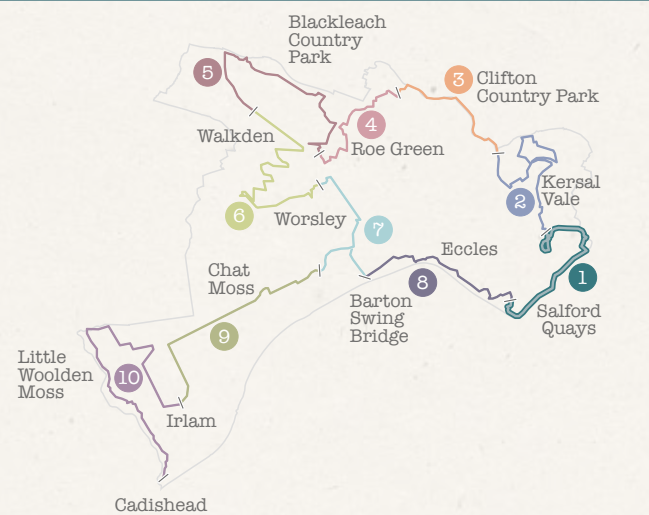**The Salford Trail** is a new, long distance walk of about 50 miles/80 kilometres and entirely within the boundaries of the City of Salford. The route is varied, going through rural areas and green spaces, with a little road walking in between. Starting from the cityscape of Salford Quays, the Trail passes beside rivers and canals, through country parks, fields, woods and moss lands. It uses footpaths, tracks and disused railway lines known as 'loop lines'. The Trail circles around to pass through Kersal, Agecroft, Walkden, Boothstown and Worsley before heading off to Chat Moss. The Trail returns to Salford Quays from the historic Barton swing bridge and aqueduct.

The map above shows the full Salford Trail route in relation to Salford's boundary. The route highlighted and marked as number one refers to the route from Salford Quays to Peel Park.

The Trail has been divided into sections, each accessible by public transport. There is a leaflet for each section describing the route and giving the transport options. These leaflets are available from your local Gateway Centre or you can download them from the website **visitsalford.info/thesalfordtrail**

LOOK OUT FOR THE SALFORD TRAIL WAYMARKER.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

The new way to find direct bus services to where you want to go is Route Explorer.

Route Explorer

tfgm.com/route-explorer
Access it wherever you are.

Start of walk		
Bus Number	53, 79	24, 71, 73
Bus stop location	The Quays	Trafford Road
Tram/metro	Salford Quays	
During the walk		
Bus Number	10, 27, 67, 71, 73, 92, 93, 97, 98, 100, 101	
Bus stop location	Blackfriars Street	
Tram/metro	Victoria, Exchange Square	
End of walk		
Bus Number	8, 26, 34-37	
Bus stop location	Salford Crescent	
Tram/metro	Salford Quays	
Train	Salford Crescent	

MORE INFORMATION

For information on any changes in the route please go to **visitsalford.info/thesalfordtrail**

For background on the local history that you will come across on the trail or for information on wildlife please go to **thesalfordtrail.btck.co.uk**

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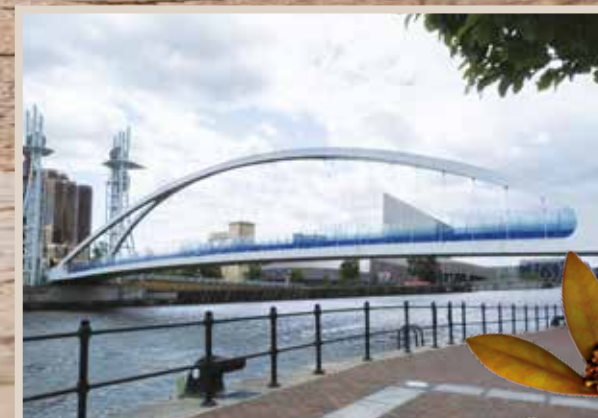**Salford City Council**

WALK 1

THE SALFORD TRAIL

5 miles/8 km, about 2.5 hours

SALFORD QUAYS TO PEEL PARK

This first leg of the Salford Trail is mainly an urban walk taking you from the most modern development around Salford Quays alongside the Manchester Ship Canal and the River Irwell. You pass some very important historical buildings and sites, finishing at Peel Park, one of the first Victorian parks.

At the moment (August 2020) it is not possible to walk1 some parts of this section of The Salford Trail. The "ever changing cityscape."

This first section of the Salford Trail passes through a rapidly changing urban landscape. The general direction of the walk is as described but diversions will be inevitable.We have described these around long term developments but do watch out for others.

Begin at the Salford Quays Metrolink stop. Walk to the edge of the St. Peter Basin and turn left, passing the Salford Trail plaque. Turn left along Merchants

Quay and carry on to Trafford Road. Turn right and walk to the pedestrian crossing traffic lights. Cross and turn left. At Ordsall Lane, turn right and follow the signs to Ordsall Hall. In about 100m you will see Ordsall Hall -a Grade 1 listed Manor House over 750 years old,which is well worth a visit. Cross here at the pedestrian lights, turn right and in 200m turn left into Modwen Road and walk down to reach the Manchester Ship Canal.

Turn left to walk along the tow path of the Manchester Ship Canal. The next bridge you come to is the Woden Street footbridge, known locally as Mark Addy's Bridge. This is where the canal meets the River Irwell. Just after this, looking across the water, you can see where the River Medlock enters the Irwell, by the far end of some railway arches.

Continue ahead till you reach 'Trinity Way Footpath Diversion'.

Diversion in place here because of ongoing building work

After walking up from the River you exit on to Trinity Way, turn right. Carry on along Trinity Way, turn right at Irwell Street and turn first left into Stanley Street to reach New Bailey. Turn left at New Bailey Street and cross the road and turn right into Browncross Street. Walk to the end of the street and turn left walking towards the Lowry Hotel, Trinity Bridge and the River Irwell. Turn left at a signpost to come out on Chapel Street opposite Caxton Hall which has a terracotta façade.
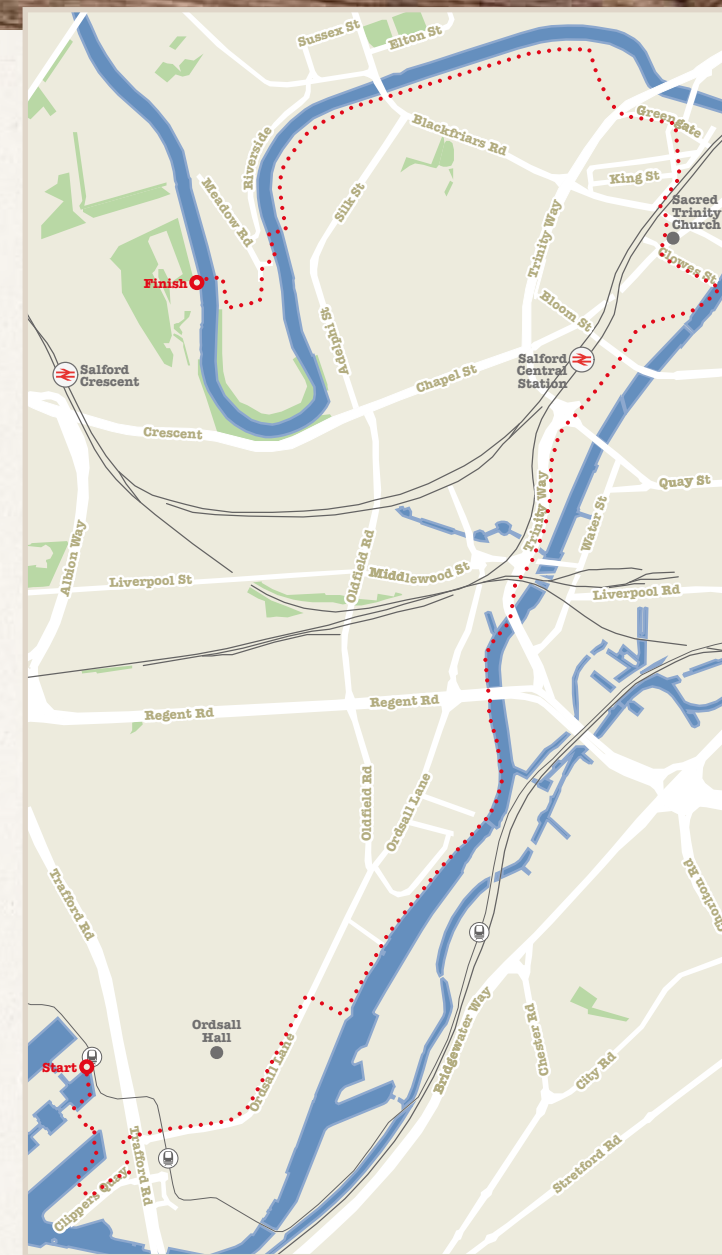
Turn left and walk along passing the Lowry Hotel and Trinity Bridge. Turn left at a signpost to come out on Chapel Street opposite Caxton Hall which has a terracotta façade. Cross the road carefully here and turn right along Gravel Lane with Sacred Trinity Church on your right. Cross the main road here, under the railway bridge and continue on Gravel Lane. Carry on passing the car parks to the junction with Greengate.

Diversion in place here:

Turn left at Greengate and turn next right and walk along down steps to reach a tunnel on your left. Go through the tunnel and emerge on to the path by the River Irwell. Continue along the river edge path towards Broughton Bridge. Go up the steps, cross the road and continue on the path ahead, on the same side of the river.

Turn left and continue along the river edge towards Broughton Bridge. Go up the steps, cross the road and continue on the path ahead, on the same side of the river.

Eventually you will arrive at Adelphi Footbridge, which you cross over and go immediately left on a path behind some houses. At the end of the path you will meet a fence. Turn right and then left on to Meadow Road. Head towards The Meadows, which is a beautiful area of open space almost entirely enclosed by the river Irwell. You can either follow the river walk around the Meadows or turn right and right again heading towards a white bridge to cross the River. Turn left over the Bridge to reach Peel Park.

Turn left and walk up to the main road, where you will see the University of Salford and Salford Museum and Art Gallery.
If you want to continue on The Salford Trail turn right after the bridge and follow the path keeping the river on your right. See Leaflet 2.