Weybridge: Key Features

Weybridge, which also includes Oatlands and St George’s Hill, lies in the west of Elmbridge at the confluence of the River Thames and the River Wey Navigation which define the western and northern boundaries. The area is characterised by its diverse residential areas, vibrant town centre, historic assets, high quality green spaces and access to the waterside. It has a well established district centre, which is lively during the evening as well as the day. The Heights and Brooklands Business Park, home to prestigious companies including Proctor and Gamble, Mercedes-Benz and Sony, combine to provide the largest employment area in the Borough. The area has good access to the M25 and fast rail links to and from London.

Green Space

Weybridge has a number of green spaces throughout the urban area including greens, allotments, gardens, recreation grounds and school fields. Churchfields Recreation Ground, located behind the High Street, Oatlands Park and Brooklands Community Park combine to offer a wide range of recreational facilities. Oatlands Park has historic significance and parts of its landscape setting remain within the surrounding residential developments.

Greens are an important characteristic of the area. Monument Green, Heath Road Green and The Cricket Green are all key focal points for local people.

Key Landmarks and Views

The landmark spire of St James’ Church, Church Street can be seen throughout the town centre. Other landmarks include Oatlands Park Hotel and the Duchess of York column on Monument Green.

Waterways

Good public access to the Wey Navigation and the River Thames, offer significant opportunities for walking, cycling and water sports.

Heritage Assets

The area has 4 conservation areas including: Monument Green, Wey Navigation, Weybridge Town Centre and Brooklands motor racing and aviation area. The site of the historic Oatlands Palace and Park is also a highly valued local heritage asset.

Trees

Large areas of tree cover, mostly to private gardens, are particularly evident at St George’s Hill, Lower St Georges Hill and parts of Oatlands.

Please see the Weybridge Companion Guide to view the detailed character assessment
District and Local Centres

Weybridge town centre provides for a range of retail, commercial, leisure and residential uses. It also has a library, hospital, and church. The Centre has a high quality built environment much of which lies within a conservation area with a number of listed buildings, although it is heavily trafficked. In addition to the town centre, there are two small local centres at Queens Road and Oatlands Village. Both have distinctive characteristics, each providing for a different range of shops, services, restaurants and bars.

Residential Properties

The area comprises well-established residential suburbs with a diverse mix of age and style of property including significant areas of gated private estates, pockets of ex-local authority and SPAN housing. Victorian/Edwardian properties immediately surround the town centre, smaller cottages are commonplace on roads near the river. Substantial houses and flats are located on the lower slopes of St George's Hill, with large, individually designed houses within the private estate itself. More modest properties of varying age feature in and around the Oatlands area, with 1960s development and modernist architecture along Oatlands Drive and St George's Avenue. More recently, a large housing estate has been built at Brooklands with new waterside townhouses and flats on Whittets Ait.

Commercial, Tourism and Leisure

The Brooklands area is some distance away from Weybridge town centre. It has its own individual identity containing a diverse mix of uses and some striking architecture within an historic setting. Uses include a retail park, storage/distribution centre, HQ office buildings, hotel, museum, a community park and a car technology and sales centre.