

# THE Christmas Model Railway Show

## Travelling to the Barnes Wallis building by car

If you intend to drive to the Barnes Wallis building, the most important thing to remember is that there is **NO** public vehicular access to the building itself. However, this is not really a problem; the venue has its own multi-storey car park about 170m away in **Charles Street**. If you are using a sat-nav, set it to **M1 3BB**. The parking charge at weekends is currently £2 per day.

On leaving the car park by the vehicle exit, turn left and walk to the corner of **Charles Street** and **Sackville Street** (**The Hive** pub stands on this corner.) Alternatively, there is a corridor from the ground floor of the car park directly to Sackville Street. On the opposite side of Sackville Street is **The Gatehouse** - the porters' lodge for the campus. Cross Sackville Street and take the pedestrianised walkway (**Altrincham Street**) between the Gatehouse and the railway viaduct, leaving The Gatehouse on your right.

The **Barnes Wallis** building is about 150m further along this pedestrianised walkway. The entrance is marked by a statue of two interlinked red magnets and is approached by five steps, or a ramp, to a pedestrian bridge across a service road.

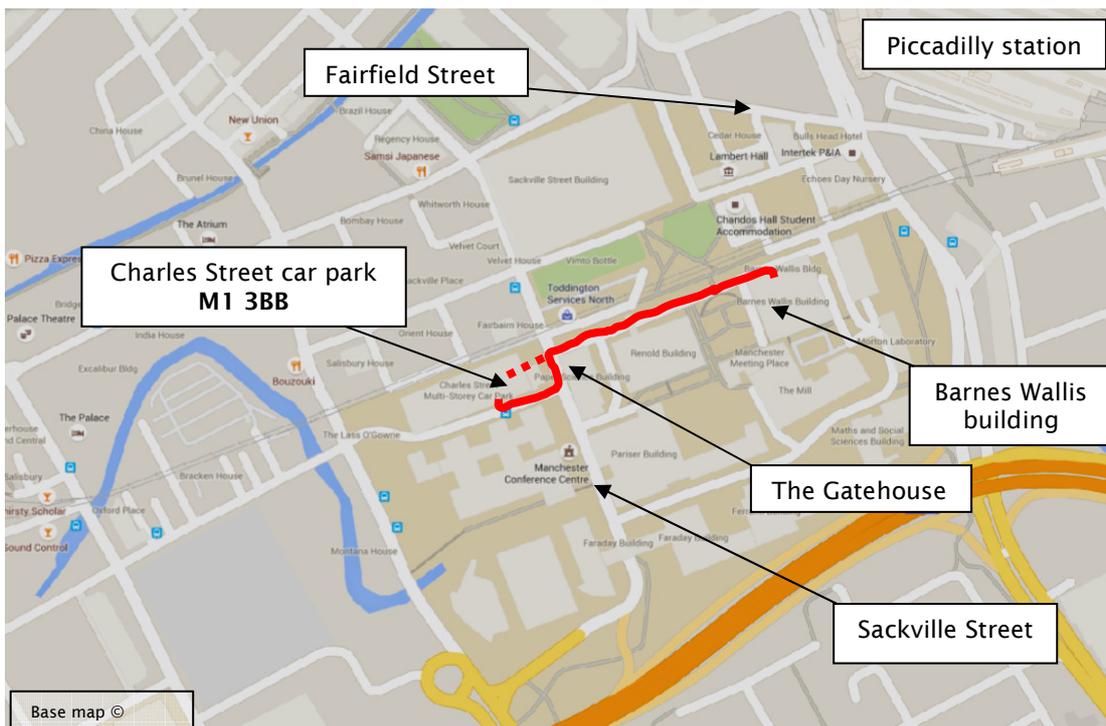
## Park and Ride

As an alternative to driving into central Manchester, consider using a Park & Ride scheme.

There are 24 Metrolink tram stops which offer a park and ride facility and the cost of parking is included in your tram ticket.

There are also 54 rail station and 4 bus Park & Ride schemes in the Greater Manchester area.

For full details visit <https://www.tfgm.com/public-transport/park-and-ride>



## Travelling to Manchester from the south and from Wales.

If you are coming from the south, or from Wales, you probably used the M56 for the final section of your journey. As you approach the city, at **junction 3** of the M56, follow the signs for the city centre and the **A5103, Princess Parkway**.

Similarly, if you are coming from the Macclesfield or Congleton direction and used the **clockwise M60**, leave the M60 at **junction 5** and take the **A5103, Princess Parkway** towards the city centre.

Follow this road for almost 3 miles to its final roundabout. You'll know you're near it when you pass under the very distinctive Hulme Arch. You should follow the signs for **Ashton-under-Lyne, Sheffield, Piccadilly and Universities**.

At this final roundabout, turn right and then get in the right hand lane. You will now be travelling parallel to, and underneath, the eastbound A57(M).

At the next roundabout go straight ahead and join the **A57(M) Mancunian Way**, but you won't be on it for long. Take the very next exit, signposted to the **A34, Wilmslow and Universities**, but be careful! **It is a very sharp left hand exit** followed by a right fork, which takes you directly onto **Sackville Street**.

Less than 100m on, just before **The Hive**, you should turn left into **Charles Street**, and then right into the car park.

## Travelling to Manchester from Liverpool, the west and north-west

If you arrived in Manchester from Liverpool (via the **M62**) or from Preston or Bolton (via the **M61** and anticlockwise M60), you will use the **M602** to enter the city. Take this motorway to its end and continue straight on, following the signs for the city centre. This is the **A57, Regent Road**. Follow this road for about 1.5 miles, following the signs for **Sheffield and Universities**, until, just underneath some large railway bridges, it becomes the **A57(M) Mancunian Way**.

You need the **second** exit from this motorway. It is signposted for the **A34, Wilmslow and Universities**, but be careful! **It is a very sharp left hand exit** followed by a right fork, which takes you directly onto **Sackville Street**.

Less than 100m on, just before **The Hive**, you should turn left into **Charles Street**, and then right into the car park.

## Travelling to Manchester from the north, Yorkshire and the east

If you're travelling to Manchester from across the Pennines or from the Burnley area, there are a variety of routes from the **M60** into the city available to you. Eg **junction 17 (A56)**, **junction 19 (A 576)**, **junction 20 (A664)**, **junction 21 (A663)** or **junction 22 (A62)**. All of these routes will eventually lead you to the **inner ring road, A665**. It's worth checking if there is an event at the Etihad stadium – Manchester City's ground, since this can cause disruption on some of these routes.

Once on the inner ring road, **A665**, follow the signs for **Piccadilly station**, it will be a right turn, but be warned, the signs are not very prominent! This route will take you on to **Fairfield Street** and you will leave Piccadilly station on your right as you pass it.

A slightly longer alternative, which avoids the inner ring road, is to leave the **M60** at **Junction 23** and follow the arrow straight **A635** for just over 3 miles. This will lead you directly to **Fairfield Street** and **Piccadilly station**.

Go past the station and straight on at the cross-roads. Continue for almost 200m and then turn left into **Sackville Street**. Go under the railway viaduct and about 20m beyond, turn right into **Charles Street**, then right again into the car park.

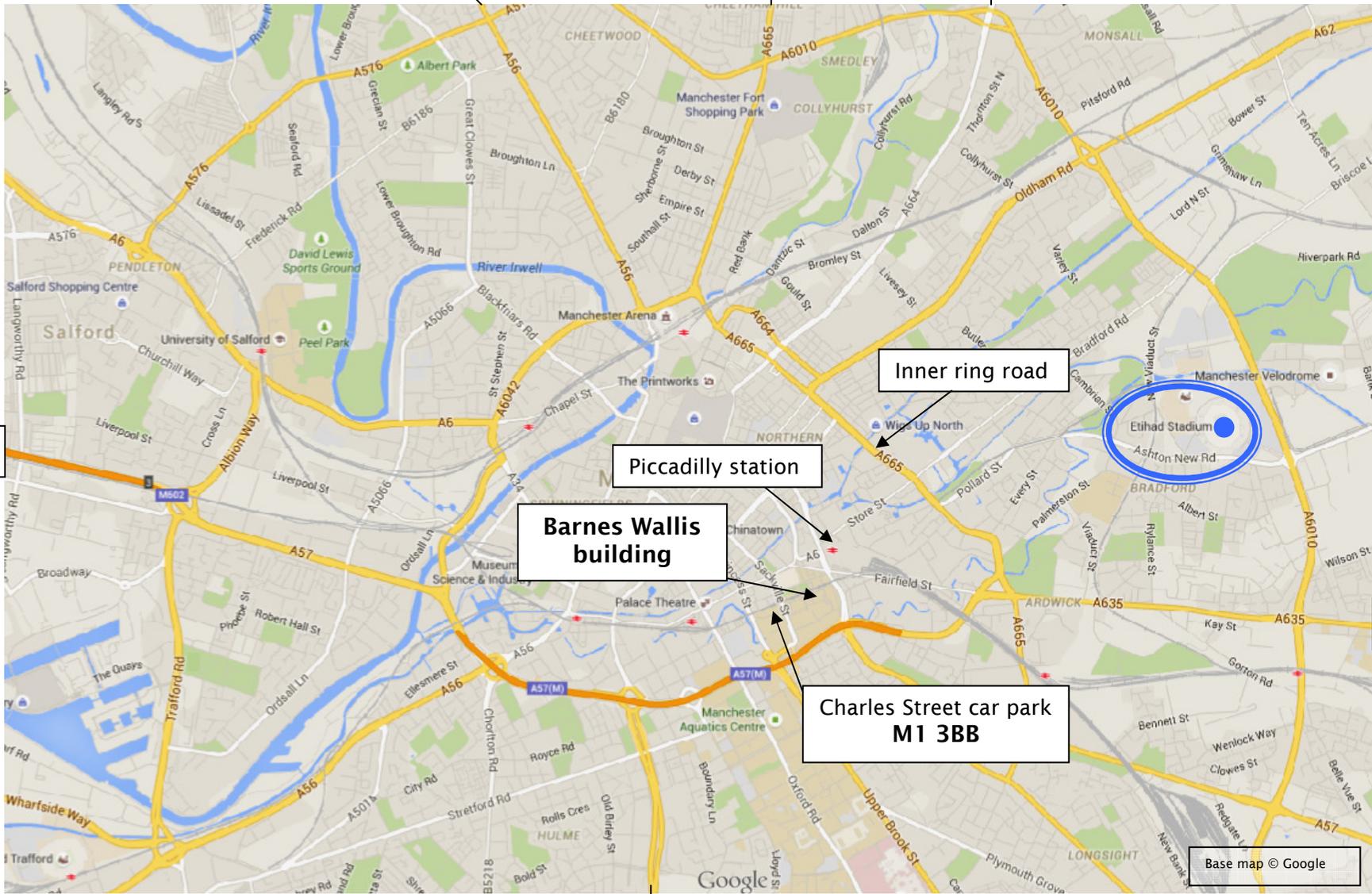
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