

# Metrolink Improvement work

City centre track upgrades

April 2009

## From Monday 6 April the next phase of track upgrade work will begin.

As part of our Metrolink improvement programme, we are upgrading all tram tracks in Manchester city centre. The next stage of this work requires us to close sections of track and some stops in the city centre.

Services will run as follows:

- **Bury line**

Trams will run between **Bury** and **Victoria**.

Every 12 minutes. Double trams

- **Altrincham line**

Trams will run between **Altrincham** and **St Peter's Square**.

Every 12 minutes. Double trams.

- **Eccles line**

Trams will run between **Eccles** and **St Peter's Square**.

Every 12 minutes.

- **Bus links**

There will be two bus link services crossing the city centre for holders of valid Metrolink tickets:

**Victoria – Shudehill – Piccadilly – Piccadilly Station**

Every 10 minutes (Mon–Sat daytime 7am–7pm)

Every 20 minutes (evenings & Sundays)

**G-Mex – Piccadilly Station**

Every 20 minutes.

See inside for map of city centre tram stops, bus links and walking routes.



# Questions and answers

## **Why is all the city centre track being replaced?**

The Metrolink network opened more than 16 years ago and some of the track is showing its age. The city centre track is some of the busiest on the network, and with new Metrolink lines being developed, it needs replacing now to be ready for the future.

## **What are the benefits of this work?**

The improvement work will help make journeys smoother, quieter and more reliable. In addition, there will also be improvements made to the tram stops at St Peter's Square and Piccadilly Gardens.

## **How will the work affect tram services?**

Details are shown inside this leaflet. Trams will run as far as St Peter's Square on the Altrincham and Eccles lines, and as far as Victoria on the Bury line. There will be bus services linking Piccadilly, Victoria and G-Mex, available to holders of valid Metrolink tickets.

These stops, and suggested walking routes across the city, are shown on the map inside this leaflet. Walking routes will be clearly signposted in the city centre.

For tram information phone Metrolink Customer Services on **0161 205 2000**

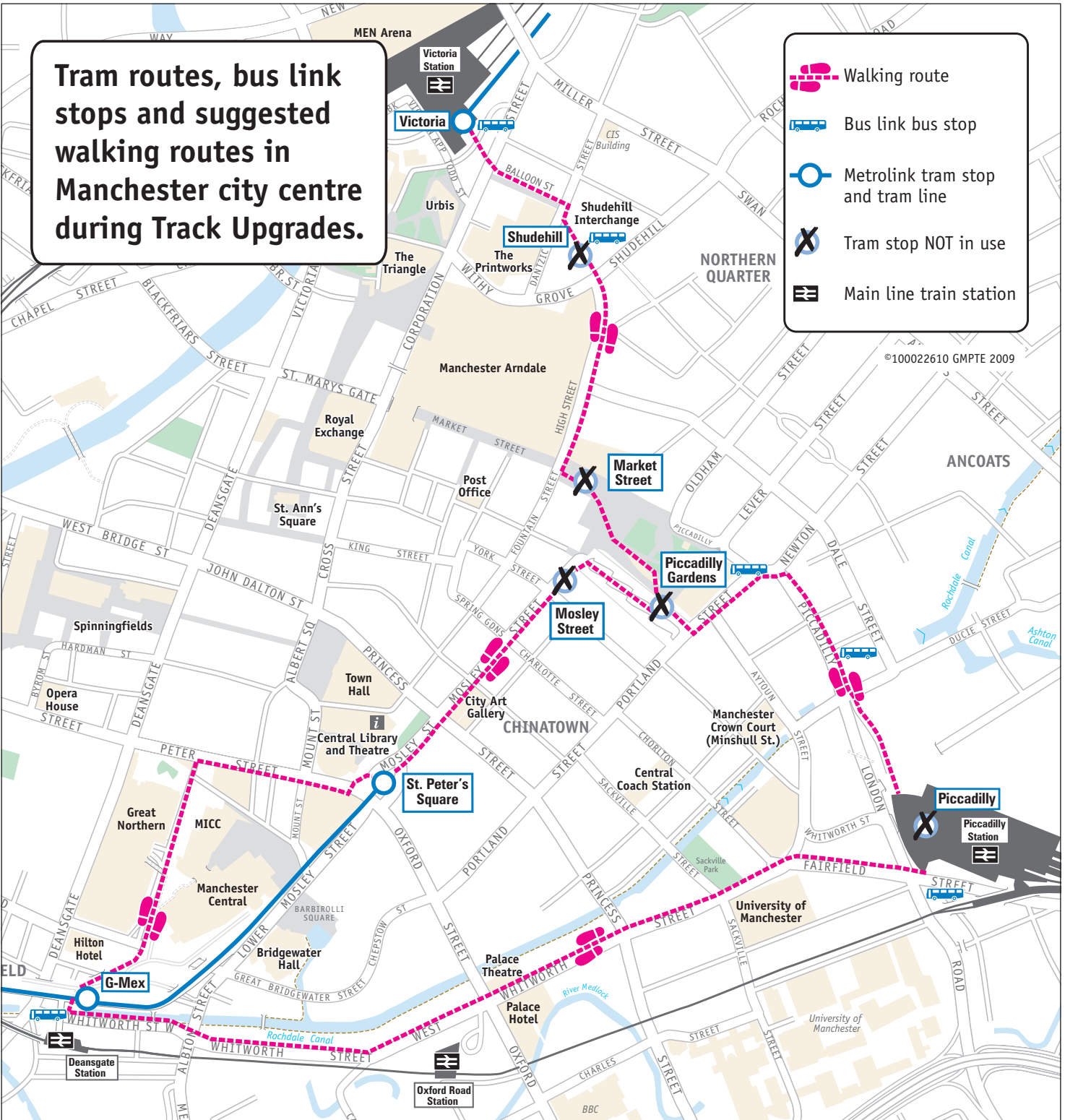
For all information on public transport phone Traveline on **0871 200 22 33**

(calls cost 10p a minute plus network extras)

or visit:

**[www.gmp-te.com](http://www.gmp-te.com)**

**[www.metrolink.co.uk](http://www.metrolink.co.uk)**



**Approximate journey times on foot:**

- Piccadilly Station – G-Mex: 20 mins
- Piccadilly Station – Piccadilly Gardens: 10 mins
- Piccadilly Gardens – Market Street: 5 mins
- Piccadilly Gardens – St Peter's Square: 10 mins
- St Peter's Square – G-Mex: 10 mins
- Market Street – Shudehill: 10 mins
- Shudehill – Victoria: 5 mins

Walking routes in the city centre will be clearly marked using special notices.

Please use pedestrian crossings wherever possible.



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