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Trafford History Trail: Old Trafford

We need you to be a history detective!

1. Start at St. John's Church on Ayres Road. With the church on your right, walk down Ayres Road, and turn left onto Stamford Street. Stop when you get to the mosque.

The Masjid-e-Noor mosque has been here since the 1970s. Before that, there was a Co-operative shop here. What colour are the window frames of the mosque?

Answer:

2. Turn right down St. Bride Street. Stop when you reach the Limelight building.

You will see a blue plaque for famous artist L.S. Lowry, who is best known for his paintings of factories and factory workers. What street was he born on?

Answer:

3. With Limelight on your right, walk down Shrewsbury Street. At the end of the road turn left down Henrietta Street and enter Hullard Park at the entrance opposite Beever Street.

The name 'Hullard' is thought to come from the word 'Hullart', which means owlet, or baby owl. Follow the path towards a circle of benches. What type of vehicle is in the grass circle?

Answer:

4. Exit the park on the opposite side, onto Northumberland Road. Turn left, and then right onto St. Hilda's Road. Turn left into Seymour Park, next to the sports barn.

Right next to the sports barn, you will see a sculpture of a fist, marking an anniversary of the abolition of slavery. What year was the Abolition of Slavery Act passed?

Answer:

5. With the sports barn on your right, walk through the park, exiting onto Ayres Road. Turn left and stop when you see the Manchester Superstore on your right.

Above the shop you will see the letters 'M' and 'S' because this building used to be a branch of a co-operative society that had the words 'Manchester' and 'Salford' in its name. Which animal's head can you see next to the letters?

Answer:

6. Carry on until you reach St. John's church.

On the side of the church is a poem by famous poet Lemn Sissay, and mini poems by pupils at Stretford High School. Which pupil wrote the poem about Chatham Road?

Answer:

Congratulations!

You have now completed the history trail!

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