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The library moves to the King's Centre

We are pleased to announce that Hook & Chessington Library will move to the King's Centre. While the site housing the Library, Community Centre and CAB is re-developed, the library will move to temporary premises.

The co-Chairs of the South of the Borough Neighbourhood Committee were pleased with the options presented to them at the Overview Board meeting on 8th December and confirmed that the King's Centre was the best choice.

They highlighted the mutual benefits that Kingston Libraries and the King's Centre working together can bring to the local community.

Library staff are thrilled at the idea of working with the King's Centre and can't wait to get started.



Emergency closure

We regretfully inform you that Hook & Chessington Library will be closed on **Thursday 30/12/2004**.

The closure is needed to carry out a Survey of the fabric of the building to assess the presence or otherwise of contaminants, e.g. asbestos.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and invite you to talk to any member of our staff about this. They will be happy to help you with any issues you may wish to raise.

Dates

While the contract is being finalised, we set provisional dates for the closure of the library on 31/12/04 and the opening of temporary premises on 7/2/05.

Getting there

The King's Centre is on Coppard Gardens, Chessington KT9 2GZ, on (or within walking distance from) the route of buses 71, 465, and K4. See maps.

Services

At the King's Centre, the Library will use the Paton Room and the Arton Lounge, a space about 1/3 of the size of the original library.

This will have an effect on the quantity but not on the quality of services we will be able to provide. We will find original solutions to the problems posed by restricted premises.

For instance, we will not be able to move all our *books* into the temporary premises. However, our staff have developed a routine, whereby the stock will be continuously renewed by rotating it between the library and the storage area. As a result you should find new books to borrow at every visit.

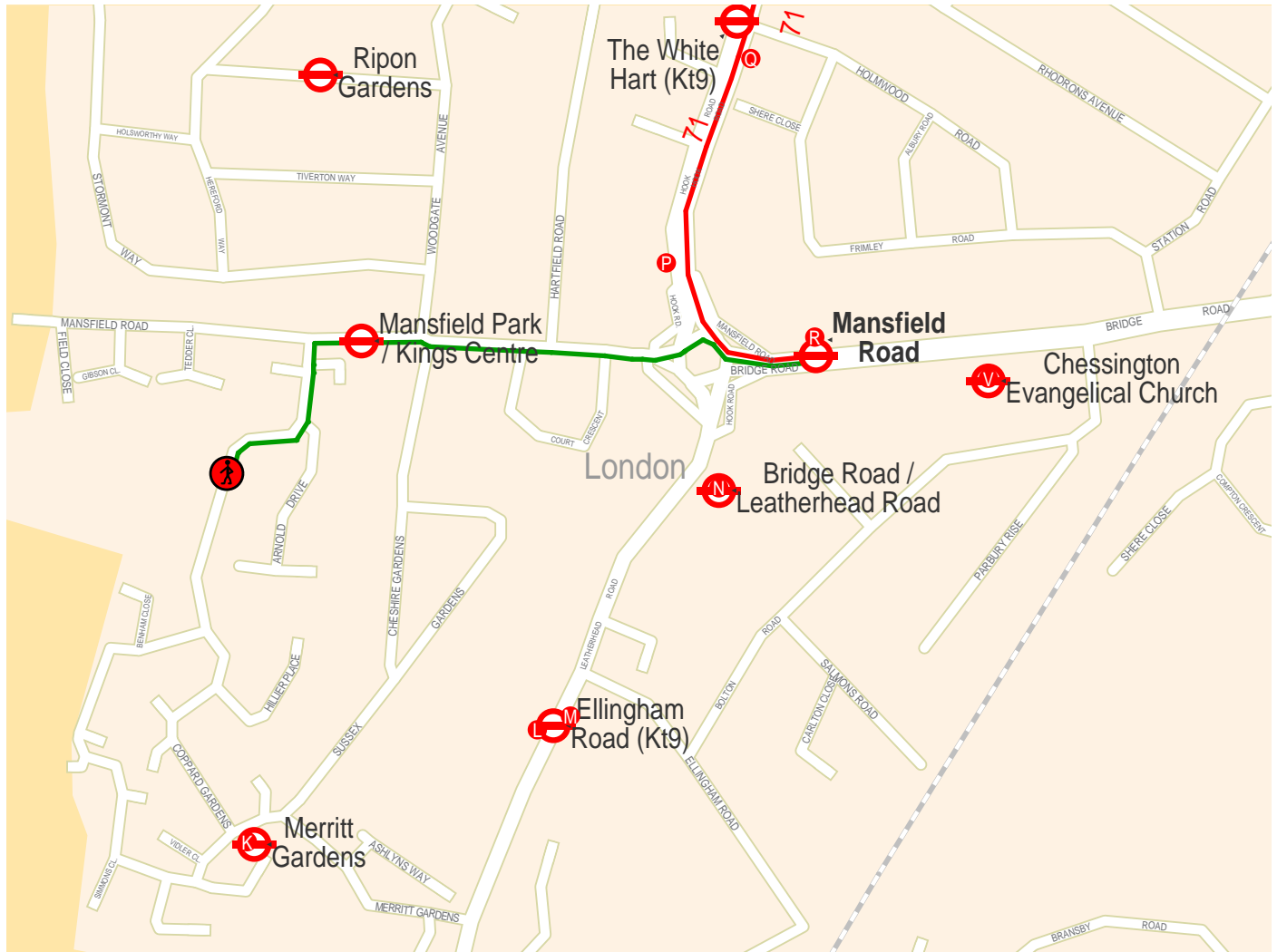
There will be fewer *computers* but the services (access to the Internet, email, learning opportunities, printing and scanning facilities) will be the same.

The *Community Library Service* (020 8547 6451), our service for housebound residents, will serve anyone who for whatever reason can't reach the King's Centre.

For further information please contact Antonio Rizzo on 020 8547 6421 or Michaela Newman on 020 8547 6480.



Suggested Path from Mansfield Road to Hook (London) KT9 2GZ.



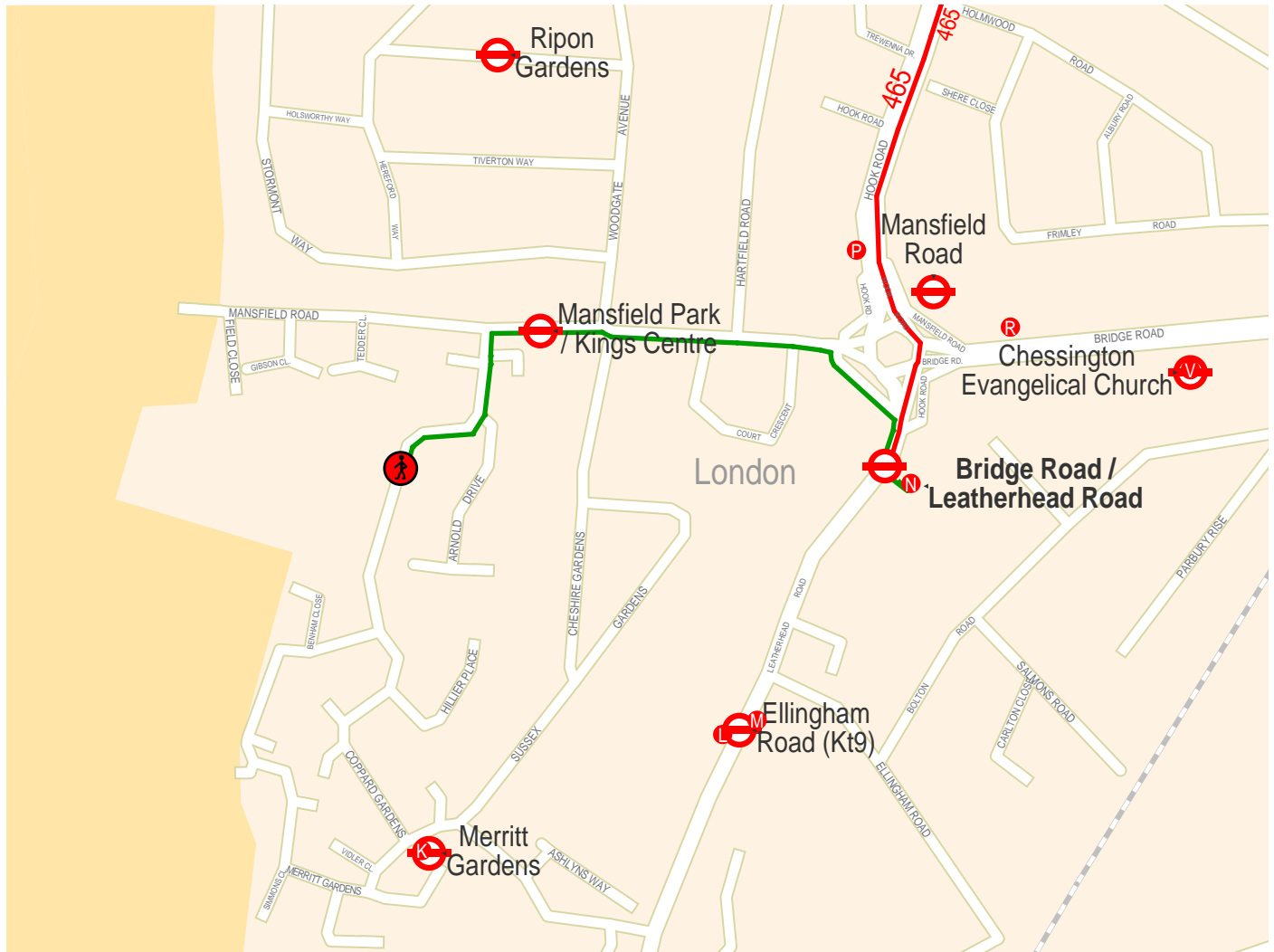
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| 1. | From Mansfield Road. | |
| 2. | Bridge Road | 80 m |
| 3. | ➡ Turn Right Into | 50 m 130 m |
| 4. | ➡ Turn Right Into | 320 m 450 m |
| 5. | ⬅ Turn Left Into | 160 m 0.6 km |
| 6. | Arrive at Hook (London) KT9 2GZ. | |



Suggested Path from Bridge Road / Leatherhead Road to Hook (London) KT9 2GZ.



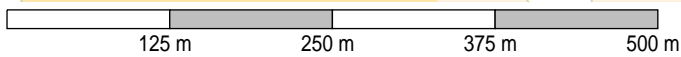
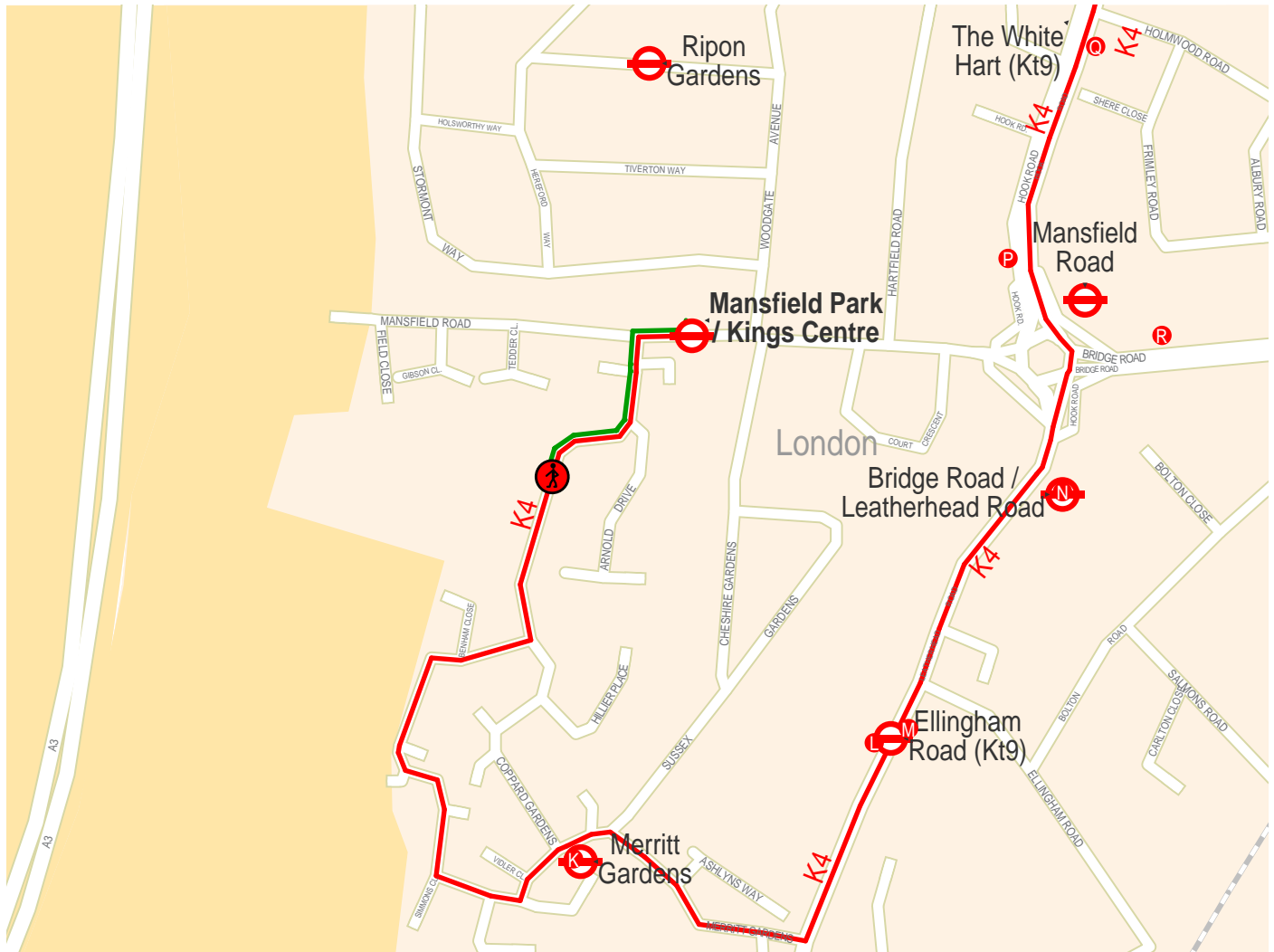
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| 1. | From Bridge Road / Leatherhead Road. | |
| 2. | Leatherhead Road | 40 m |
| 3. ↙ | Turn Left Into Mansfield Road | 380 m 420 m |
| 4. ↙ | Turn Left Into Coppard Gardens | 160 m 0.6 km |
| 5. | Arrive at Hook (London) KT9 2GZ. | |



Suggested Path from Mansfield Park / Kings Centre to Hook (London) KT9 2GZ.



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