



Meet Stanley Road

The arrival of the railways at Teddington and Fulwell stations in 1864 transformed the lane, known as Webbs Lane after a local farmer, that branched off at Hedge Corner from Hampton Road, creating an important link between Teddington and Twickenham.

The earliest account we have of the name Stanley Road is from 1868 and leaves us with the question, which Stanley?

Whilst we cannot say for sure it is very likely that Stanley Road was named after either the 14th or 15th Earl of Derby whose family name was 'Stanley'.

Edward Henry Stanley, the 15th Earl of Derby entered Parliament as an MP for King's

Lynn in 1848. Albeit sitting with the Conservatives, he held exceptionally solid Liberal sentiments. After the revolution in Greece and the flight of King Otto the well-travelled and wealthy Lord Stanley was a favourite to become the next king of Greece, but he was never formally offered the crown.

Edward Henry's father however, Edward George Geoffrey Smith Stanley, 14th Earl of Derby is a

more probable prospect. Born in 1799, he entered the House of Commons in 1822. He filled in as Prime Minister in four Parliaments and gave over the office to Disraeli in February 1868 due to his own infirmity.

A popular man with a respectable career, it is easy to believe that he could have had streets and various new establishments named after him all over the country.

Stanley Road then and now

One of the oldest buildings in the road is The Red Lion pub which received its first licence over 153 years ago, on 13th March 1869.

In the 1890s at the higher end of Stanley Road, parades of shops began to appear on both sides of the road to service the growing local population. Teddington's first Council School (now Stanley Road Primary School) opened its doors in 1907.

Today, upper Stanley Road houses, amongst other businesses, a cluster of home improvement enterprises offering a wide range of quality and unique products as well as services, making it a top destination in the area for home renovation projects or revamp enthusiasts. The variety of goods and expert advice is available combined with personable and friendly service.

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Further Reading: The Hidden Area of Teddington: The Growth of Fulwell by Chris French

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Tiles of Wisdom

139 Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11 8UF
T: 020 8943 0251 www.tilesowisdom.co.uk

Importers of exclusive Italian wall and floor tiles suitable for inside or outside.

The Wisdom family has a long history in tiling going back five generations to Thomas Cooper Wisdom who was born in 1885. The Wisdoms tiled in many famous locations such as Buckingham Palace, London Underground and numerous private residences belonging to the influential and famous. Their reputation has been built on years of knowledge and experience.

In the modern world skilled trades are often no longer passed on in families and therefore a lot of the old skills have died. However, in the Wisdom family knowledge and traditions are kept alive



as well as keeping abreast of modern and ever-changing techniques.

Additionally, Tiles of Wisdom offer very reasonable prices; due to excellent relationships with most UK distributors they can offer discounts that ensure most prices will beat those on the internet.

Handmade Frames

107 Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11 8UB
T: 020 8943 2967 www.hand-made-frames.co.uk

Home of bespoke picture framing - showroom and workshop, including a gallery space exhibiting original artwork - run by local artist and skilled craftsman, Daniel Gusk.

Whether it's a tiny passport photograph or an enormous tapestry, an oil painting or a sports shirt, watercolour, limited edition print, poster, or a mirror - you name it, Daniel can frame it.



Gemini Electricals

186-188 Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11 8UE
T: 020 8977 5006 www.regentelectrical.com

The company ethos is based on providing outstanding customer service from quotation, order, and delivery to exceptional after sales support to all customers irrespective of the value of the order.



Staff operate in an environment where they are given the freedom to place orders for whatever the customer needs, even if that means supplying non-electrical products such as timber, glass, metalwork, plumbing and air conditioning materials, computer equipment and much more. They try to never say "no" and if it can be done, they will get it done.

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Immortal Botanica

**Florist and Stylist, 141 Stanley Road, TW11 8UF,
T: 07813 320 673 www.cassandraking.co.uk**

This newcomer to Stanley Road offers beautiful everlasting florals that never die. Fearless and beautiful designs of artificial, silk or dried flowers in a style that is bold and unique.

Cassandra, the owner and stylist asks you not to throw your flowers away if you are having a revamp or restyle. Not that one can tire of her designs, but she believes in working towards a more sustainable future.

The brilliance of artificial and dried flowers is they can always be reused, designs can be reconfigured and rearranged and part of Cassandra's mission at Immortal Botanica is showing you how.

Failing that, the mission is to resell, donate to charity, take to a local care home or hospice - or to encourage you to investigate some of the design ideas offered on her blog and YouTube channel and gift them on.



The 'flower hospital' service is offered in the event you need help cleaning your old flowers or restyling them in another way.

Most of Cassandra's creations are biodegradable and not Immortal as such - but by following the care advice they will easily last a year at the very least. A styling service for weddings, events, business and residential spaces is also offered.

BT Flooring

**109 Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11 8UB
T: 020 8614 6858 www.btflooring.co.uk**

Nick and Leda expertly run the showroom of this family business with a comprehensive selection of wooden flooring and fitting solutions. Whether you seek to restore wooden floors or want to fit a new floor they carry out all types of domestic and commercial flooring work.

BT Flooring supply free estimates and a prompt, reliable service at all times. Their in-house fitting team offers a flexible maintenance schedule and a one-year guarantee on all work. Did I mention allergy friendly equipment? Many years of experience, high quality workmanship and a customer care focus deliver great results on all projects.



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Phil Irwin Carpets

180 Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11 8UD
T: 020 8943 8808 www.philirwincarpets.com

Phil Irwin started as a man in a van in 1975 and was then joined by his son Sam Irwin in 1996. They fit all types of flooring and with 45 years' experience are growing from strength to strength. Business has now been passed over to Sam and his wife Natalie.

Sam has a fitter's eye, extensive knowledge and years of experience while Natalie's keen eye for colours and texture - she completed a degree in surface pattern and textiles - make them a dream



team who can truly transform your space.

As a family run business, they pride themselves in a professional, friendly, and welcoming service.

Old Father Time

158 Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11 8UD
T: 07544 096541

Difficult, you'd think, for an antique dealer off the beaten track, yet you stumble across one of the most characterful stores you can't pass by without wondering what lies within. This elusive furniture and antiques store that opens its doors only on Saturdays, between the hours of 11:00 - 17:00 has no ratings, not a single review, only the warm glow of its intangible interior luring you in.

The feeling you get after swinging that door open is a great way to wind down on a Saturday.



We tend to spend a lot of time in IKEA and bric-a-brac markets, granted, but this old shop's inventory works in a different way. It transports you to a different time, where you can relish that great British obsession, collecting stories of the items that were around decades before us.

Imperial China

196-198 Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11 8UE
T: 020 8977 8679 www.imperialchinalondon.co.uk

Culinary works of art brought to you by highly skilled chefs in a traditional Chinese setting.

Through the combination of tradition fused with modern cooking the mission is to present the Imperial China's cuisine nobility and its riches of taste. Quality dishes ranging from lavish seafood such as lobster, to freshly hand prepared dim sum are served and, the wine is very good too.

The main dining area creates an opulent ambience with its stork and koi carp motifs on lacquered



walls. Although the restaurant seats over 100, reservation is a must as it gets very busy.

The prices at the Imperial China are premium nonetheless most of its patrons agree, they are reasonable for the quality you get.

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The Red Lion

164-166 Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11 8UD
T: 020 8977 1687

We love pubs, for all the life that happens in them, from the 'ok, maybe just a one' after work to the bustling Fridays, all the way through to lazy Sunday roasts with the family. This is where we catch up but more often, where the future stories are prompted.

Come in, let your hair down and have a drink at this very spacious venue along the Stanley Road. Take a seat at the patio area in the front, right next to the bus stop for the 281 and 33 buses, or if you wish to escape the commotion of the main road, there's a rather large beer garden at the back.



The Red Lion offers regular live music on Fridays and a quiz night, 8pm every Thursday (booking required), lest we forget the gallons of pints.

This pub is ideal for all kind of function hires. There is a rear dining area with its own log fire, as well as a covered and heated outside space leading to the large garden.

Bengal Brasserie

162 Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11 8UD
T: 020 8977 7332 www.bengalbrasserieonline.com

Established in 1986, lovely and unassuming little place. The ambience of this small restaurant is subtle, comfortable, and pleasant.

You are always assured of a warm welcome here.

Bengal Brasserie is a family run Indian and Bangladeshi Tandoori Restaurant. Their aim is to provide you with the true taste of Indian and Bangladeshi cuisine from the recipes that have been passed down through generations of their family. Their chefs take pride in everything they do from the preparation and taste to the presentation of the finished dish.



Theirs is a standard menu with a few chefs' specials, but the way in which those dishes are executed is really their strength. There could be over-sugared or simplified curries that tragically appear to be the standard nowadays but who wants a sweet, mild, sad madras?

If you are looking for good quality, reasonably priced, honest food that leaves your taste buds tingling, Bengal Brasserie is the place for you.

The Stanley Road effect

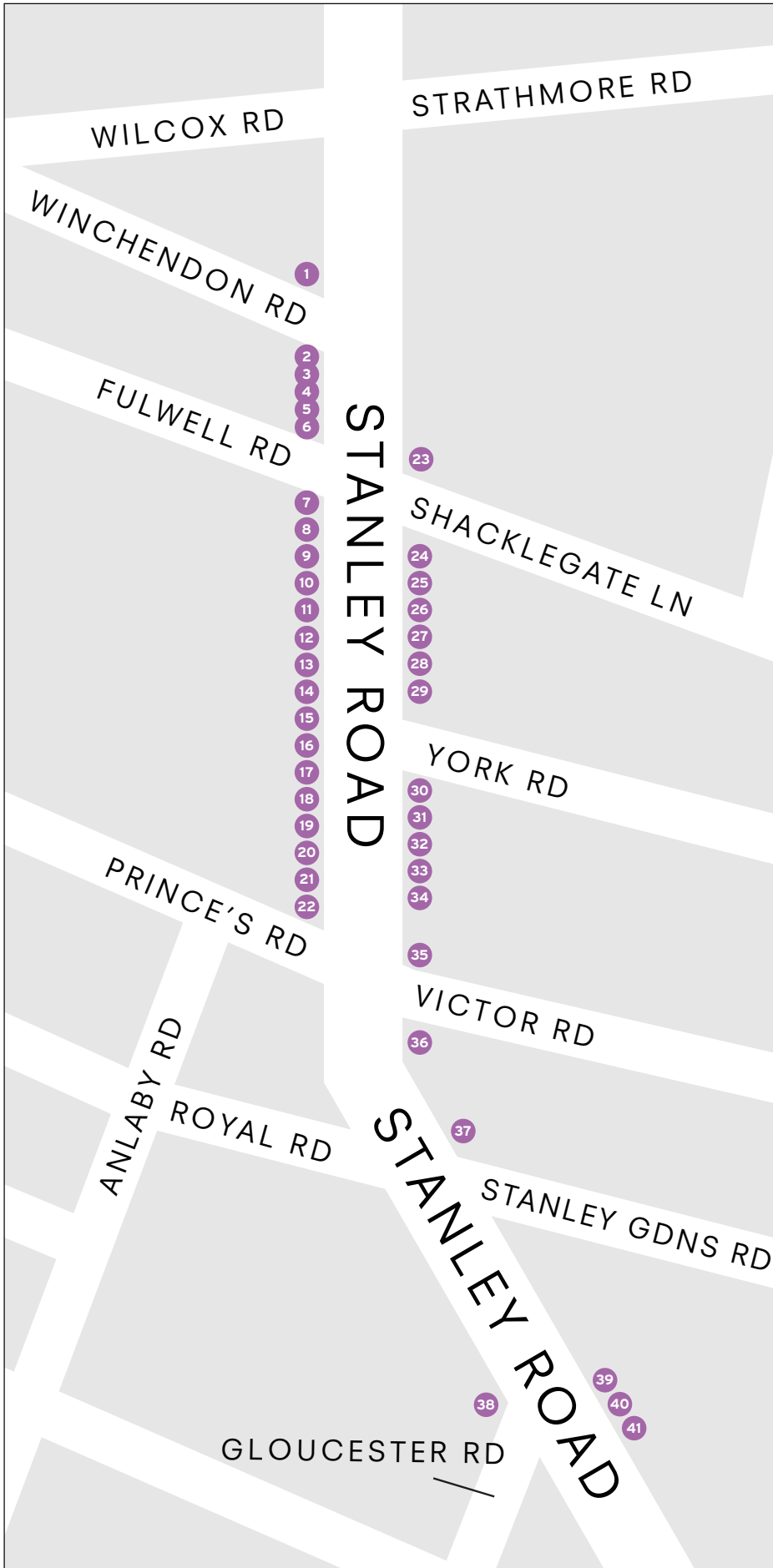
Stanley Road's unique position between Teddington and Twickenham is an accrediting factor; very close to the action yet a quiet enough spot. Handy for those who like to avoid Twickenham during match days but close enough to events and with plenty to offer.

While we are not restricted to our residential areas anymore, it is still important to support our local businesses. The motivation isn't just the convenience but more importantly invigorating our own neighbourhoods and supporting our local trades. Our independent stores invest wholeheartedly in their development and play an integral part in our communities.

Stanley Road is on the 33, 281 and 481 bus routes.

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