**Freedom Pass Explorers Visit to High Barnet Monday 17th April 2023**

There were nine of us who took the trip in April, delayed by one week because of the Bank holiday.

Once again we travelled out from London Bridge. The Northern Line was very noisy, not coming out into the open until East Finchley.

Our destination High Barnet, the end of the Northern line. We walked uphill through the High street to Monken Hadley, an ancient village. Monken ( Monks of Walden) and Hadley meaning heathery, covered in heather.

This is a beautiful area, totally green with several ponds with a variety of ducks and geese. We passed lovely old houses eventually getting to the Church and what looked like an old toll gate. We turned around at this point finding a grassy path back to the High street were we found a lovely cafe for our lunch where we were able to even sit outside in the sun!

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