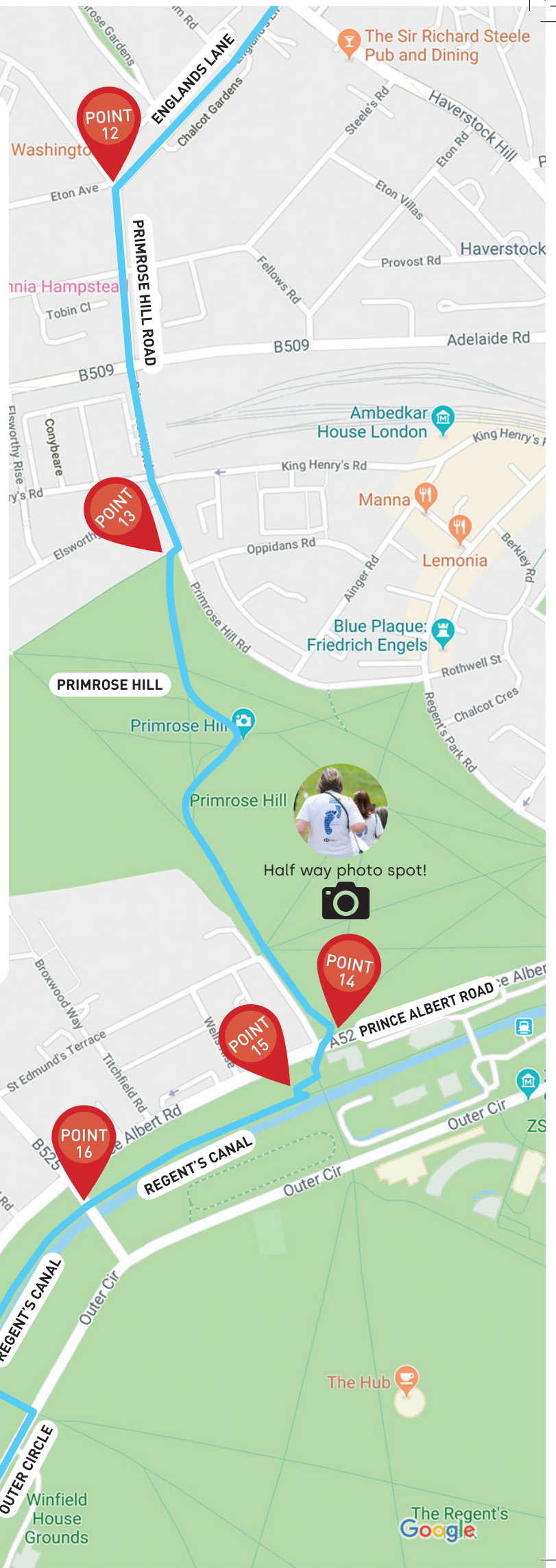
YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED APPROXIMATELY HALF OF THE WALK.

Turn left along the path leading up the hill (please be aware, this is a steep hill) – there are great views from the top! Follow the path up to the viewing point. Once you have taken in the views, follow the path around to the right and back on to the path which takes you down to the south-west corner of the park to exit.

After leaving Primrose Hill, turn right and cross Prince Albert Road at the Zebra crossing (POINT 14). Turn right then left leading to the footbridge over Regent's Canal. Do not cross the footbridge. At the footbridge, turn right and follow the path parallel to the Canal Tow Path (POINT 15).

DO NOT FOLLOW THE TOW-PATH - STAY ON THE ELEVATED PATH.

You will pass under one bridge (POINT 16), and then when you approach the second bridge (Charlbert Bridge), fork right and then turn left and cross Charlbert Bridge (POINT 17) and turn right at Outer Circle, (not in to the park), and follow Outer Circle around until you reach London Central Mosque.



Half way photo spot!



Fun Fact!

Baker Street is most famous for being where Sherlock Holmes lived, why not take a picture outside his address at 221b Baker Street?

After passing the Mosque (POINT 18), and at the traffic lights, cross the Outer Circle and enter Regent's Park on your left through Hanover Gate. Continue on the path, keeping left and walk past the play park until you reach a little blue bridge. Cross the bridge and you will see another. Cross the second bridge. After crossing the second bridge turn right and then continue along the path with the boating lake on your right.

Continue on this path until you reach Longbridge (POINT 19), a larger bridge on your right. Cross and continue straight on the path to Inner Circle.

Turn right on Inner Circle and take the next right (POINT 20) (between the Holme house entrance and the ice-cream kiosk). Cross the bridge and turn right, then take the next left and exit the park at Clarence Gate.

Using the crossing to the left of the gate, cross Outer Circle and turn right, follow the path round to the left into Baker St. (POINT 21).

Continue down Baker Street taking extra care at the crossings. At Marylebone Road, the first major crossroads, use the traffic lights to cross to the right hand side of the road and continue down Baker Street.

After crossing George Street, turn right (POINT 22) and walk down George Street on the left hand side of the road. Again, please take care at the crossings, particularly Gloucester place.





At Great Cumberland Place turn left and walk towards Marble Arch. At the end of the road, turn left and use the pedestrian crossings to cross Oxford Street to the Marble Arch (**POINT 23**). Walk through the arches and the square with the flags, passing Marble Arch Station on your left.

Use the pedestrian crossing to cross Cumberland Gate and walk on the left hand side of Park Lane - do not enter Hyde Park.

Head south on Park Lane, past Hyde Park on your right. When you get to the Hilton (**POINT 24**), follow the road as it curves to the right until you reach the subway on your left at the large roundabout (**POINT 25**).

Go down the subway and take the first turning left (about halfway through the subway). Go up the steps, turn sharp left and follow the path round to the pelican lights, passing the New Zealand memorial on your left hand side and the Wellington Arch on your right.

Cross over using the pelican lights and enter Green Park walking along the path running parallel to Constitution Hill until you come to Buckingham Palace.

IMPORTANT
There is an amendment to the route this year. Please follow the instructions carefully and **DO NOT ENTER HYDE PARK** after (**POINT 23**). You must **STAY ON THE LEFT HAND SIDE OF PARK LANE**.



Stay on the path and follow it around, past Canada Gate and around the Victoria Memorial towards the Mall. Cross the Mall at the first set of lights (POINT 26) and continue to follow the path around the Victoria Memorial until you reach Spur Road (POINT 27). Turn left and walk down Birdcage Walk. Make sure you cross to the right hand side of Birdcage Walk using the traffic lights.

Turn right into Storey's Gate. Walk up Storey's gate until you reach the United Nations Green outside the QEII Centre on your left. North London Hospice volunteers will welcome you to our post-walk reception. You can collect your medal and enjoy the entertainment!

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED THE BIG FUN WALK!

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE WILL BE ON HAND AT THE END OF THE WALK SHOULD YOU REQUIRE ANY ASSISTANCE



Thank you for supporting North London Hospice by taking part in the Big Fun Walk!

Please help yourself to tea, coffee and enjoy the post-walk reception. And don't forget to take lots of photos and share them with us on social media.

#bigfunwalk



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