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On the map, and on the ground, Weoley Park Road and Lodge Hill's boundary form an impenetrable border (d, e, f, g) between a typical Birmingham residential road (a, b, c) and the green, leafy cemetery grounds (h, i, j). A clearly defined edge. A boundary between the living and the dead. Except, Lodge Hill is clearly a much loved and much visited final resting place. Along the paths, benches offer an opportunity to sit, to grieve a relative or friend, to stay a moment before returning to the bustle of life in the city. Fresh flowers mark many graves and on this wet autumn Saturday, nature has added her own touch of colour with a scattering of fallen leaves.

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