

National Festival of Making 2025

Venue Accessibility Information Guide

The National Festival of Making takes place in a multi-venue, town centre environment.

Some areas of the festival use both indoor and outdoor spaces.

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King William Street area overview

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///cliff.audio.woke

Area Description

The King William Street area has multiple indoor and outdoor venues.

Here you will find:

- Info Point
- Food Traders
- Outdoor activities
- A performance area
- Activities which take place inside marquees

Physical Factors

Outdoor ground conditions: The ground in this area is a mix of paving stones and brick cobble. There are areas which are sectioned off with benches. There is an area which is sectioned off with planters. The King William Street outdoor area is wheelchair accessible. There are some parts of the sectioned off areas which are also accessible via a short set of steps.

Environmental Factors

Seating: This area has public benches

Sound: Multiple activities will be taking place in this area such as workshops in marquees, food market in a marquee, street food stalls and an outdoor performance area - expect varying noise levels throughout the day

Crowds: Multiple activities will be taking place in this area. When performances are taking place expect crowds during these periods

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The Make Space

Location: 59 King William Street

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: cities.bars.necks

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Level access with manual double doors. Doorway is wheelchair accessible
- Building Type: Single storey on ground floor
- Toilets: No toilet facilities on-site
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating provided other than for participants of a workshop
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

MeeMaws (Downstairs at the Cotton Exchange)

Location: 71-73 King William St, Blackburn BB1 7DT

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///bind.rents.marker

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Entry is via some short steps down to entrance
- Doors: Manual doors
- Building Type: Single storey
- Toilets: No toilet facilities on-site
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating provided other than for participants of a workshop
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Community Clothing Shop

Location: 66 King William St, Blackburn BB1 7DT

Google Maps: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/GPEbGzxJiPogHGpg9>

What3Words: ///wash.spill.driver

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor
- Entrance: Entry is accessed via a 4cm lip and manual door.
- Building Type: Single storey
- Toilets: No toilet facilities on-site
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating will be available in this venue
- Capacity: This space will have limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if this space is at full capacity

Corner Unit - The Mall (King William Street)

Location: 66 King William St, Blackburn BB1 7DT

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///turns.sprint.clap

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Level access via an entrance to The Mall which has automatic doors.
- Area Type: Single storey
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall shopping centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating will be available in this venue
- Capacity: This space will have limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if this space is at full capacity

King William Street Street Food / Food Traders

Location: King William Street

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///guitar.input.puppy

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor area
- Ground Condition: This ground in this area is made of paving stones
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: There will be seating available next to the food vendors
- Sound: This area is close to the King William Street performance area. During performance times expect increased noise levels
- Capacity: There may be a short wait / queue if the street food stalls are busy

STEAM Marquee

Location: King William Street

Google Maps: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/p5AhXUqS1HB5JeF17>

What3Words: ///economies.oddly.often

Physical Access:

- Location: outdoor marquee
- Entrance: Entrance to the marquee has level access. The entrance of the marquee is wheelchair accessible.
- Inside the space: There are multiple activities taking place at one time inside this space. During busy periods it may become crowded and there may be less space to move around.
- Ground Conditions: This ground in this area is made of paving stones
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating provided other than for participants of a workshop
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Temperature: There is no temperature control in the marquee. Indoor temperature will vary with outdoor conditions.
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Taste Lancashire Marquee

Location: King William Street

Google Maps: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/pE99ogYQkE2RAsCY9>

What3Words: ///vast.washed.plot

Physical Access:

- Location: outdoor marquee
- Entrance: Entrance to the marquee has level access. The entrance of the marquee is wheelchair accessible
- Inside the space: There are multiple activities taking place at one time inside this space. During busy periods it may become crowded and there may be less space to move around
- Ground Conditions: This ground in this area is made of paving stones
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating is available in this marquee
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Temperature: There is no temperature control in the marquee. Indoor temperature will vary with outdoor conditions.
- Capacity: There may be a short wait / queue if a stall is busy

King William Street Performance Area

Location:

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///plank.good.bags

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor venue
- Ground Conditions: This ground in this area is made of paving stones
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: The King William Street area has public benches
- Sound: During performance times expect increased noise levels
- Capacity: During performance times this area may be busy, expect crowds

Caravanalogue - King William Street

Location: King William Street

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///ducks.faces.pans

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor venue in a caravan
- Entrance: The caravan is accessed via a step into the caravan
- Ground Conditions: This ground in this area is made of paving stones
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating provided other than for participants of a workshop
- Capacity: This space has limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Blackburn Museum & Art Gallery

Location: Blackburn Museum & Art Gallery, Museum Street, Blackburn BB1 7AJ

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///camps.wink.strict

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Entrance has ramp and step access with manual doors. Doorway is wheelchair accessible
- Building Type: Multi-storey with lift access across all floors. All staircases has handrails
- Toilets: This venue has gendered standard toilets and an accessible toilet. All toilet facilities are on the ground floor

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: There will be seating available in various spaces across this venue.
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day. A film will be shown in the Watercolour gallery with amplified sound. Films will be shown in the Contemporary gallery, these films will not have amplified sound
- Capacity: Each workshop activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Creative Skills Hub Marquee

Location: Museum Street

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///waters.quiet.stand

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor venue
- Entrance: Entrance to the marquee has level access. The entrance of the marquee is wheelchair accessible
- Inside the space: There are multiple activities taking place at one time inside this space. During busy periods it may become crowded and there may be less space to move around
- Ground Conditions: This ground in this area is made of paving stones
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating provided other than for participants of a workshop
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Temperature: There is no temperature control in the marquee. Indoor temperature will vary with outdoor conditions.
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

The Making Rooms

Location: 1 Exchange St, Blackburn BB1 7JN

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///dawn.form.limbs

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Front entrance: Accessed via steps - alternative entrance available
- Alternative entrance: Use the side entrance on Museum Street. This entrance is accessed via a ramp. The doorway is wheelchair accessible
- Building Type: Single storey
- Toilets: There are standard gendered toilets and an accessible toilet available at this venue

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Seating is available in this venue
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

The Bureau

Location: 5 Exchange St, Blackburn BB1 7JN

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///noon.called.apples

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Entrance to this venue is via the alley at the back of the building off Museum Street. There is a decline to the entrance from the street. Entrance has level access and is wheelchair accessible. The door is manual
- Building Type: Multi-storey, all floors are accessible via stairs or a lift to all floors. All staircases have handrails
- Toilets: standard toilets and accessible toilets are available at this venue

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Seating will be available in this venue
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Tony's Ballroom

Location: Town Hall Street

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///hooks.hurray.twigs

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Single step access. Doors to this venue will be open
- Building Type: Venue is on the first floor which is only accessible via a staircase. There is no lift access to this venue. The staircase has a handrail
- Toilets: No toilet facilities on-site
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Seating will be available in this venue
- Sound: This venue will have drumming and dance workshops throughout the day. There will be amplified sound during the dance workshops
- Capacity: Maximum total capacity in this venue is 50 people. Each activity in this space will have limited capacity, you will be able to sign up to these activities on the day and some require booking in advance

Thingamabobas - Town Hall Street

Location: 9 Town Hall St, Ewood Park, Blackburn BB2 1AG

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///notion.baked.cubs

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Level access with double doors
- Doors: Manual doors (not automatic)
- Accessibility: Doorway is wheelchair accessible
- Building Type: Single storey
- Toilets: No toilet facilities on-site
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: There is no seating provided for audiences, however there will be a couple of chairs 'behind the scenes' so please ask a member of the team if you would like one
- Sound: Sound in the space comes from an overall soundscape and some of the structures which are triggered by interaction to make noise
- Lighting: The venue will be dark with very limited light and no overhead electric light. The light comes from the structures themselves. Coloured lights and moving lights are used as part of the installation
- Capacity: This space has limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity. If you have purchased a 'Know Before You Go' ticket for Thingamabobas you will not need to queue

The Batcave

Location: 5c Town Hall St, Blackburn BB2 1AG

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///area.drain.clues

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Single step access. The door is manual
- Building Type: Single storey
- Toilets: No toilet facilities on-site
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating provided other than for participants of a workshop
- Sound: A workshop will take place in this venue. Noise levels will vary depending on the business of this space
- Capacity: The workshop activity in this space will have limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Blackburn Library venue overview

Location: Blackburn Central Library, Blackburn BB2 1AG

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///bonus.retail.spider

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Level access with large automatic doorway and sloped entrance
- Building Type: Multi-storey with lift access across all floors
- Toilets: Standard, Accessible toilets and baby-changing facilities available on the ground floor

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Seating available in all areas of this venue
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Quiet Space - Blackburn Library

Location: First Floor - Blackburn Central Library

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///bonus.retail.spider

Physical Access:

- Location: First floor
- Entrance: Access to the Quiet space via either a staircase or lift access. All staircases have handrails. The space has level access into the room. The door into the quiet space is manual and the doorway is wheelchair accessible
- Assistance: There will be a National Festival of Making staff member available to assist you if you have any questions or if we can help with anything. Library staff will also be available for assistance
- Nearest Toilets: Ground floor - Blackburn Library

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Seating is available in the quiet space
- Sound: Sounds levels will be quiet in this space
- Capacity: We do not expect this area to be crowded. There will be an assistant at the entrance so you can ask any questions you have before

Hornby Lecture Theatre - Blackburn Library

Location: First Floor - Blackburn Central Library

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///bonus.retail.spider

Physical Access:

- Location: First floor
- Entrance: Access to the Hornby Theatre via either a staircase or lift access. All staircases have handrails. The space has level access into the room. The door into the Hornby Theatre is manual and the doorway is wheelchair accessible
- Assistance: There will be a National Festival of Making staff member available to assist you if you have any questions or if we can help with anything. Library staff will also be available for assistance
- Nearest Toilets: Ground floor - Blackburn Library

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Theatre 'bank' style seating is available in this space which is on a tiered step layout. There are spaces at the back of the theatre for wheelchairs
- Sound: A film will be shown in this space on Saturday 5th July. This film will have amplified sound. On Sunday 6th July, a performance will take place in this space. This performance will not have amplified sound
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

The Mall venue overview

The Mall has multiple entrances. The main entrances for the festival are noted below

King William Street entrance

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///corn.taken.logo

This entrance has level access with manual and automatic doors available. This entrance is wheelchair accessible.

Church Street - market entrance

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///formed.tennis.potato

This entrance has level access with an automatic door available. The manual doorway is via a revolving door. This entrance is wheelchair accessible.

Church Street - top entrance

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///navy.slip.rods

This entrance has level access via a ramp with an automatic door. This entrance is wheelchair accessible.

The Mall Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Building Type: Multi-storey with lift access across all floors
- Toilets: Standard gendered toilet facilities with multiple cubicles are available on the first floor. These are accessible either via a spiral staircase with handrail or via lift access. Accessible toilet facilities are available on the ground floor and Blackburn Market has a Changing Places facilities. These bathroom facilities have more space and equipment including a height adjustable changing bench and hoist

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Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Bench seating is available across The Mall. Blackburn Market also has lots of seating in the food vendor area
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each festival activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Blackburn Mall Information Desk

The information desk is located in Victoria Court. If you have any questions around The Mall and Accessibility during the festival head here to speak to someone.

Just Can't Wait Card For those with a Just Can't Wait Card for those with Crohn's and Colitis the Ask Me Point desk can advise where this can be used across the centre

Hearing loops are fitted at the info desk

Other useful information & links:

Free WiFi is available for visitors at The Mall Blackburn

The Mall Floor Plan: <https://themallblackburn.co.uk/shop/floor-plan/>

The Mall Facilities and Accessibility webpage:

<https://themallblackburn.co.uk/visiting/facilities-and-accessibility/>

Shop Three - The Mall (Girls with Drills)

Location: The Mall, Blackburn

The Mall King William Street entrance is the closest to this venue. This venue is accessible from any entrance at The Mall.

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///corn.taken.logo

This entrance has level access with manual and automatic doors available. This entrance is wheelchair accessible.

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: This venue has level access with an open doorway. This entrance is wheelchair accessible. This venue is on one level.
- Toilets: Multiple toilet facilities available inside The Mall Blackburn. See 'The Mall' accessibility information on page 24.

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating provided other than for participants of a workshop
- Sound: Girls with Drills will be running two activities in this venue where you can learn DIY skills. Expect noises from tools being used in this venue such as drilling and hammering. Ear Defenders will be available in this venue to use for these workshops
- Capacity: In the morning, Girls with Drills will run a bookable stool making workshop. You will only be able to access this workshop if you have booked a place in advance. From 13:30pm on Saturday and Sunday Girls with Drills will run a drop-in Stud Wall - DIY Skills workshop. This activity has limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Victoria Court - The Mall

Location: The Mall, Blackburn

The Mall King William Street entrance is the closest to this venue. This venue is accessible from any entrance at The Mall.

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///corn.taken.logo

This entrance has level access with manual and automatic doors available. This entrance is wheelchair accessible.

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue which is an open area inside The Mall.
- Toilets: Multiple toilet facilities available inside The Mall Blackburn. See 'The Mall' accessibility information on page 24.

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Bench seating is available across The Mall and there are benches available in this area
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each activity in this area will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Ribblesdale Tap

Location: 35 Northgate, Blackburn BB2 1JU

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///calms.noting.tides

Alcohol will be served at this venue

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: This venue is accessed via a single step.
- Building Type: Multi-storey venue. Access to the first floor via a staircase with a handrail. There is no lift access available in this venue.
- Toilets: This venue has standard gendered toilets available on the first floor. There is an accessible toilet on the ground floor
- Nearest alternative toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Seating is available for workshop participants and for general visitors.
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Blakey Moor

Location: 11-13 Blakey Moor, Blackburn BB2 1LL

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///wants.mostly.mint

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: This venue has step free access.
- Building Type: Multistorey venue. Access to the first floor is only accessible via a staircase, there is no lift access in this venue.
- Toilets: No toilet facilities on-site
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Bench seating will be available on the ground floor and the first floor
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day. Films will be shown in this venue. Sound for these films will be played through headphones
- Capacity: This venue may have limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if this venue is at full capacity during busy periods

Prism Contemporary

Location: 20 Lord St W, Blackburn BB2 1JX

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///salsa.begun.intelligible

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: This venue is accessed via a single step
- Building Type: Single storey
- Toilets: There is a single non-gendered bathroom in this space
- Nearest alternative toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre

Environmental Factors:

- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Blackburn Cathedral venue overview

Blackburn Cathedral has multiple entrances with areas which will be over two floors.

This overview will provide information for the main entrance at the front of the cathedral:

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///basic.tips.wallet

See a floor plan of Blackburn Cathedral on their website here:

<https://blackburncathedral.com/learn/cathedral-trail/>

Ground floor:

- Nave
- North Transcept
- The Temple Gallery

Lower-ground floor:

- Crypt
- Builder's Yard

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Front Entrance: Level access with automatic doors. This entrance is wheelchair accessible.
- Building Type: Multi-storey venue, all levels are accessible via staircases with handrails or via a lift.
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Seating will be available throughout the Cathedral. If you require assistance to find some seating please speak to someone from the festival team who will be wearing a purple high vis. Alternatively you can speak to a Cathedral staff member.
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day including a makers market, exhibitions and workshops

- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Nave - Blackburn Cathedral

The Nave is on the ground floor of Blackburn Cathedral

Here is the information for the main entrance to the cathedral:

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///basic.tips.wallet

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Front Entrance: Level access with automatic doors. This entrance is wheelchair accessible.
- Building Type: Multi-storey venue, all levels are accessible via staircases with handrails or via a lift.
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Seating will be available throughout the Cathedral. If you require assistance to find some seating please speak to someone from the festival team who will be wearing a purple high vis. Alternatively you can speak to a Cathedral staff member
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day including a makers market, exhibitions and workshops
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

North Transept - Blackburn Cathedral

The North Transept is on the ground floor of Blackburn Cathedral.

Here is the information for the main entrance to the cathedral:

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///basic.tips.wallet

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Front Entrance: Level access with automatic doors. This entrance is wheelchair accessible
- The North Transept is accessible through the Cathedral Nave.
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No specific seating will be provided in this area. Seating will be available in other areas of the cathedral. If you require assistance to find some seating please speak to someone from the festival team who will be wearing a purple high vis. Alternatively you can speak to a Cathedral staff member
- Sound: An exhibition will be installed in this space. The exhibition will have a film which will play lightly amplified sound. This area is open and adjoins other open areas so expect varying noise levels

Temple Gallery - Blackburn Cathedral

The Temple Gallery is on the ground floor of Blackburn Cathedral.

Here is the information for the main entrance to the cathedral:

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///basic.tips.wallet

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Front Entrance: Level access with automatic doors. This entrance is wheelchair accessible
- The Temple Gallery is accessible through the Cathedral Nave through a manual door or head upstairs from the cathedral square entrance via a staircase with handrails or via a lift.
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No specific seating will be provided in this area. Seating will be available in other areas of the cathedral. If you require assistance to find some seating please speak to someone from the festival team who will be wearing a purple high vis. Alternatively you can speak to a Cathedral staff member
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within this space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Crypt - Blackburn Cathedral

The Crypt is on the lower-ground floor of Blackburn Cathedral.

Here is the information for the nearest entrance to the cathedral through the Builder's Yard:

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///locked.ideas.roof

Physical Access:

- Indoor venue
- The most direct access to the Crypt is through the Builder's Yard entrance which is accessed via a ramp. Go through the glass doorway into the Crypt. Once in the Builder's Yard, there is level access on this floor and doorways are wheelchair accessible.
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No specific seating will be provided in this area. Seating will be available in other areas of the cathedral. If you require assistance to find some seating please speak to someone from the festival team who will be wearing a purple high vis. Alternatively you can speak to a Cathedral staff member
- Sound: In this space you will find the Light Organ. The Light Organ is a light installation which responds to sound. Visitors can make sounds into a microphone. Expect varying noise levels
- Capacity: This space may have limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if this space is at full capacity

Builder's Yard - Blackburn Cathedral

The Builder's Yard is on the lower-ground floor of Blackburn Cathedral.

Here is the information for the nearest entrance to the cathedral through the Builder's Yard:

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///locked.ideas.roof

Physical Access:

- Location: Indoor venue
- Entrance: Entrance has level access with a ramp into the space. Doorway is manual and is wheelchair accessible
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No specific seating will be provided in this area. Seating will be available in other areas of the cathedral. If you require assistance to find some seating please speak to someone from the festival team who will be wearing a purple high vis. Alternatively you can speak to a Cathedral staff member
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Capacity: This space may have limited capacity. There may be a short wait / queue if this space is at full capacity

Cathedral Square area overview

Google Maps: [Visit Location](#)

What3Words: ///solar.eaten.patio

The Cathedral Square area has multiple indoor and outdoor venues.

Here you will find:

- Info Point
- Food Traders
- Outdoor activities
- A performance area
- A live music stage
- Activities which take place inside marquees, a bell tent and under a stretch canvas

Physical Factors

Outdoor ground conditions: The ground in this area is made up of areas of paving stones and also some grassed areas. The marquee in this area is situated on paved ground. The bell tent is situated on a grassed area. The stretched canvas is situated on a grassed area. The Cathedral Gardens area is wheelchair accessible. Temporary toilets will be available on Cathedral Square. One of these temporary toilets will be accessible.

Environmental Factors

Seating: This area has public benches. There will also be a seated area available close to the food vendors and live music stage

Sound: Multiple activities will be taking place in this area such as workshops in marquees, street food stalls, an outdoor performance area and a live music stage - expect varying noise levels throughout the day

Crowds: Multiple activities will be taking place in this area. When performances are taking place expect crowds during these periods

Cathedral Square Street Food / Food Traders

Location: Cathedral Square

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///solar.eaten.patio

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor area
- Ground Conditions: This ground in this area is made of paving stones
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: There will be seating available next to the food vendors.
- Sound: This area is close to the Cathedral Square live music stage and performance area. During performance times expect increased noise levels
- Capacity: There may be a short wait / queue if the street food stalls are busy

Performance Area

Location: Cathedral Square

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///dots.flock.unwanted

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor venue
- Ground Conditions: This ground in this area is made of paving stones. There are grassed areas close by where the crowd may extend to during performances if the area becomes busy.
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: There will be no seating provided in the performance area. There are public benches, and additional seating in the cathedral square area
- Sound: During performance times expect increased noise levels
- Capacity: During performance times this area may be busy, expect crowds

Cathedral Square Workshop Marquee

Location: Cathedral Square

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///living.award.runner

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor venue
- Entrance: Entrance to the marquee has level access. The entrance of the marquee is wheelchair accessible.
- Inside the space: There are multiple activities taking place at one time inside this space. During busy periods it may become crowded and there may be less space to move around
- Ground Conditions: This ground in this area is made of paving stones
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating provided other than for participants of a workshop
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day
- Temperature: There is no temperature control in the marquee. Indoor temperature will vary with outdoor conditions.
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Workshop Bell Tent - Kitchen Tables

Location: Cathedral Square

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///ledge.green.healers

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor venue
- Entrance: The bell tent entrance is at ground level with no step. There is a surface change from paved pathway to grass at the entrance. The entrance to the bell tent is wheelchair accessible.
- Ground Condition: The bell tent is located on a grass surface with no slopes. The ground may have small bumps and dips but is generally level. There is no flooring inside the tent. Ground conditions may vary depending on weather and could become muddy if we have heavy rain, especially at the entrance.
- Nearest Toilets: Please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: Seating will be available for Kitchen Tables Workshop participants, however there will be no additional seating. The nearest free seating will be located in the Cathedral Square outdoor area
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day. The bell tent is close to the Cathedral Square Performance Area and the live music stage. Noise levels will increase during performance times
- Temperature: There is no temperature control in the bell tent. Indoor temperature will vary with outdoor conditions
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Front of the Cathedral - Tinker Town

Location: Cathedral Gardens is at the front of the cathedral

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///tour.sheets.stored

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor venue
- Entrance: This area requires movement from a paved pathway to a grassed area and has a small 4cm lip meaning access is not level
- This activity will not be covered and will be open to the weather
- Building Type: Single storey
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall nearest entrance off Church Street. Alternatively, please see [Cathedral Gardens area overview](#) for more info on nearby toilets

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: No seating provided other than for participants of a workshop
- Sound: This activity is a family workshop. The workshop is a den building wood work activity. Expect the sound of tools such as hammers
- Ground Condition: This activity is located on a grass surface with no slopes. The ground may have small bumps and dips but is generally level. There is no flooring inside the tent. Ground conditions may vary depending on weather and could become muddy if we have heavy rain, especially at the entrance
- Capacity: Each activity in this space will have limited capacity and some require booking in advance. There may be a short wait / queue if an activity is at full capacity

Not Only A Street Market

This area has a street market where you will find market stalls and a live music stage

Location: Church Street

Google Maps: [View Location](#)

What3Words: ///stands.factor.costs

Physical Access:

- Location: Outdoor venue which has level access and is wheelchair accessible
- Building Type: Single storey
- Ground Conditions: This ground in this area is made of paving stones
- Nearest Toilets: The Mall Shopping Centre entrance from Church Street

Environmental Factors:

- Seating: This area has public benches. No additional seating will be available
- Sound: Multiple activities will happen within the space at one time with varying noise levels throughout the day. There is a live music stage in this area

Capacity: There may be a short wait / queue if a market stall is busy

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