

## 2007 Green Bridge, Sandwell MBC

Design feasibility for a 'green' bridge link between West Bromwich town centre and Dartmouth Park, with Larry Priest (BPN Architects) & Rob Colbourne

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Starting at noon, there was a procession from the Town Hall to the Park via Reform Street "headed by two Fire Engines fully horsed and equipped" and attended by all and sundry from far and wide. Once at the park, "the ceremony commenced by the vast assemblage singing the Old Hundredth Psalm...the reading of various documents by officials setting forth the conditions of the deed of dedication of the Park in trust for the use of the public". The ceremony concluded with the National Anthem.

In the evening there was "a grand pyrotechnic display" and "as a finale a fine figure of his Lordship was exhibited, in coloured fires..." before an ugly rush for the gates, people being thrown down and trampled upon, "screams and cries for help" from the "injured and affrighted...struggling in the mass...terrible catastrophe."

Psalm 100 (Book of Common Prayer):

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Stroll

The noun 'stroll' has one meaning:

Meaning #1: a leisurely walk (usually in some public place) Synonyms: amble, promenade, ramble, saunter, perambulation

The verb 'stroll' has two meanings:

Meaning #1: take a walk Synonym: promenade

Meaning #2: walk leisurely and with no apparent aim Synonym: saunter

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verb [I]

to walk in a slow relaxed manner, especially for pleasure

take a stroll/trip/walk down memory lane to remember happy times in the past

Stroll \Stroll\ v. i. [imp. & p. p. Strolled; p. pr. & vb. n. Strolling.]

[Cf. Dan. stryge to stroll, Sw. stryka to stroke, to ramble, dial. Sw. strykel one who strolls about, Icel. strj? ka to stroke, D. struikelen to stumble, G. straucheln. Cf. Struggle.]

To wander on foot; to ramble idly or leisurely; to rove.

Syn: To rove; roam; range; stray.

stroll verb (strolled, strolling) intrans to walk in a slow leisurely way. noun a leisurely walk.

strolling adj • a strolling minstrel. stroll on! an exclamation of surprise, disbelief, etc..

Etymology: 17c.