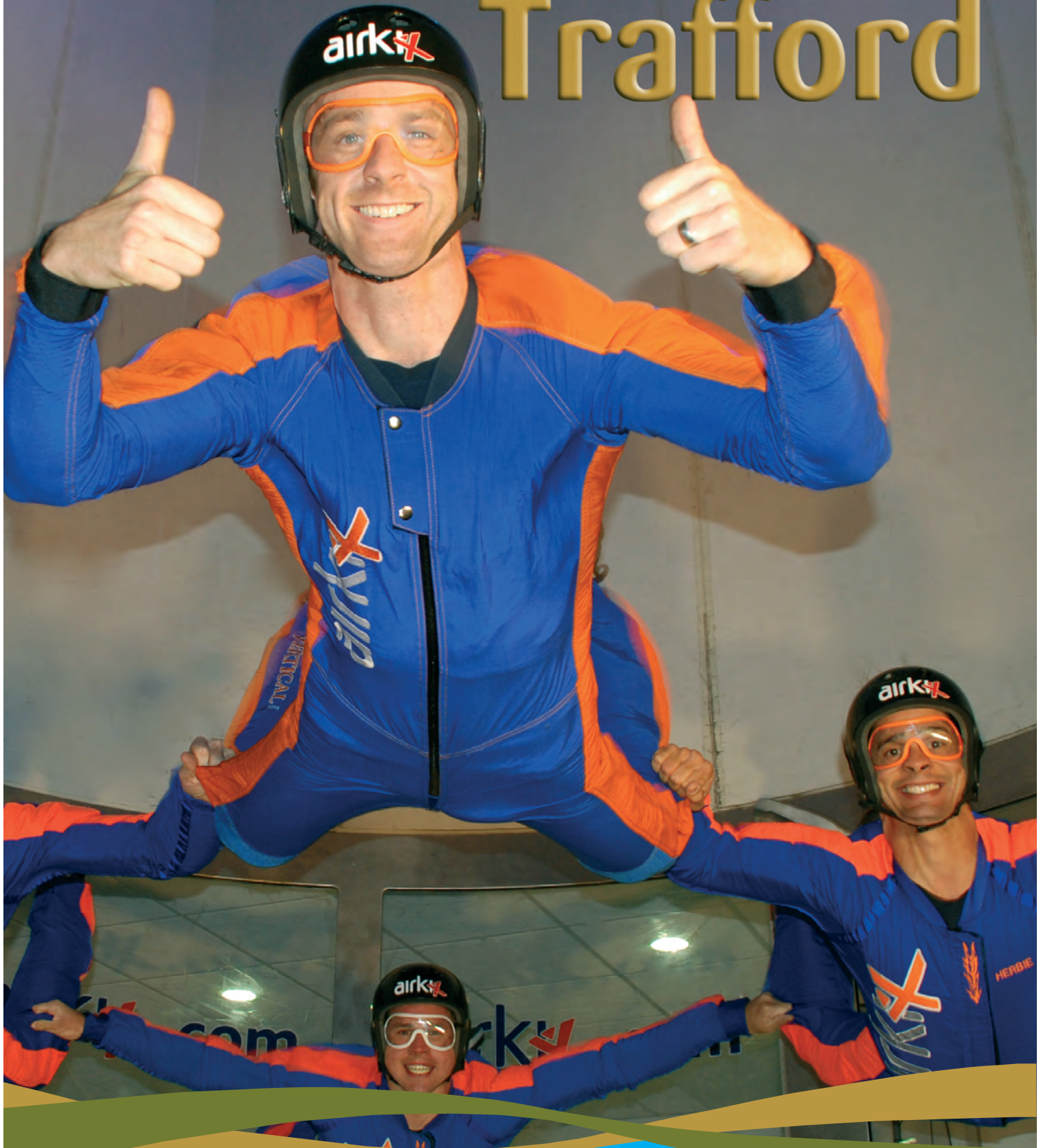


Trafford



Group Visit Guide 2012

www.visittrafford.info

Welcome to Trafford

Trafford is one of 10 Boroughs that make up Greater Manchester. At its northern most point Trafford is just one mile from the heart of Manchester City Centre and has a very urban landscape. Here on the Trafford side of **The Quays** you will find three iconic buildings; **Imperial War Museum North**, and the two **Old Trafford's** home to Football and Cricket.

The southern boundary adjoins Cheshire, this is where the suburbs meet the countryside. **Dunham Massey Hall** a national trust property is probably the most well known attraction in this area. The Bridgewater canal and Trans Pennine trail both run close by so why not drop in if you're travelling by boat or bike. In recent years a number of smaller visitor attractions have sprung up in the surrounding area. **Red House Farm** creates a spectacular maize maze every year and has tea rooms and a farm shop bursting with local and gourmet produce. Just down the road at Ash Farm the delicious Dunham Massey Farm **ice cream** is created including flavours like toffee fudge, lemon meringue, coconut with white rum, Irish coffee, as well as old favourites such as Vanilla, Chocolate, Strawberry. Look out for our guide to Dunham Massey & Warburton available in the Spring.

The Trafford Centre to the West of the Borough in Urmston is known far and wide for shopping, entertainment and sport, but the towns and villages of Trafford also offer a wide range of shopping experiences. Why not combine a shopping trip with one of our many visitor attractions. You could easily combine a half day's shopping with many of the venues featured in this guide.

Where featured the numbers on images represent the venue location on the map featured on the back cover of this guide.

Whatever your interests we hope to welcome you in 2012.

Coach Parking in Trafford

The majority of coach parking in Trafford is provided by individual venues. The council is continuing to investigate opportunities for coach parking and drop off and pick up zones and will publish the information on its web site as soon as progress is made.

Tourist Information

For more help on planning your visit contact our Tourist Information Service on 0161 912 5931 or email them at tourist.information@trafford.gov.uk

Cover photo
Airkix. Trafford Quays Leisure Village.

What's on in 2012

St George's Bike Blessing

Sunday 15th April

Dunham Massey Hall 2.45pm

www.bikeblessing.co.uk

A Taste of Trafford Spring Food & Drink Festival

Sunday 22 April

Altrincham Market 11 - 4.30pm

www.atasteoftrafford.com

The Lego Show

5-7 May

Event City, The Trafford Centre

www.thelegoshow.com

Great Manchester Run

Sunday 15 May

Manchester & The Quays

www.greatrun.org/events

Looping the Loop - The Launch of the Cultural Olympiad in the North West at The Quays

Incorporating The two cities boat race

Saturday 19th May

The Quays, Manchester's Waterfront, Salford & Trafford

www.thequays.org.uk

The Greater Manchester Marathon

Sunday 20th May

Across Trafford

www.greatermanchestermarathon.com

Red House Farm Maize Maze

July - September

Red House Farm, Dunham.

www.redhousefarm.co.uk

England V Australia One Day International

Sunday 10 July

Old Trafford Cricket Ground

Olympic Football

Thursday 26 July - Monday 7 August

Old Trafford

www.london2012.com/old-trafford

Altrincham Beer & Cask Festival

Sat 25 - Mon 27 August

Altrincham Market

www.belgianbaraltrincham.co.uk

England V South Africa One Day International

Monday 10 September

Old Trafford Cricket Ground

A Taste of Trafford

Sunday 23 September

www.atasteoftrafford.com

For up to date information on what's on in Trafford visit www.trafford.gov.uk/events

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Altrincham Town Centre & Market

0161 912 4384
penny.bell@trafford.gov.uk
www.altrincham.org.uk



Altrincham has been a market town since 1290. Some of the most attractive areas of the town are highlighted here. The "Old Market Place" is the site of the original Saxon market place and the original town hall can be seen next to The Unicorn Hotel. Goose Green once the home of market gardeners, wheelwrights & weavers is now home to restaurants, bars and independent retailers as is The Downs. The town centre has a good mix of high street names and independents and is home to a cinema and ice rink. Altrincham Market operates Tuesdays & Saturdays with a smaller market on Fridays, and an antique market on Thursdays. A popular vintage market "Magpies and I" operates alongside a producers market on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Hale Village Shopping

0161 912 4502
kay.harwood@trafford.gov.uk



If you're interested in independent shopping Hale village is a must. Last time we looked there were; three fashion shops for women plus a lovely lingerie shop, two shoe shops and a bridal boutique. Two florists, two art galleries, two children's clothes and accessories shops. The picture framers has some great pictures and, like the delightful Hale Post Office, offers a wide range of cards, gifts & gift wrap. Hale Bookshop is also good for cards and Bladon's Chemists has some lovely gift ideas. The village abounds with places to eat and drink including Earle owned by celebrity chef Simon Rimmer, Gastronomy is a wonderfully independent cafe above the delicatessen of the same name. There is also an old fashioned sweet shop butcher, baker and ... wine merchant.

Sale Town Centre

0161 912 4384
penny.bell@trafford.gov.uk
www.saletowncentre.co.uk



The Bridgewater Canal runs right through the heart of the town. Alongside is Waterside Plaza with its outdoor amphitheatre, and Waterside Arts Centre, home to the Lauriston Art Gallery and Robert Bolt Theatre. A couple of bars and a restaurant make it an attractive area to sit and while away an hour or two.

The Square Shopping Centre is home to big name brands whilst many of the town's independents are to be found on School, Northenden, Hope and Tatton Roads. One of Sale's hidden gems is Artisan who specialise in stained glass and can be found on Tatton Road.

The Trafford Centre

0161 749 1717 /171
 customer services/ group bookings
www.traffordcentre.co.uk



Situated just five miles outside Manchester city centre, visitors have the choice of 230 stores along three miles of granite and marble boulevards. Stores range from designer and high fashion favourites, including the first Selfridges outside London and stylish homewares at Barton Square.

From tea dances and Mall Walking to fashion shows, book signings, pop concerts and film premieres, there's always something going on. The Centre is also home to 60 restaurants, cafes and bars in The Orient and the opulent Great Hall as well as a 20 screen Odeon cinema. Next door you'll find Trafford Quays Leisure Village to keep the thrill seekers happy.

Altrincham Garrick Playhouse

Barrington Road, Altrincham. WA14 1HZ

0161 928 1677

boxoffice@altrinchamgarrick.co.uk

www.altrinchamgarrick.co.uk



Altrincham Garrick Playhouse is a purpose built theatre opened in 1932. The theatre was fully refurbished in 1999 to seat 401 people in warm and comfortable surroundings. As a community theatre 12 productions are presented each season, running from September to June. Local operatic societies also present their musicals at the theatre during March/April and October/November each year. Theatre auditorium and rehearsal rooms are available for hire for conference, exhibition, meetings, presentations and lectures. Disabled facilities are available.

Open: Please visit the web site for a list of forthcoming productions.

Admission: Discounts available

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
✓ Meet & greet
✓ Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

The Bowdon Rooms/The Cinnamon Club

The Firs, Bowdon, Altrincham. WA14 2TQ

0161 926 8992

sales@thebowdonrooms.co.uk

www.thebowdonrooms.co.uk



Open seven nights a week. Sunday to Thursday dance Classes including Ballroom, Latin, Salsa, Modern Jive. The Cinnamon Club presents **Live Music on Fridays specialising in Jazz & Blues**. The Bowdon Rooms has the largest dedicated sprung floor in Cheshire and over 1000 dancers take advantage of our lessons and social events each week. If you would like to learn to dance, to exercise and to meet people just take a look at their web site.

Available for private functions and weddings on Saturdays. The Club holds a civil licence for weddings, and can take up to 240 guest in the main ballroom and 90 upstairs in the private Lounge.

Open: Every night

Contact: Neil Hughes

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
✓ Meet & greet
Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
✓ Restaurant
Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Waterside Arts Centre

1 Waterside Plaza, Sale. M33 7ZF.

0161 928 1677

watersideartscentre@trafford.gov.uk

www.watersideartscentre.co.uk



Waterside Arts Centre is home to The Robert Bolt Theatre & The Lauriston Art Gallery. The 346 seat theatre hosts regular touring professional productions in addition to a calendar of more local events.

Most productions offer a group booking discount "buy 10 tickets get one free".

The Lauriston Art Gallery is part of the Waterside complex and offers a changing programme of works

Open: Open Monday to Saturday 10am - 5pm, 7pm on performance nights.

Admission: Theatre various, Galleries Free **Teacher Pupil Ratio:** 10:1

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
✓ Meet & greet
✓ Guided tours
✓ Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
✓ Bar
Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Other evening entertainment



Trafford has 2 cinemas and 2 night clubs. The 6 screen Apollo in Altrincham where it's possible to hire the smallest cinema for a private view and the 20 screen cinema at The Trafford Centre. The Night Owl Soul Club in Sale takes place on the second Saturday of every month with Tamla Motown, 70's Disco, Chart Busters & Northern Soul Anthems for over 25's. Suburbia spins glamorous dance floor favourites below ground in Hale Village.

Apollo Cinema	www.apollocinemas.com	0161 220 6000
Odeon Cinema	www.odeon.co.uk	0161 224 4007
Night Owl Soul Club	www.thenightowl.pizco.com/	07770 754 431
Suburbia	www.suburbia.uk.com	0161 942 9980

Activities

Broad Oak Farm

Chapel Lane, Warburton, Lymm, Cheshire. WA13

0161 928 2143

Fax: 0161 941 6419

www.chapelsaddlebacks.co.uk



Broad Oak is an 83 acre/33.8 hectare mixed livestock (including rare breeds) and arable working farm run by the Booth Family. Visits are flexible and can be tailored to school groups (all key stages), college or university students, or other groups such as guides and scouts. A pre-visit to the farm is always advisable and Stephen Booth is always happy to discuss the scope and potential of any visit.

There is no entrance fee, visits are possible due to the Educational Access provisions made by membership of the Countryside Stewardship Scheme. Broad Oak Farm has no public footpaths, no rights of way, no bridle paths and is not in any area of public access covered by the general term "rights to roam."

CEVAS accredited. More details are available on the farms

2-3	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
✓	Meet & greet
✓	Guided tours
	Coach drop off/pick up
✓	Coach parking on site
	Gift shop
	Tea room/cafe
	Restaurant
✓	Picnic area
	Toilets
	Education officer
✓	Teacher/pupil Pack

Open: All year subject to arrangement

Red House Farm - including the Maize Maze

Red House Farm, Red House Lane, Dunham Massey, Altrincham. WA14 5RL

0161 941 3480

info@redhousefarm.co.uk

www.redhousefarm.co.uk



This family run business on the National Trust estate of Dunham Massey is more than just a farm shop & tea rooms. The shop specialises in stocking its own homemade produce, from tempting cakes and pastries to warming soups and summer salad dressings, meanwhile the award-winning tea rooms offers a delicious array of freshly prepared lunches and afternoon teas in the pleasant surroundings of the Dunham Massey countryside.

Other events include the highly popular children's birthday parties, as well as evening cookery classes, food festivals, and family orientated seasonal events at Easter, Halloween and Christmas. The flagship event is the annual summer maize maze, attracting thousands of visitors every year. Groups are more than welcome at the farm by prior arrangement.

Open: All year round.
Maize Maze: July to September

2-4	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
✓	Meet & greet
	Guided tours
	Coach drop off/pick up
✓	Coach parking on site
✓	Gift shop
✓	Tea room/cafe
	Restaurant
✓	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
	Education officer
	Teacher/pupil Pack

Laser Quest & The Rock

The Dome, The Trafford Centre, Manchester, M17

0161 755 0600
 Fax: 0161 747 0600
www.lqtc.co.uk



Laser Quest is the ultimate sci-fi action adventure for all ages - each game session lasts between 20-25 minutes, with up to 30 players. We provide a full briefing and all the equipment you need. Each player wears a futuristic body pack and carries a laser gun, with each game played out in our specially designed, interactive, multi-level labyrinth, with swirling fog, music and lights.

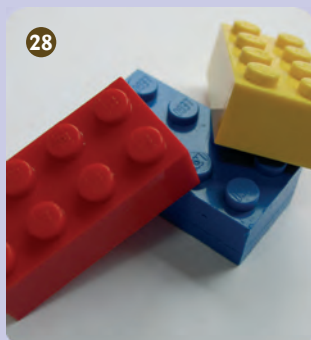
The Rock stands at about 3½ meters so you are never far from the thickly padded ground. Players have to continuously climb against the ever-moving rock, but watch out the tilting action may mean you end up upside down!

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
Meet & greet
Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Legoland Discovery Centre

Barton Square, The Trafford Centre. M17 8AA.

0161 749 2870
www.legolanddiscoverycentre.co.uk/manchester



LEGOLAND Discovery Centres are exciting new indoor attractions based on the ever popular LEGO brick, a LEGOLAND Discovery Centre offers a fun, highly interactive and educational experience ideal for children 3-12 years old.

Reach out and touch the stars in the 4D cinema; learn top secrets from the LEGO Master Model Builder; have fun on an exciting interactive LEGO ride; see iconic global landmarks in the hugely popular MINILAND; make that birthday or celebration even more special in one of the special party rooms; and much more. A visit to a LEGOLAND Discovery Centre is the perfect way for Dad to amuse the kids for a few hours while Mum shops, or a place for the whole family to enjoy together.

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
Meet & greet
Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
✓ Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
Picnic area
Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Art Cafés & Craft Workshops



Trafford's Art Cafés aren't just for children. Each of the venues has its own distinctive style which has been designed to appeal to both adults and children. Pottery painting, deco-patch and clay imprints are popular activities for all generations. Fancy an alternative hen party? At Minikin you could paint the new Mr & Mrs a whole dinner service, make and paint all of the wedding favours, or all just paint Mugs as a memory of the big day. Look out for one of Bean and Brush's special fun craft evenings for grown ups only with tempting buffet, or try Wednesday nights drink nibbles & needlecraft session. French Knots Craft Studio offer a range of craft workshops.

The Art Cafe	www.apollocinemas.com	0161 220 6000
Bean & Brush	www.beanandbrush.co.uk	0161 224 4007
Minikin Emporium	www.minikindesings.com	08000 155 122
French Knots Craft Studio	www.frenchknots.co.uk	0777 578 0533

Children's Play Centres



A new £2m children's play centre is due to open in spring 2012 underneath the indoor ski slope Chill Factor. It will be the UK's largest indoor play centre and will cater for children aged up to 12. Other facilities will include a laser tag arena, a football pitch and electric go-karts. Play Factor will also host children's fitness classes, discos and cookery and craft classes. Land of Play an established play centre is in Trafford Park close to both The Trafford Centre and The Quays great for a dual centre visit. Antz in your Pantz is close to the Metrolink station in Timperley.

- Antz in Your Pantz www.antzinyourpantz.co.uk 0161 962 2266
- Land of Play www.landofplay.co.uk 0161 872 9434
- Playfactor www.traffordleisure.co.uk/golf 0161 928 0761

Paradise Island Adventure Golf

The Dome, The Trafford Centre, Manchester. M17 8AA

0161 202 9544
manchester@paradiseislandgolf.com
www.paradiseislandgolf.com



Forget crazy golf this is adventure golf! Home to an 18 hole adventure golf courses set amidst a tropical paradise full of magnificent stone carvings, tiki huts and exotic wildlife. Situated in the Trafford Centre, adjacent to the Odeon, the two courses (Tiki Hut Trail and Temple Ruins Adventure) span two levels over a 16,000 sq/ft area. For anyone who is bored of bowling or fed up with films this is a must visit attraction for all the family, but remember, it's not the taking part that counts... It's the winning!

1	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
✓	Meet & greet
	Guided tours
	Coach drop off/pick up
✓	Coach parking on site
	Gift shop
	Tea room/cafe
	Restaurant
	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
	Education officer
	Teacher/pupil Pack

Open: Open Monday to Sunday 10am - 11pm.

A Round of Golf



In addition to two public golf courses, Altrincham & William Wroe, Trafford is home to three private golf courses which welcome groups by prior arrangement. All are 18 hole except for the 9 Hole Hale Golf club - a great option if you have limited time.

- Altrincham Golf Course www.traffordleisure.co.uk/golf 0161 928 0761
- Hale Golf Club www.halegolfclub.com 0161 980 4225
- Ringway Golf Club www.ringwaygolfclub.co.uk 0161 980 2630
- William Wroe Golf Course www.traffordleisure.co.uk/golf 0161 748 8680
- Dunham Forest Golf & Country Club www.dunhamforest.com 0161 928 2605

Trafford Golf Centre

Old Park Lane, Trafford Quays, Manchester. M17 8PG

0161 749 7000

Info@traffordgolfcentre.co.uk

www.traffordgolfcentre.co.uk



Trafford Golf Centre is the North's leading Golf Centre and driving range. Whether you're a family looking for a fun day out or a seasoned golfer looking for the best practice facilities and coaching, you'll find it here. We offer a 57 bay driving range over two tiers, four on-site PGA Qualified Teaching Professionals, American golf store and extensive free on-site car parking.

Open: Weekdays 9am - 10.30pm, Weekends 9am - 9pm

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
Meet & greet
Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Aerial Extreme

Regent Crescent Car Park, The Trafford Centre, Manchester. M17 8AA

0845 652 1736

info@aerilaextreme.co.uk

www.aerilaextreme.co.uk



Aerial Extreme is a fun day out on one of the world's most awesome High Rope Adventure Courses. There are over thirty obstacles to tackle including speedy drops, mid air jumps and suspended gravity defying climbing walls and much more.

Aimed at ages 6 to 60, there's no experience or skill required and friendly, experienced staff are close at hand. You're always clipped into a safety system so you can concentrate on enjoying yourself.

Families, groups, birthday parties, schools and corporate away-days should all have a great time at Aerial Extreme and there are family and group discounts available.

2 Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
✓ Meet & greet
✓ Guided tours
✓ Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
✓ Gift shop
✓ Tea room/cafe
✓ Restaurant
✓ Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Airkix

9 Trafford Way, Manchester. M41 7JA

0845 331 6549

groups@airkix.com

www.airkix.com/groups



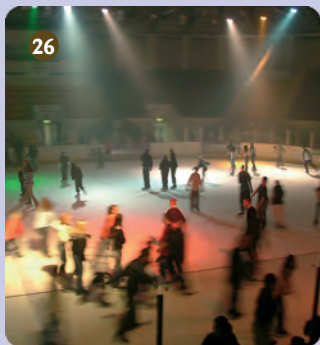
The UK's largest indoor skydiving complex opened in December 2009. Simulated skydiving is a fantastic sport for both beginners and experienced jumpers with participants getting twice the "flight time" of a typical skydive. The experience of a free fall descent is created by four giant fans which are used to pump 1.7 million cubic feet of air up into the 35ft high 14ft diameter tunnel at speeds of 170mph. Packages start at £29.99 with discounts available for groups. The tunnel can accommodate up to four skydivers at once.

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
Meet & greet
Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
Picnic area
Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Altrincham Ice Dome

Oldfield Road, Altrincham. WA15 8EW

08700 852929
 Info@altrinchamicedome.co.uk
 www.altrinchamicedome.co.uk



Open seven days a week and able to cater for a whole range of tastes including Community Skating, Ice Hockey, Figure Skating, Synchronised skating, Birthday parties and more. Private hire of the rink available.

For tuition contact the international school of skating on:
 0777 158 9682

The dome is available for teams, groups, schools and individuals.

1.5	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
✓	Meet & greet
	Guided tours
✓	Coach drop off/pick up
	Coach parking on site
✓	skate shop
	Tea room/cafe
	Restaurant
	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
	Education officer
	Teacher/pupil Pack

Open: Open all year for timings please visit the web site
 Admission: Please visit the web site Group size: Min. 1 , Max 200

Challenge 4 Change

373 Trafford Park Road, Manchester. M17 1AL.

0300 123 1401
 info@challenge4change.org
 www.challenge4change.org



Do you want to challenge your group, try something different or just have a great time?

Challenge 4 Change (C4C) is the only **indoor** training centre of its kind in the North of England. The centre combines training and conference facilities with a 13 station aerial runway over 35 feet off the ground, a high ropes training course and a low level obstacle course. Activities include Assault Course, Jacobs Ladder, Giant Swing, Climbing Wall, 40ft Elvis Pole.

C4C is a registered charity.

	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
✓	Meet & greet
	Guided tours
✓	Coach drop off/pick up
✓	Coach parking on site
	Gift shop
✓	Tea room/cafe
	Restaurant
✓	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
	Education officer
✓	Teacher/pupil Pack

Open: Open all year Flexible opening hours including evenings.
 Admission: Various Group size: Min. 1, Max 30

Chill Factor^e

Trafford Way, Trafford Quays, Manchester. M41 7JA

0161 749 2222
 Info@chillfactore.com
 www.chillfactore.com



Manchester's Indoor Real Snow Centre, Chill Factor^e, is home to the UK's longest indoor real snow slope. Skiers and snowboarders can take advantage of the year-round perfect snow conditions. There's plenty to entertain groups of any size, from whizzing down the ice luge and sliding down the slopes in tubes to tackling the climbing wall.

- A real winter wonderland, where groups can ski, board, climb, shop and dine, whatever the weather.
- Group skiing and snowboarding lessons available with friendly and professional instructors. Discounts on snow activities for schools and groups of more than 10 people.

Open: Mon/Tue/Thu/Sat 7.30am-12am, Wed 7am - 12am, Sun 6.30am-12am.
 Sat & Sun 9am - 11pm Admission: Activities from £10pp Group size: Min. 10, Max 120

✓	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
✓	Meet & greet
✓	Guided tours
✓	Coach drop off/pick up
✓	Coach parking on site
✓	Gift shop
✓	Tea room/cafe
✓	Restaurant
✓	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
✓	Education officer
✓	Teacher/pupil Pack

Daytona Karting

Unit 4 Circle South, Trafford Park Road, Trafford Park , M17 1NF.

0845 644 5505

manchester@daytona.co.uk

www.daytona.co.uk



Daytona Manchester offers both groups and individuals the ability to race in a state-of-the-art indoor karting venue. Situated in a 50,000 square feet building, Daytona Manchester combines exciting racing and luxurious hospitality.

*Group discounts for groups of 60 drivers or more.

Minimum age 16

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
Meet & greet
Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Open: Monday to Friday 9am - 9pm, Saturday & Sunday 8am -8pm **Admission:** From £25pp, juniors From £21

Messing About on The Mersey

Rifle Road, Sale. M33 2LX.

0790 585 1299

messagingaboutonthemersey@ntlworld.com

www.messagingaboutonthemersey.co.uk



Bring your group canoeing down the River Mersey through South Manchester. A journey will take you from Stockport, through Manchester ending up in Trafford, alternatively we are now expanding to running trips on The Bridgewater Canal.

We can provide canoeing activities for large groups and have spent the last 2 years doing as such. From schools, guide and scout groups to stag and hen parties and also providing both large 70+ corporate activity days (including climbing/cycling and archery) to small bespoke business groups.

Come along for an exciting day out without needing to go all the way to The Lakes or Wales.

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
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Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
✓ Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Powerleague Trafford Soccer Dome

Trafford Way, Trafford Park. M17 8DD

0161 755 9720

trafford@powerleague.co.uk

www.powerleague.co.uk



A state of the art indoor facility, dedicated to providing top quality 5-a-side soccer, played on a synthetic sports surface that duplicates the playing conditions of real grass. Four outdoor pitches, 19 indoor pitches.

Children's soccer parties are also available. An hour's exciting soccer with a penalty shoot out, team photo & presentation of a medal to the penalty shoot out winner. After the match food is served at a balloon festooned party table. A goodie bag for each child rounds off the fun.

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
Meet & greet
Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Trafford Watersports Centre

Rifle Road, Sale. M33 2LX



Trafford Watersports Centre offers courses for sailing, windsurfing, kayaking, canoeing, powerboating and personal watercraft. Equipment hire is available for most activities with the exception of powerboats and personal watercraft. There are both water ski & jet ski clubs on site. Corporate entertainment and development training are available for businesses. Youth and group bookings are also welcomed.

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
✓ Meet & greet
Guided tours
✓ Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
✓ Restaurant
✓ Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
✓ Teacher/pupil Pack

Open: Open all year
Admission: Various, Group size: Min. 1, Max 30

Walking, Cycling & Horseriding

www.visittrafford.info



There are a range of opportunities for walking, cycling and horse riding in Trafford. The Bridgewater Way, Bollin Valley, Mersey Valley and Trans Pennine Trail are the largest of these. The John Shaw Equestrian Centre in Urmston has over 30 horses and ponies and provides off-road hacking and cross country jumping rides. Younger children will enjoy the Pony Parties offered by The Lavender Barn Tea Rooms in Dunham offer Pony Parties. Greater Manchester's Countryside has a range of downloadable walks and cycle trails.

Greater Manchester's Countryside	www.manchesterscountryside.com
The Bollin Valley Way	www.bollinvalley.org.uk
The Bridgewater Way	www.bridgewatercanal.co.uk
The Mersey Valley	www.merseyvalley.org.uk
The Trans Pennine Trail	www.transpenninetrail.org.uk
John Shaw Equestrian Centre	www.jsequestiran.co.uk
Pony Parties at The Lavender Barn Tea Room	0787 659 7672

IWM North

The Quays, Trafford Wharf Road, Manchester. M17 1TZ

0161 836 4064
learningnorth@iwm.org.uk
www.iwm.org.uk/north



The multi award winning Imperial War Museum North is a great free day out for all the family. Designed by world renowned architect Daniel Libeskind to represent a globe shattered by conflict, it reveals how war and conflict have shaped lives from 1900 to now.

- Group discounts and free benefits available to groups of 10 or more who book in advance.
- Innovative changing exhibition and event programme throughout the year.

Open: Open all year (ex 24-26 Dec), 10am - 5pm
Admission: Free to all, Group size: Min. 10, Max 30 Mandatory pupil/teacher ratio: 10 to 1
Contact: Learning & Access Team

2 Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
✓ Meet & greet
✓ Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
✓ Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
✓ Restaurant
✓ Picnic area
✓ Toilets
✓ Education officer
✓ Teacher/pupil Pack

Manchester United Museum & Tour Centre

Sir Matt Busby Way, Old Trafford, Manchester, M16 0RA

0161 868 8000 (option 3 then option 2)

toursenquiry@manutd.co.uk

www.manutd.com



Old Trafford, the home of Manchester United, is widely regarded as one of the world's greatest football stadiums and is the largest football club museum in the UK. Visitors to the stadium can re-live the club's triumphs & tragedies at the Manchester United Museum, or delve behind the scenes on the stadium tour, where you can stand in Fergie's spot in the dug out, sit at your favourites players peg in the dressing room and emerge from the tunnel to the roar of the crowd.

- The Stadium tour is both fun and educational
- The museum contains a display of interest for all age groups.

Open: Open all year (ex. Match days, 25 Dec & 1 Jan) Mon - Sun 9.30am - 5pm.

Admission: Museum & Tour Teacher & Pupils £5 **Adult Group Rate:** £12.50, **Concessions:** £9
Pupil/teacher ratio: 1 teacher per 10 children.

2	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
✓	Meet & greet
✓	Guided tours
✓	Coach drop off/pick up
✓	Coach parking on site
✓	Gift shop
✓	Tea room/cafe
✓	Restaurant
✓	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
✓	Education officer
	Teacher/pupil Pack

Trafford Park Heritage Centre

11th Street, Trafford Park. M17 1JF.

0161 848 9173

heritage@stantonyscentre.org.uk

www.stantonyscentre.org.uk



Based in the former St Antony's School, this small heritage centre houses a permanent exhibition of Trafford Park History over the past 100 years, in particular the village area. Exhibitions are held featuring different aspects of Trafford Park history. The centre also houses the Trafford Park archive. A short walking tour of the village area is available for pre-booked groups at £3.00 per person. History and educational talks can also be held on site at a cost of £3.50 per head including refreshments.

Open: Monday to Friday 10am - 4pm, other times by arrangement.

Admission: Free, **Group Bookings:** £3.50pp for heritage & educational talks

Pupil/teacher ratio: 1:10, **Contact:** St Antony's Centre

½	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
	Meet & greet
✓	Guided tours
✓	Coach drop off/pick up
	Coach parking on site
✓	Gift shop
✓	Tea room/cafe
	Restaurant
	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
	Education officer
	Teacher/pupil Pack

Lauriston Art Gallery - Waterside Arts Centre

1 Waterside Plaza, Sale. M33 7ZF.

0161 912 1142

watersideartscentre@trafford.gov.uk

www.watersideartscentre.co.uk



The Lauriston Art Gallery is part of the Waterside arts centre in the centre of Sale. There is no permanent collection here, instead the gallery hosts a changing programme of national touring exhibitions, and exhibitions by local community groups.

A number of workshops and children's activities are held throughout the year. Please check the web site for details.

Open: Monday to Saturday 10am - 5pm

Admission: FREE

Group size: Min 1, Max 35

Contact: Rosie Scott

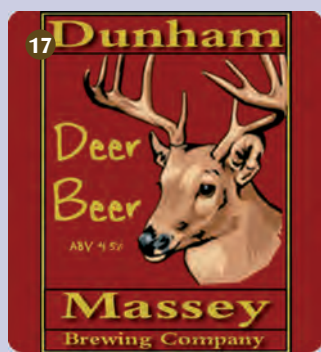
2	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
✓	Meet & greet
✓	Guided tours
✓	Coach drop off/pick up
✓	Coach parking on site
	Gift shop
	Tea room/cafe
	Restaurant
	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
	Education officer
	Teacher/pupil Pack

Dunham Massey Brewing Company

100 Oldfield Lane, Dunham Massey, Altrincham. WA14 4PE

0161 929 0663

info@dunhammasseybrewing.co.uk
www.dunhammasseybrewing.co.uk



Trafford's first craft brewery opened for business in a converted barn in Dunham Massey in autumn 2007 and produces both cask and bottled beer. Throughout 2008 Dunham Massey Brewing Company won a total of 10 awards and also featured in the Great British Beer Festival.

There is an on site shop and small exhibition area where John a knowledgeable and entertaining speaker gives talks to small groups.

Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
✓ Meet & greet
Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
Picnic area
Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Open: all year,
Contact: John Costello

Dunham Massey Hall & Gardens - National Trust

Altrincham. WA14 4SJ

0161 941 1025

dunhammassey@nationaltrust.org.uk
www.nationaltrust.org.uk



A complete country estate with a house, garden and deer park at its centre, Dunham Massey is packed with 300 years of colourful history brought alive by friendly guides, tours, quizzes and imaginative events. The **Georgian House** with Edwardian interiors has fine collections of furniture, silver and paintings. Fallow deer graze under ancient trees in the formal **Deer Park** where there is also a fully restored working sawmill powered by an overshot water wheel.

The garden at Dunham is a great plantsman's garden with interesting historic features and a winter garden opened in 2009 means there is all year round interest.

Open: House, Saturday to Wednesday 27 February - 31 October 2010 11am - 5pm.
Group size: Min.15 , Max
Contact: Visitor Services

3 Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
✓ Meet & greet
✓ Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
✓ Coach parking on site
✓ Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
✓ Restaurant
✓ Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Walkden Gardens

Derbyshire Road, Sale. M33 3EL.

0161 912 2000

www.walkdengardens.co.uk



Known locally as The Maze, Walkden Gardens is a beautiful and peaceful hideaway close to the centre of Sale. The gardens, a little over five acres, were inspired by the famous garden at Hidcote Manor in Gloucestershire. There are many similarities. Long alleys with vistas, a series of smaller garden 'rooms' (some originally intended for individual plant species) and the unique and beautifully proportioned Theatre Lawn. The grade II Victorian dovecote now in the gardens belonged to Sale Old Hall built in 1603 but sadly demolished in 1930.

The Friends of Walkden Gardens are helping to restore the gardens to their former glory. Tours of the park can sometimes be arranged through the council's parks department or by The Friends of Walkden Gardens for a small donation. In the first instance please contact Trafford Council on the number above.

Open: Everyday, daylight hours.
Admission: Free

1 Average length of visit hrs
✓ Pre-booking required
✓ Meet & greet
✓ Guided tours
Coach drop off/pick up
Coach parking on site
Gift shop
Tea room/cafe
Restaurant
✓ Picnic area
✓ Toilets
Education officer
Teacher/pupil Pack

Southlands

Sandy Lane, Stretford. M32 9DA.

0161 283 9425

moe@southlands12.com

www.southlands12.com



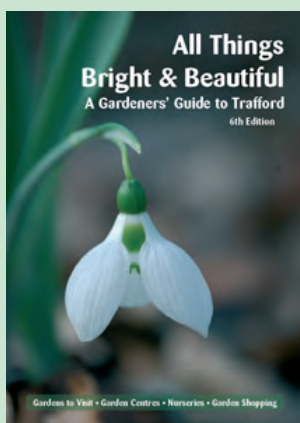
Open: May to September by appointment

A south facing suburban garden created by artists Maureen Sawyer and Duncan Watmough and open for the National Gardens Scheme. The long narrow site has been divided into a series of beautiful spaces including a Mediterranean garden with formal pond and water feature, woodland, kitchen garden with large greenhouse, ornamental garden with herbaceous borders and pond. The garden design and the owners' use of a huge range of pots containing stunning arrangements of annuals and perennial plants has made this garden an award winner. Featured in Amateur Gardening, Gardening Which, Gardeners'World, Gardens Monthly and many other publications. Television appearances include Britains' Best Back Gardens and Gardeners World.

Admission fee for entrance to garden, guided tours by owner for a donation. Light refreshments available for an additional charge on request. Open for the NGS Sat / Sun 7-8 July 2012.

3	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
✓	Meet & greet
✓	Guided tours
	Coach drop off/pick up
	Coach parking on site
	Gift shop
✓	Light Refreshments
	Restaurant
	Picnic area
	Toilets
	Education officer
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Garden Centres & Nurseries



Trafford's Garden Centres & Nurseries are a reminder that the area was once renowned for its thriving market gardens. Visit our web site & download a copy of our Gardeners' Guide to Trafford which features gardens to visit including those which open for charity as well as places to buy all your gardening needs. (Available April 2012). Vicarage Garden Centre has gardens which visitors are welcome to walk through, tailored tours are available for groups and societies. Garden Centres which have cafes are highlighted below.

Altrincham Garden Centre

www.altrinchamgardencentre.co.uk

Parkers at Flixton

www.parkersgardencentre.com

Vicarage Gardens & Garden Centre

www.vicaragebotanicalgardens.co.uk

Olympic Football is coming to Old Trafford

www.london2012.com/old-trafford



Old Trafford has been selected as one of only a handful of venues outside of London to be hosting matches in the Olympic Football competition. Countries from all over the world will take part in a total of nine matches at the stadium, including quarter-final and semi-final games. Tickets for Olympic Football will go back on sale in April. Team GB men's team will play their first match at Old Trafford on the 26 July 2012.

Dates for games at Old Trafford are:

- Thursday 26 July two men's matches back to back kick off 5pm
- Sunday 29 July two men's matches back to back kick off 12 noon
- Tuesday 31 July women's preliminary match kick off 5.15pm
- Wednesday 1 August men's preliminary match kick off 5pm
- Saturday 4 August men's quarter final kick off 12 noon
- Monday 6 August women's semi final kick off 7.45pm
- Tuesday 7 August men's semi final kick off 7.45pm

Altrincham Football Club

0161 928 1045

Moss Lane, Hale, Altrincham. WA15 8DF

www.altrinchamfc.co.uk



Altrincham Football Club is a short 10 minute walk from Altrincham town centre. The club were founder members of the Manchester League in 1893 and are the only founder members still in existence. The club moved to it's current home in 1910. Their first game at Moss Lane was against Macclesfield which they won 3-1. The clubs home strip is red and white stripes, they are nicknamed The Robins and have a mascot called Rocky Robin. Altrincham FC's biggest claim to fame is defeating Birmingham City 2-1 at St. Andrews in 1986, only the second time in history that a non-league side has beaten a 1st Division club in a F.A. Cup tie away from home.

Open: Please visit the club's website for a list of forthcoming matches.

Admission: Adults £13-£15, concessions £8-9, 12-16 years £5, Under 12's £2.

2	Average length of visit hrs
	Pre-booking required
	Meet & greet
	Guided tours
	Coach drop off/pick up
	Coach parking on site
✓	Gift shop
	Tea room/cafe
	Restaurant
	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
	Education officer
	Teacher/pupil Pack

Lancashire County Cricket Club

0161 282 4148

Talbot Road, Stretford. M16 0PX

www.lccc.co.uk



Home to pop concerts as well as cricket, check the web site for a list of forthcoming events.

If you are visiting for cricket look out for the small cricket museum which opens on match days with free admission.

Budding Freddie Flintoffs could enjoy 90 minutes of batting and bowling at Lancashire County Cricket Clubs indoor cricket centre. Howzat!

Open: Visit the clubs website for further information

7	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
	Meet & greet
✓	Guided tours
	Coach drop off/pick up
✓	Coach parking on site
✓	Gift shop
	Tea room/cafe
✓	Restaurant
	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
	Education officer
	Teacher/pupil Pack

Manchester Phoenix - Ice Hockey

0161 301 6848

Altrincham Ice Dome, Oldfield Road, Altrincham. WA14 1BA.

info@manchesterphoenix.co.uk
www.manchesterphoenix.co.uk



For a Sunday night with a difference why not come and watch the thrills and spills of ice hockey in a great family atmosphere. Altrincham Ice Dome is home of BMI Baby Elite Ice Hockey Team - Manchester Phoenix.

Matches are played mainly on Sunday nights throughout the season which lasts from September to April.

Matches start around 5.30pm.

Open: Please visit the clubs website for a list of forthcoming matches

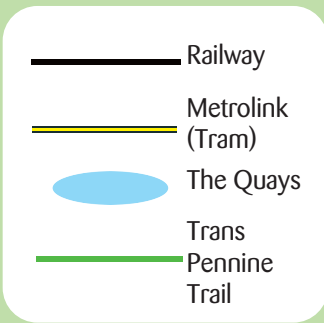
Admission: Adult £12, Child £6, Concession £9

Group size: Min. , Max

Contact: Mags Pullen

2	Average length of visit hrs
✓	Pre-booking required
	Meet & greet
	Guided tours
✓	Coach drop off/pick up
	Coach parking on site
✓	Skate shop
	Tea room/cafe
	Restaurant
	Picnic area
✓	Toilets
	Education officer
✓	Teacher/pupil Pack

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