

THE MEETING PLACE



Trafford Ecology Park

2025 BROCHURE

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If you're looking for a venue that will inspire creative thinking whilst offering a great chance to get away from it all, look no further than The Meeting Place at Trafford Ecology Park.

Made from locally-sourced, sustainable timber, this light and airy building set in a designated Site of Biological Importance is the perfect venue for a motivational and uplifting day away from the office.

By hiring the space you'll also be supporting Groundwork, a not-for-profit organisation working to support Greater Manchester communities.



LAYOUT

The building layout is made up of soft seating at the front, a large open meeting space in the middle, kitchenette and work surface at the rear and through the doors at the far rear two toilets.

The main area can be arranged in a variety of layouts and comfortably sits between 10-20 people.



FEATURES

- Exclusive building with kitchenette & toilets
- Unlimited Fair Trade tea & coffee
- On-site parking
- Disabled access throughout
- 56" TV screen with HDMI & Bluetooth connection
- Flip chart
- Outdoor area with seating

Optional:

- Volunteering & outdoor team building activities
- Catering

LOCATION

Located in one of Greater Manchester's most surprising hidden green spaces, you'll never believe you're in the middle of Trafford Park and less than five minutes away from Salford Quays.

Free car parking & bike storage is available on site with Metrolink stops just 15 minutes walk from Trafford Ecology Park.



PRICING

Full day hire
£295 + VAT

Half day hire
£195 + VAT

A full day hire constitutes of 8 hours available between 8am and 5pm (4pm on Friday).

A half day hire is 4 hours.

Requirements outside, or beyond, these hours may incur an extra charge.

DISCOUNTS

A **10% discount** is available to the VCSE sector.

Bulk booking discounts are available, please enquire for more information.



NATURE CONNECTIONS

For organisations looking to truly enjoy the beauty of Trafford Ecology Park, we offer afternoon **Nature Connection** sessions with our Learning Officer Janine, as an add on to any Meeting Place booking.

Between 1pm and 4pm you'll spend time connecting with nature and with colleagues as Janine leads a series of activities which encompass the following:

- Nature foraging and crafts
- Nature mindfulness
- Team building activities

Runs all year round (bring your wet weather gear!) and subject to availability.

£300 (+VAT) for up to 16 people



“ It's satisfying seeing the difference we've made.
One day makes a big difference. ”

LOCATION

The Meeting Place is located at:

Groundwork Greater Manchester
Trafford Ecology Park
Lake Road
Manchester
M17 1TU



BY CAR

We have a small free car park on site which include two e-charging points, as well as free roadside parking on Lake Road.

For sat nav, use **Trafford Ecology Park**; we are located half way down Lake Road on the right hand side when turning off Trafford Park Road.



BY BUS

From Manchester City Centre take service number X50 or 250.

Alight at Village Way and walk 10 minutes down Trafford Park Road turning onto Lake Road to reach Trafford Ecology Park.



BY TRAM

Trafford Ecology Park is situated in between two Metrolink stations on the Trafford Park Line; Imperial War Museum North and Village, as well as the MediaCityUK stop via footbridges.

These stops are approximately 15 minutes walk from Trafford Ecology Park.



BY BIKE

There is a bike shelter at the entrance to the Ecology Park.

READY TO BOOK



If you'd like to book please contact us for availability and our booking form:

Email - greatermanchester@groundwork.org.uk

Call - 0161 220 1000

ABOUT GROUNDWORK

Income generated from The Meeting Place helps Groundwork to deliver a range of charitable work across Greater Manchester, including:

- Coaching & mentoring for young people
- Improving wellbeing
- Employment coaching & training
- Community training and support
- Support for people living in fuel poverty
- Creating & improving public green space
- Environmental social action
- Youth clubs



CATERING

Catering is available from two local companies; South Catering and Open Kitchen. Our preferred supplier is **Open Kitchen** due to our shared values and their commitment to producing food in the most sustainable and ethical way possible.

Both suppliers provide 3 very similar menus, at a slightly different price. You can choose from the options below.



Menu A

Selection of sandwiches, wraps and rolls
Hand-cooked crisps

£10 per head - Open Kitchen
£7.10 per head - South Catering



Menu B

Selection of sandwiches, wraps and rolls
Hand-cooked crisps
Fruit platter
Selection of cakes

£17 per head - Open Kitchen
£10.95 per head - South Catering



Menu C

Selection of sandwiches, wraps and rolls
Savoury Selection
Hand-cooked crisps
Fruit platter
Selection of cakes

£19 per head - Open Kitchen
£13.95 per head - South Catering