

MID CHESHIRE LINE—STATION-TO-STATION WALKS

The **Mid Cheshire Community Rail Partnership** would like to share a whole host of different walks with you to experience along the **Mid Cheshire Line!**

These are linear walks from station to station, so you can do as much or as little as you want.... From one of about a mile to all of them at around 60 miles in total...The choice is yours! They go through Cheshire towns, villages and countryside linking together the cities of Manchester and Chester.

These walks were kindly put together, plotted and shared by our volunteers to celebrate **Rail 200**, so a huge thank you to them. In September 2025, a baton was carried along all these routes by around 100 people over 6 days mto commemorate the very first passenger train in the UK.

We have used the **OS Map App** which will guide you along the way. Download it on your phone, and you're away. We have also produced some additional notes and instructions to keep you on track. You'll be pleased to know that they include some places to stop, rest and refresh yourselves before starting, as a pit-stop along the way or to even celebrate at the end of it. You can then use the Mid Cheshire Line for your return journey—a perfect day out!

You will be walking through different landscapes so....

- Take care when crossing roads
- Use footpaths where available
- Stay to the right on roads with no footpaths
- Be cautious of livestock in fields, close all gates
- Be aware of the country code

These are recommended walks and we've done our very best to be as accurate as possible. If you find any corrections that are needed, please let us know at ann.pickup@midcheshirerail.org.uk so we can update the instructions and maps accordingly.

Finally, just enjoy! Have fun. Stay safe.... And feel free to share your experiences with others via social media. You can find us on

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Mid Cheshire Line—Station-to Station walks

A Legacy of Rail 200 in 2025

You will find additional instructions to support the OS Maps for the first 5 walks on the following pages

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Trains to Woodley go from Piccadilly Station

Page 4 **Manchester Central to Navigation Road** **8.75 miles**

Start at the front of the Convention Centre beside the Peterloo statue

Page 5 **Navigation Road to Altrincham** **0.6 miles**

Altrincham to Hale **0.75 miles**

Hale to Ashley **2.3 miles**

If we've not got it quite right, feel free to let us know so we can alter the OS Map, the instructions or both before we go to print in the new year.

Many thanks for your patience and help with this.

Over the next month or so we will add the remaining walks so keep an eye out for them!



Woodley to Stockport via Tiviot Dale— 5.1 miles

At WOODLEY STATION go through station onto HYDE ROAD and bear LEFT
Take first RIGHT onto GRAVEL BANK ROAD
Immediate left onto MANOR ROAD
At end bear LEFT onto Manor View
Immediate RIGHT onto WOODLANDS DRIVE
Cross CANAL then take the MIDDLE track, still WOODLANDS DRIVE
90 degree bend to LEFT
Take next RIGHT and go CROSS OVER BRADDON ROAD
At junction with MILL LANE, turn LEFT
Take next RIGHT onto gated pathway (between industrial units)
Follow path to the RIGHT, then LEFT keeping to edge of field
Follow this pathway until you emerge onto BREDBURY PARK WAY and head LEFT
At the end turn RIGHT onto ASHTON ROAD
At the traffic lights, CROSS onto LINGARD ROAD, going under railway and motorway bridges
Take next road on the LEFT, ESSEX ROAD
Bear left onto BRINDALE ROAD
As houses start, bear LEFT onto pathway
Follow this along (Tiviot Dale disused railway line)
Go through tunnel into REDDISH VALE PARK
When you reach TIVIOT DALE small car park, turn RIGHT and cross river
CROSS TIVIOT WAY at pedestrian crossing and take footpath in front
Follow path with RIVER on your LEFT

You can take a slight detour to see the only remnants of STOCKPORT TIVIOT DALE STATION as well as the confluence of the RIVERS GOYT AND TAME... the start of the RIVER MERSEY. To do this
Go AHEAD at T junction to cross river,
Look RIGHT and UPWARDS to see brick abutments of old station
CONTINUE under motorway to see the start of the River Mersey
Retrace your steps to the T-junction.

At T Junction go LEFT if you've been on the detour or head RIGHT if you haven't
Follow the path until the end when it reaches PENNY LANE
At T-junction lead LEFT onto LANCASHIRE HILL
Just before the motorway bridge, turn RIGHT up steps
Arrive at DODGE HILL
Turn LEFT onto GREENAHLGH STREET
Turn RIGHT into FLORENCE STREET
At WILKINSON ROAD, turn LEFT which leads to a pathway
Follow this onto CHURCH ROAD, Crossing PARSONAGE STREET
At the end, turn LEFT onto WELLINGTON ROAD NORTH (A6)
Cross and head LEFT
MAGNET INN is on right for a real ale.
CONTINUE along A6 and cross the motorway
Turn RIGHT into STATION ROAD to enter STOCKPORT STATION.



Manchester Central to Navigation Road - 8.75 miles

With Manchester Conference Centre on your RIGHT head towards tram lines
CROSS tram lines and LOWER MOSLEY STREET

Head diagonally to the RIGHT across BARBAROLLI SQUARE

SOCIETY food hall is on your LEFT down the steps

Beside BRIDGEWATER HALL take path with water and then canal on Your LEFT

Go under GREAT BRIDGEWATER STREET

RAIN BAR is located here, over the canal and on your LEFT

Turn RIGHT onto canal path and cross canal on metal footbridge

Turn RIGHT with the canal now on your right.

Pass Cornbrook and Pamona Met Stations above on the RIGHT

Cross canal on stone footbridge – canal now on your LEFT

Pass Manchester United FC on the LEFT

Follow footpath over the CANAL and turn LEFT

Water in now on your RIGHT

Go under A56 and A5145 at Stretford

Go under M60 Under DANE ROAD (**BRIDGE INN** is here on your RIGHT)

Pass the WATERSIDE theatre on your right (**SLUG AND LETTUCE** in your RIGHT)

There's a **COFFEE BARGE** moored between Brooklands and Timperley

Pass Brooklands Met Station

With TIMPERLEY Met Station over canal on your LEFT, go under PARK ROAD

Go up steps on the RIGHT up to PARK ROAD and turn RIGHT

Cross the canal, take next right – CANAL ROAD (footpaths narrow or non-existent)

Turn left onto DEANSGATE LANE

With level crossing in front of you, turn RIGHT into TANNERY WAY

Turn right into HOULDSWORTH AVENUE

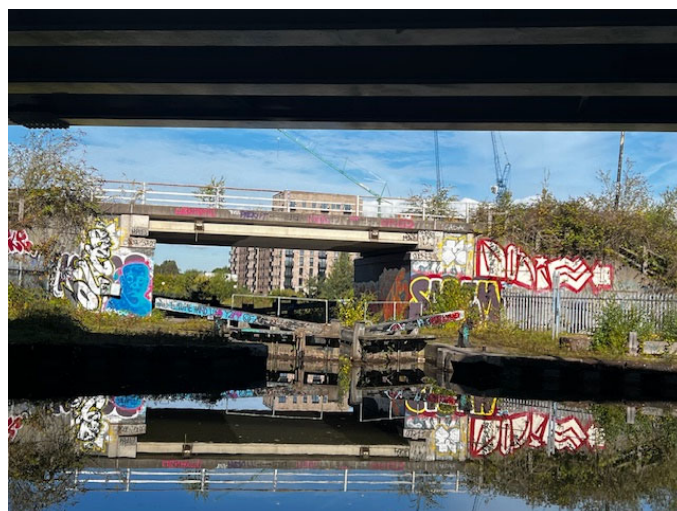
After approximately 30m, take footpath on your LEFT

Cross a brook, continue on path to the LEFT with parkland on your RIGHT

After 225m take path on LEFT which leads to a car park

Keep BOWLING GREEN on your LEFT and cross car park with care

You have now arrived at NAVIGATION ROAD STATION



Navigation Road to Altrincham— 0.6 miles

Leave with rail track on your LEFT
Cross NAVIGATION ROAD
Head down GROSVENOR ROAD (use footpath on RIGHT)
Go straight at the end of GROSVENOR ROAD
Up to STAMFORD NEW ROAD
You have now arrived at ALTRINCHAM INTERCHANGE on your LEFT

Altrincham to Hale— 0.75 miles

From inside the interchange looking at the clock, turn LEFT
Go through door in lower level and go STRAIGHT
Turn LEFT through gate before the slight hill
Turn immediately RIGHT along a path
Continue straight and follow round to the RIGHT
Pass GOOSE GREEN on your RIGHT
Cross LLOYD STREET at crossing
Head STRAIGHT down POWNALL ROAD
Cross HALE ROAD at the crossing
Head along BOLD STREET
At T junction with BATH STREET, turn LEFT
Follow round to reach HALE STATION



Hale to Ashley— 2.3 miles

Cross road and head LEFT over RAILWAY CROSSING
Turn RIGHT into CECIL ROAD and go to the end
Turn RIGHT onto ASHLEY ROAD
Go over railway bridge
Come to SOUTH DOWNS DRIVE on RIGHT
Head slightly LEFT down ASHLEY MILL LANE NORTH
Downhill over bridge of RIVER BOLLIN
Up a hill and then STRAIGHT to meet ASHLEY ROAD
Turn RIGHT (take care, narrow pathway)
At first bend in road, go STRAIGHT AHEAD on a private road to ASHLEY HALL
Pass Hall on your RIGHT
Go over M56 via bridge
At ASHLEY ROAD, turn LEFT
ASHLEY STATION is on your LEFT after 400m
For the **GREYHOUND INN** pass the station and continue to T Junction