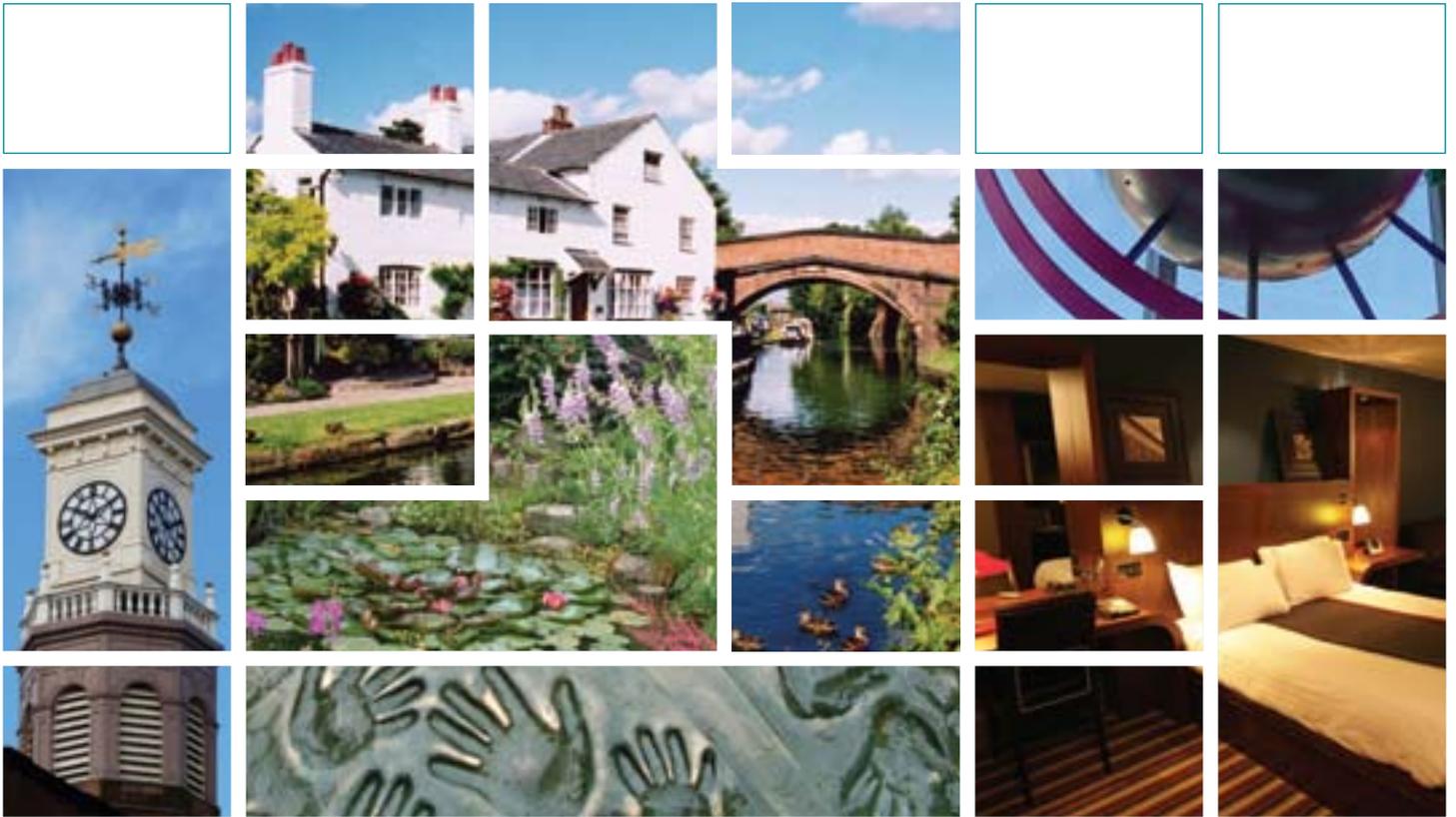
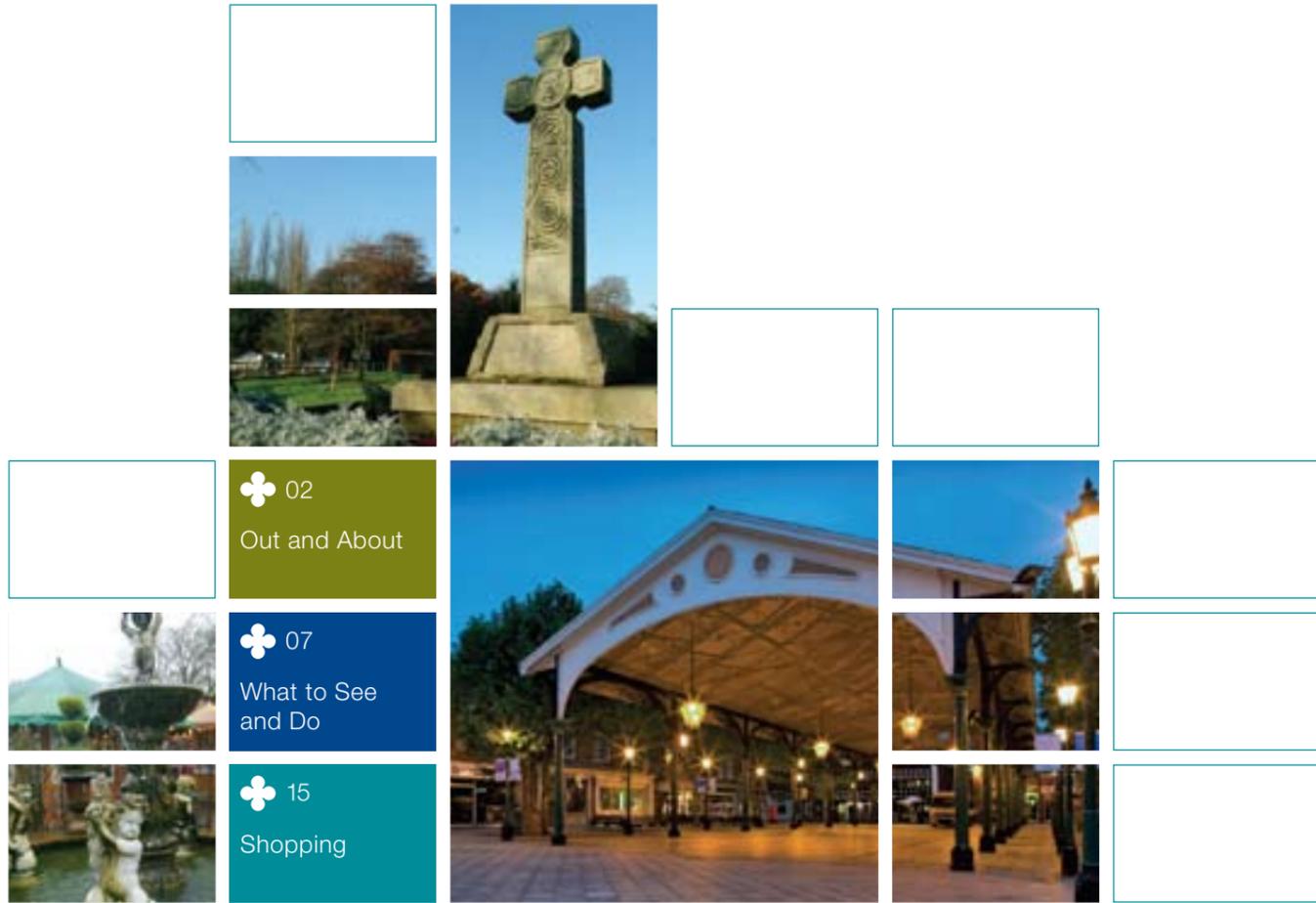


Welcome to Warrington





WARRINGTON TOWN HALL AND GOLDEN GATES



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Combining hi-tech development with the charm of olde worlde villages and beautiful countryside – Warrington is an area becoming ever more popular amongst visitors.

With an array of parks, woodlands and gardens, Warrington has plenty to offer those who enjoy the outdoors. Home to the Bridgewater Canal, Lymm Dam and part of the national coast to coast network of footpaths, bridleways and canal towpaths which make up the Trans Pennine Trail, there is something to suit all outdoor lovers from cyclists and walkers to horse riders.

As well as picturesque villages, canal walks and local pubs, there are also plenty of ways for the less energetic to soak up the borough's peaceful ambience. Boasting fine buildings and historical sites, visitors can get a real insight into Warrington's rich past. For example, visit Thelwall the smallest city in England!

Warrington lies centrally within the Manchester – Merseyside corridor providing an excellent location for both business and pleasure. Warrington is also an ideal base for visits to the tourist centres of Chester, North Wales, the Peak and Lake District. Warrington is convenient from almost anywhere in the UK with a superb transportation system whether you are travelling by air, road or rail it simply couldn't be any easier. The town has two mainline train stations and is within minutes of the motorway network, M62 to the north, M56 to the south and M6 to the east.

Once you have arrived in Warrington it is just as easy to get around, with an efficient and accessible public bus service, a number of taxi ranks in and around Warrington and frequent train services to Padgate, Birchwood and other villages; whatever form of transport you use you will not be disappointed. With so much to see and do, whether it's fun for the family or a night out with your friends we have it all, the only problem is deciding how long to stay!

Whether you're here for an hour, a day, a week or longer Warrington has something for everyone. With superb shopping, first class leisure facilities and a unique and interesting heritage, you'll find a town envied across the North West.



✿ Out and About



Burtonwood & Westbrook

The borough's northern boundary surrounds the village of Burtonwood and nearby Westbrook. Burtonwood was home to the US Airforce stationed at RAF Burtonwood during World War II and served as the principal arrival station for US forces. Today the former airbase is to be redeveloped as the Omega Opportunity. www.omegaopportunity.com

Winwick

The charming village of Winwick which lies on the A49 – the main route out of Warrington towards Wigan and the north, captivates visitors by the ancient and beautiful St Oswald's Church. www.stoswaldwinwick.com

Croft, Culcheth & Glazebury

For those with an interest in the countryside there are many footpaths and bridleways around these villages including Culcheth Linear Park. There are other facilities near by at Birchwood Forest Park and Risley Moss Local Nature Reserve.

Birchwood

Much of Birchwood is built on the site of the former Royal Ordnance Factory (during World War II), with Birchwood Forest Park lying in the centre. Today Birchwood boasts a thriving business community, shopping centre and residential housing.

Woolston

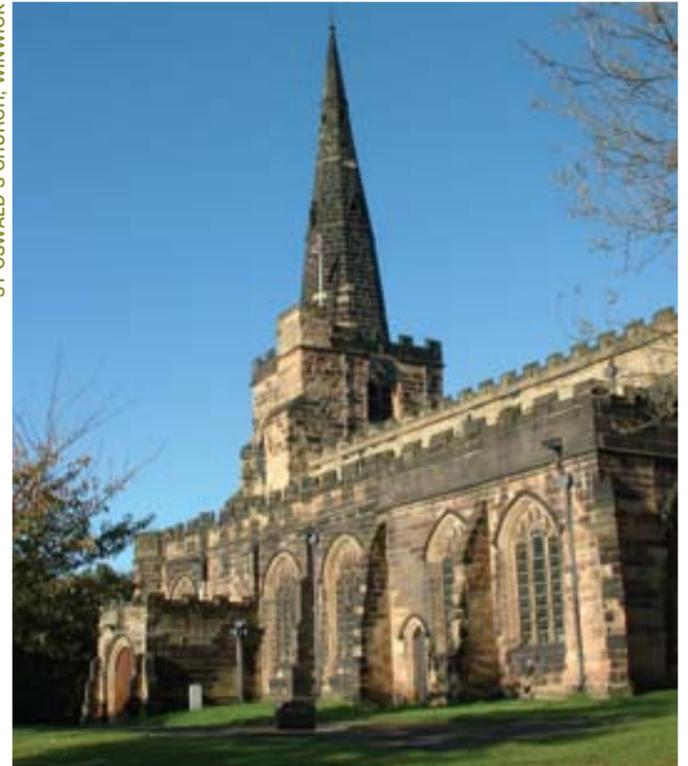
Situated to the east of Warrington in the Mersey Valley Woolston has two main natural areas, Woolston Linear Park and Woolston Eyes Reserve – a Site of Special Scientific Interest. The reserve is situated between the River Mersey and the Manchester Ship Canal near Latchford Locks and the Thelwall Viaduct which carries the M6 motorway over both the River and the Canal.

Orford

The "hamlet of Orford" was originally a small area north of the township of Warrington, centred on Orford Green. Its most distinctive building, Orford Hall, was demolished in the 1930s, after the grounds were given to the town for a park.

Orford Park has a history going back hundreds of years and now a unique project, focused on regenerating the park and surrounding area, will provide facilities and activities for the whole of the community. (see page 10)

ST OSWALD'S CHURCH, WINWICK



BIRCHWOOD FOREST PARK



CROWN GREEN BOWLING, ORFORD





VICTORIA PARK WEIR

Bewsey, Dallam & Whitecross

To the west of the town centre lies Bewsey, Dallam & Whitecross, bound to the south by Sankey Bridges and to the west by the Sankey Canal. The canal was originally known as the Sankey Brook Navigation and later as the St Helens Canal, the first canal of the Industrial Revolution.

Sankey Valley Park follows the course of the canal and is home to Bewsey Old Hall a former monastic grange and later owned by William de Boteler, Lord of the Manor of Warrington. To the west of the park at Old Hall is the home of Gulliver's World Theme Park and Burtonwood Heritage Museum (see page 7).

SANKEY BRIDGES



Great Sankey & Penketh

Great Sankey and Penketh are now one of the largest residential areas in the borough. Fiddlers Ferry Power Station is one of the major landmarks of Penketh. Situated in Cuerdley, just on the outskirts of Penketh, the power station supplies electricity to the North West of England.

FERRY TAVERN



Stockton Heath & Walton

The picturesque village of Stockton Heath lies to the south of Warrington and boasts a wide array of restaurants and bistros – the perfect location for an evening out. Small and friendly the village also offers traditional shopping together with designer boutiques for the more discerning shopper. The village is located by the Bridgewater Canal where visitors can enjoy a stroll to the Walton Hall Estate. Walton village grew from the purchasing of the estate by the Greenalls, a local brewing family, when the hall, church and school were built along with many other dwellings.

STOCKTON HEATH

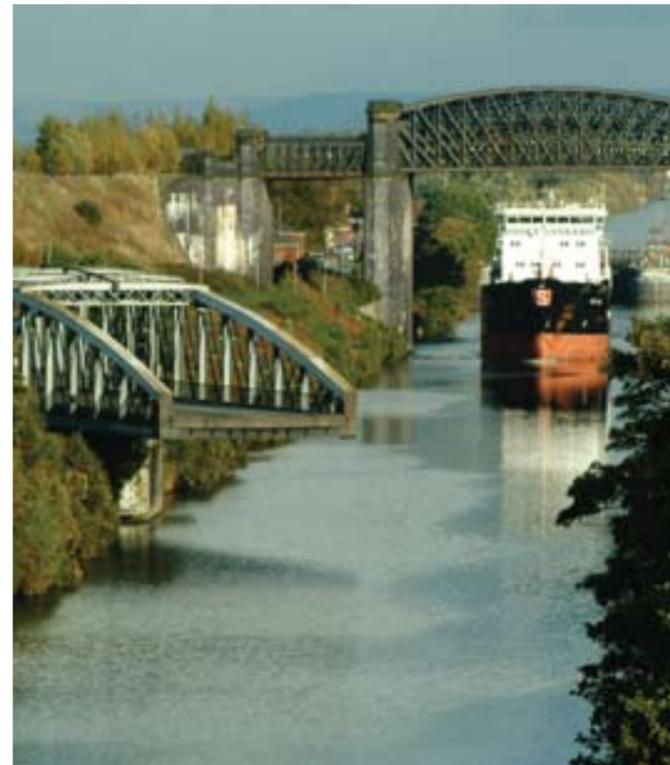


Latchford, Fairfield & Howley

Latchford is bounded to the south by the Manchester Ship Canal and Stockton Heath and to the north by the River Mersey and Howley. Alongside the Mersey is Victoria Park. Set in 67 acres the park is home to Warrington Athletic Club. The elegant Victorian Howley Suspension Bridge provides pedestrian access between Latchford and Howley.

Howley is one of Warrington's oldest districts and in Anglo Saxon times was the heart of Warrington. The name of Fairfield is taken from a house of the same name, known as Fairfield Hall built by John Blackburne the owner of Orford Hall.

Despite modern redevelopments, many landmarks and clues to Howley and Fairfield's past still remain, none more so than Warrington's Parish Church, St Elphins (see page 10).



LATCHFORD SWING BRIDGE

Thelwall & Grappenhall

Thelwall – the smallest city in England! Famous for lying in the shadow of the well known M6 viaduct over the River Mersey and Manchester Ship Canal, Thelwall is an ancient dwelling. Carved on the gable of the Pickering Arms in Thelwall is a short commemoration to the very small city: 'In the year 923 King Edward the Elder founded a city here and he called it Thelwall'.

Grappenhall provides a peaceful location for a spot of history; enjoy a nice pub lunch in one of the warm and friendly pubs on the village square. An ancient Norman Church, cobblestone streets and village stocks add to its unique attractiveness. The village has a very long history and is first recorded in the Domesday Book of 1086. If you look carefully you may even spot the original Cheshire Cat on the church tower!



GRAPPENHALL VILLAGE

Appleton, Stretton & Hatton

Within the parish of Appleton is the village of Appleton Thorn, the only village in England where the 'Bawming of the Thorn' ceremony takes place. The thorn tree, currently growing beside the church, is believed to be an offshoot of the Glastonbury thorn, which grew from the staff of Joseph of Arimathea. Bawming means decorating the tree with flowers and ribbons and this ceremony takes place every June when local children sing and dance. The small village of Hatton lies on the B5356 road between the villages of Stretton and Daresbury and is home to The Hatton Arms, a converted 17th century cottage.

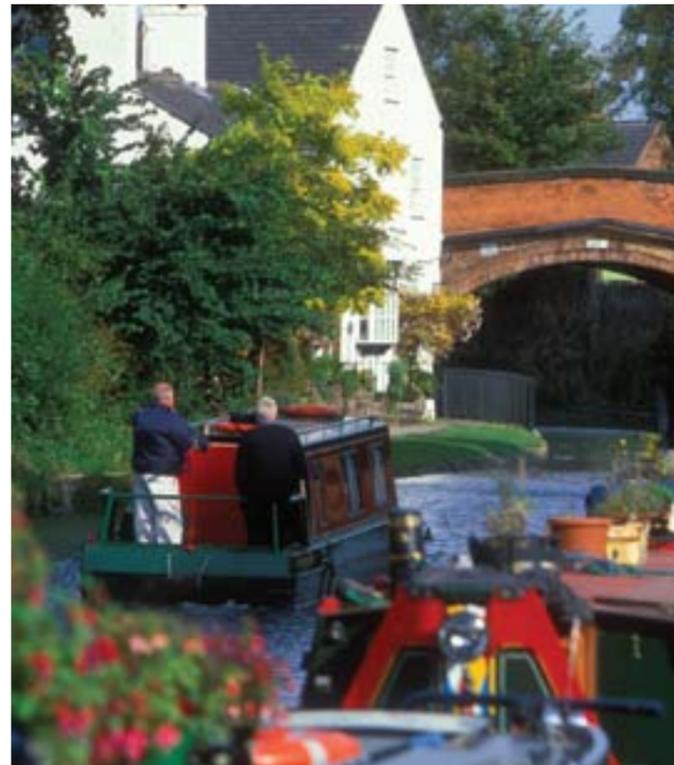
Lymm

Situated to the east of the borough, Lymm village combines ancient history with traditional shops. Lymm village centre is a designated conservation area, notable for its historic buildings, both listed and unlisted. Together with a thriving restaurant community including both international cuisine and traditional public houses you are spoilt for choice.

THORN INN, APPLETON THORN



HATTON



BRIDGEWATER CANAL, LYMM



LYMM CROSS & TOWN CRIERS



What to Do & See



IN ASSOCIATION WITH:



Gulliver's World

Off Shackleton Close Old Hall WA5 9YZ
T: 01925 444888 www.gulliversfun.co.uk



A theme park with rides for the young and old. Particularly suitable for families with children aged 2-13 years of age. Almost 70 rides and attractions in 8 different themed areas, let your imagination run wild and discover a world of fun at Gulliver's, Warrington.





What to Do & See



Family Fun



LA Bowl

Chetham Court Winwick Quay WA2 8RF T: Freephone 0808 108 5151 www.labowl.co.uk
A 28-lane tenpin bowling and family entertainment centre. Venue includes dodgems, diner, sports bar, large screen TV and amusement area.



LAN Command

Evans House Norman Street WA2 7HW T: 01925 415222 www.lancommand.co.uk
LAN Command is a premier multi computer LAN centre, boasting state of the art PC's capable of playing some of best games head to head.



Giggles Play Mill

Evans House Norman Street WA2 7HW T: 01925 445753
Giggles Play Mill is a purpose-built soft play and adventure centre for children aged under 9 years (height restriction 4' 9").



Fun2B

Portland Trade Park Buckley Street WA2 7NS T: 01925 659888 www.fun2b.co.uk
Fun2b is just what parents have been looking for – an exciting and adventurous activity centre for 0-11 years, combining fantastic play facilities with a healthy eating café.



Jungle Fun

The Bridge Shopping Centre Latchford WA4 1JR T: 01925 633999 www.junglefun.co.uk
Jungle themed indoor play centre, featuring a 3-tier soft-play structure with zoned areas for different age groups, suitable for 0-9 years.



The Jungle Gym

Chetham Court Winwick Quay WA2 8RF T: 01925 659995 www.thejungle.uk.net
Jungle-themed play centre featuring multi-level adventure play area, toddler area, party packages and the Jungle Express café and coffee bar for adults.



Apple Jacks Farm

Stretton Road Stretton WA4 4NW T: 01925 268495 www.applejacksfarm.co.uk
Visit Apple Jack's Farm, a farm theme park featuring The Amazing Maize Maze, a 5-acre cornfield adventure with its own radio show, crazy cast and gameboard, plus a variety of themed events and attractions throughout the year. Check the website for details.

Gardens



WEeping Ash Garden, GLAZEbury

Walton Hall & Gardens

Walton Lea Road Higher Walton WA4 6SN T: 01925 601617

www.warrington.gov.uk/waltongardens

Walton Hall & Gardens is the ideal place for a family day out with spacious lawns, picnic areas, play area, free children's zoo, heritage centre and outdoor games. The mature parkland and ornamental gardens remain beautiful throughout the year with trees and shrubs from all over the world.



Weeping Ash Garden

Warrington Road Glazebury WA3 5NT T: 01942 266300 www.bents.co.uk

Situated adjacent to Bents Garden & Home in Glazebury is a breathtaking garden which has been created by John Bent. Each section is hidden from the next and it has been designed to create tranquil scenes of clarity and perfection. The garden is open every day and a small charge is donated to local charities.

Bents Garden & Home

Warrington Road Glazebury WA3 5NT T: 01942 266300 www.bents.co.uk

Offering lifestyle statements for the garden and home with unique design solutions, exclusive furniture, landscaping excellence, stunning plants and beautiful interior collections that will transform any living space. Bents provides ideas and inspiration for everyone's needs. You can also stop for a bite to eat or drink at one of the cafes and restaurants within the garden centre.



Willow Pool Garden Centre & Baron Antiques

Burford Lane Lymm WA13 0SH T: 01925 757827 www.willowpool.co.uk

Located just outside Lymm village in one of the most idyllic rural parts of the borough. Willow Pool has the reputation of being a unique home and garden experience, with everything you could think of within a six-acre "Field of Dreams".

Grappenhall Heys Walled Garden

Witherwin Avenue, Grappenhall WA4 3DS T: 01925 213638 www.ghwalledgarden.org.uk

Built in the early 19th century for the neighbouring house of Grappenhall Heys, to produce food and flowers for the house and as a pleasure ground. Over recent years the garden has been extensively restored and now provides a tranquil oasis within the community, as well as a living example of a Victorian walled garden.

Heritage



MAD HATTERS TEA PARTY SCULPTURE

The Academy

Bridge Street

The Non-Conformist Dissenters of Warrington established the Academy in 1757. In front of the Academy stands a statue of Oliver Cromwell, who took up temporary residence in Church Street after routing a Scottish force at a battle near Winwick in 1648. The Academy is now home to the Warrington Guardian newspaper.

Old Market Place

The Old Barley Mow Inn, in the Old Market Place, is the oldest building in the centre of town, dating from 1561. The Old Market Place is also home to a granite sculpture of the Mad Hatter's Tea Party. Lewis Carroll, famous author of 'Alice in Wonderland', lived nearby in Daresbury.

River of Life

Located in Bridge Street the River of Life stands as a memorial to the victims of the 1993 terrorist bomb, which killed two young boys and injured dozens of citizens. Artist Stephen Broadbent worked with local school children to design 12 plaques, which line the street surrounding the River of Life.

Town Hall & Golden Gates

Sankey Street WA1 1UH

Built in 1750 the Town Hall was once the property of the Patten family. This fine example of georgian architecture is now owned by Warrington Borough Council. It sits proudly in the heart of the town centre as a symbol of the town's civic pride. The magnificent cast-iron Golden Gates were made at Coalbrookdale Iron Works, Shropshire. It is said they were designed for Queen Victoria, but the Queen rejected them as they were displayed next to a statue of Oliver Cromwell.



ST ELPHIN'S CHURCH

Warrington Parish Church

Church Street WA1 2TL
 One of Warrington's most famous landmarks is that of St. Elphin's, Warrington Parish Church, which has the third highest spire of a parish church in the country! There has been a church on the site of St. Elphin's since 650 AD, when it was a simple wooden construction. The building's most recent additions, including the spire, were made in mid 1800's.

Holy Trinity Church

Market Gate WA1 2QN
 Rebuilt circa 1760, to a design by James Gibbs, the architect of the Town Hall. The 18th century interior is largely unaltered apart from the addition of a brass chandelier, which used to hang in the old House of Commons. The clock belongs to the town and contains a bell dating from 1647 which used to hang in an old Court House in Golden Square. The tower and clock were restored to celebrate the Millennium.

Lymm Cross

Lymm Cross is a local landmark, which stands proudly on ancient steps carved out of red stone which are worn with age. Four stone pillars support the cross, which some believe dates back to the 14th century or possibly more recently to the 17th century. (see page 6)

St Oswald's Church

Golborne Road Winwick WA2 8SZ
 According to legend, builders planned to erect the church on the other side of the road but every night a pig moved the building materials to the present location. In the end, the builders gave up and placed the building where it still stands today, more than 600 years later. The pig – so the story goes – is commemorated by the carving of a pig on the west wall of the church tower. (see page 3)

Parks & Green Spaces

Birchwood Forest Park

Off Moss Gate, Birchwood T: 01925 824329 or 01925 442495
 Birchwood Forest Park is the name given to all the green areas throughout Birchwood. The town is made up of the three villages – Gorse Covert, Oakwood and Locking Stumps.

Trans Pennine Trail

Off Statham Avenue Lymm WA13 9NJ T: 01925 758195
 Take a trip along the Trans Pennine Trail in Warrington and you'll experience a cross section of the areas countryside and cultural heritage. www.transpenninetrail.org.uk

Lymm Dam

Off Statham Avenue Lymm WA13 9NJ T: 01925 758195
 Lymm Dam is an area of great beauty and tranquillity. Its woodlands and meadows are teeming with wildlife and the site's history gives it a unique character.

Orford Park

Alder Lane Orford Warrington WA2 8AG T: 01925 658098
 Orford Park is a traditional local park set in the heart of Warrington. Its 18 acres once formed part of the land and gardens of the no longer existent Orford Hall. The park is set to be the home of the Orford Park Project www.orfordproject.warrington.gov.uk

Risley Moss Nature Reserve

Ordnance Avenue Birchwood WA3 6QS T: 01925 824339
 A Site of Special Scientific Interest and designated Local Nature Reserve, it attracts as many as 60 species of breeding birds and 50 visiting species including barn owls, hobbies and hen harriers. The 220 acres, which make up Risley Moss are a last remnant of the boggy wetland that once dotted much of the MerseyValley and is now one of few remaining mosslands in Cheshire and the UK.



Warrington has over 800 hectares of publicly accessible parkland and open space, ranging from Victorian gardens to local nature reserves.

More information on can be found on www.warrington.gov.uk
T: 01925 442495
E: rangers@warrington.gov.uk



Rixton Claypits Nature Reserve

Manchester Road Rixton WA3 6EB T: 0161 777 9726
 Located on the eastern edge of the borough, the wildlife haven is a designated Site of Special Scientific Interest and home to one of the largest populations of Great Crested Newts in the region along with 20 species of butterfly and a huge population of dragonflies.

Sankey Valley Park

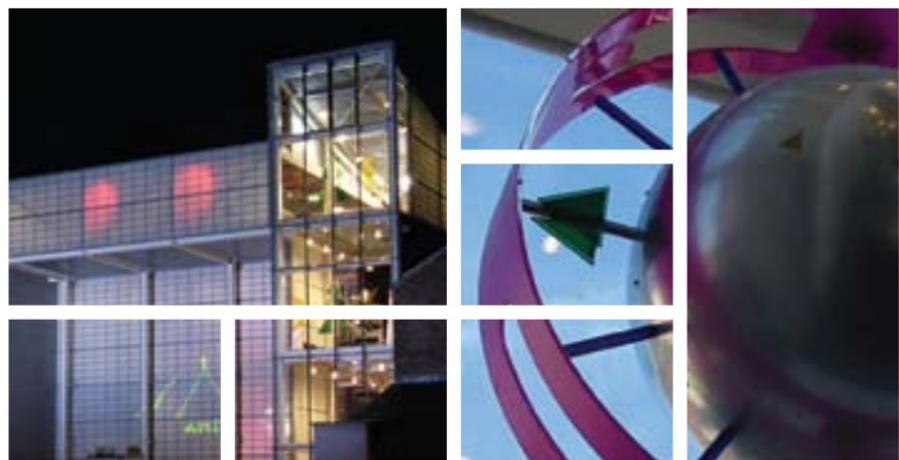
Bewsey Farm Close Old Hall WA5 5PB T: 01925 571836
 An extensive green corridor of woodlands, grasslands and water features. Whether you enjoy walking, angling, cycling and local history or just want to relax in beautiful surroundings the park has something to offer everyone. From Sankey Valley Park you can link into the wider countryside through the Trans Pennine Trail.

Victoria Park

Knutsford Road T: 01925 442731
 Easily accessible from Warrington town centre, Victoria Park makes a great place to get away from it all. The town's premiere site for sport with its 67 acres provide a wide range of facilities set in pleasant parkland. At the centre is an eight lane running track with a floodlit pitch.



Leisure, Culture and Sports



IN ASSOCIATION WITH:

Pyramid & ParrHall

Opened in 2002, Warrington's centre for the arts is a fantastic new building for the 21st century. Funded by the National Lottery, the award winning design sets old and new side by side, with exposed brickwork and leaded windows contrasting with the modern steel and glass foyer.





Leisure, Culture and Sports



Culture



QUEENS GARDENS, CULTURAL QUARTER

Pyramid

Cultural Quarter Palmyra Square WA1 1BL T: 01925 442345 www.pyramidparrhall.com
Opened in 2002, Warrington's centre for the arts is a fantastic new building for the 21st century. Funded by the National Lottery, the award winning design sets old and new side by side, with exposed brickwork and leaded windows contrasting with the modern steel and glass foyer. Pyramid is packed with the very best in dance, drama, theatre and music, including the Comedy Store on the first Saturday of every month. The centre also provides facilities for conferences, exhibitions, weddings and corporate events.

Parr Hall

Cultural Quarter Palmyra Square WA1 1BL T: 01925 442345 www.pyramidparrhall.com
Warrington's number one live entertainment venue, playing host to around 200 events throughout the year. Amongst the huge variety of shows staged there, stars such as Jools Holland, Ian Brown, Arctic Monkeys, Peter Kay, Travis and Jimmy Carr have all performed to packed audiences. The venue can also be hired for business use and private functions.

The Cultural Quarter

Warrington's Cultural Quarter is based around the refurbished Queens Gardens in Palmyra Square. The eastern half was originally Georgian private gardens which were purchased and opened to the public in 1898. During Edwardian times the gardens were extended to include part of the private garden to Springfield House, which stood on the site until it was demolished early in the 20th century. Palmyra Square is now viewed as the heart of Warrington's Cultural Quarter, offering the community a safe and picturesque meeting place, whilst playing host to various outdoor concerts and summer events.

Warrington Museum & Art Gallery

Bold Street WA1 1JG T: 01925 442733 www.warrington.gov.uk/museum
Warrington Museum and Art Gallery – founded in 1848 – combines a Victorian charm with one of the best 'state-of-the-art' temporary exhibition galleries in the North West. The Museum is fully accessible except for the Bird Gallery. Passenger lift available. Facilities for visually-impaired visitors include tactile signs and handling drawers.



Warrington Library

Museum Street Cultural Quarter WA1 1JB T: 01925 442890
Warrington Library was the first rate supported public library in the country, opening on 24 May 1848 as a Library and Museum. Following its success, it moved to larger premises in Museum Street in November 1857. In 1998, Warrington Library celebrated 150 years of service.

Sports & Leisure



WARRINGTON WOLVES, HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM



HEALTHWORKS AT THE VILLAGE HOTEL



SPEEDKARTING



WALTON HALL GOLF COURSE

Halliwell Jones Stadium

Winwick Road WA2 7NE T: 0871 622 1879 www.warringtonwolves.com
The home of Warrington Wolves Rugby League Football Club. Our state of the art stadium and facilities are amongst the best in the North West offering a fantastic matchday experience and also a unique venue for hosting events, conferencing and banqueting. With 14 rooms of varying sizes the stadium can cater for up to 500 people in one room.

Healthworks Health and Fitness Club at the Village Hotel

Centre Park Warrington WA1 1QA T: 01925 248 402
Healthworks has a team of experienced and highly qualified therapists committed to offering a full range of treatments for both men and women. The newly refurbished salon with 5 treatment rooms and a relaxation area is ideal for large and small group bookings and has an excellent choice of pamper packages. With products such as Espa, Jessica and St Tropez you are guaranteed the ultimate relaxing experience.

North West Face Indoor Climbing Centre

St Anns Church Winwick Road WA2 7NE T: 01925 650022 www.northwestface.com
Located within St Anns Church next to the Halliwell Jones Stadium, the North West Face prides itself as being one of the safest sporting complexes within the industry. Catering for the complete novice right up to the experienced climber and suitable for all ages.

Reflection's Health, Fitness & Spa at the Park Royal Hotel

Stretton Road Stretton WA4 4NS T: 01925 730073
Total Wellbeing has arrived at the Park Royal! Achieve your personal goals in either of the gyms. Alternatively lie back and relax in the steam room or sauna, drift away in the sensual embrace of an aromatherapy massage in one of seven luxury Spa treatment rooms.

Speedkarting Ltd

Bank Quay Trading Estate Slutchers Lane WA1 1PJ T: 01925 415114 www.speedkarting.co.uk
The first and only 3 level indoor karting circuit and still remaining the largest, longest-running, purpose-built, indoor karting circuit in the UK. Specialists in corporate entertainment. Available for private, exclusive or individual use.

Thorn Marine

164a London Road Stockton Heath WA4 6LE T: 01925 265129 www.thornmarine.co.uk
Thorn Marine provide day hire narrowboats for you to enjoy a great day out relaxing on the beautiful Bridgewater Canal.

Walton Hall Golf Course

Warrington Road Higher Walton WA4 5LU T: 01925 263061 www.waltonhallgolfclub.co.uk
Walton Hall Golf Course in Warrington is regarded as one of the finest municipal golf courses in the North West. Walton Hall Golf Club which has active mens, ladies and junior sections holds regular golf competitions throughout the year. The club operates independently of the course, the management and operation of which is under the control of the Director of Golf and Warrington Borough Council.

Warrington Rowing Club

T: 01925 242361 www.wrc.comrich.net
Warrington Rowing Club is committed to providing an environment for any level of rowing. This ranges from the members who want to keep fit and socialise to the aspiring international. If you want to come down to the club to get a taste of rowing, or are moving to the area with previous rowing experience, please contact us and we can arrange to get you on the water as soon as possible.

Warrington Town FC

Cantilever Park Common Lane Latchford WA4 2RS T: 01925 653044 www.warringtontownfc.co.uk
Warrington Town FC was established in 1949 under the name of Stockton Heath Albion. In 1961 they changed to their present name. Warrington Town play their home games at Cantilever Park.

Warrington Community Leisure Centres



Birchwood Leisure Centre

Benson Road Birchwood WA3 7PQ T: 01925 458130

Located at the heart of Birchwood, Birchwood Leisure & Tennis Complex offers the latest in fitness equipment in the 66 station gym. With fully qualified and dedicated staff experienced in personal training, diet, conditioning and rehabilitation. Check out the fitness class programme and for all levels of fitness ranging from chair based exercises to Tai Chi to high impact Body Pump. The Toning salon offers a great exercise programme and the indoor and outdoor tennis courts provide the opportunity to play recreational tennis or join an extensive lesson development programme.

Broomfields Leisure Centre

Broomfields Road Appleton WA4 3AE T: 01925 268768

Broomfields assists in fulfilling the requirements of Bridgewater High Schools physical education curriculum. For this reason part of our daytime programme is slightly restricted but for the evenings and weekends we operate a full, extensive and varied programme.

Fordton Leisure Centre

Chiltern Road Orford WA2 9SX T: 01925 572604

Based in the heart of the community but easily accessible from the major motorways, Fordton Leisure Centre hosts a varied programme, which will encourage all the family irrespective of age to participate in a healthier lifestyle.

Great Sankey Leisure Centre

Barrowhall Lane Great Sankey WA5 3AA T: 01925 724411

Great Sankey Leisure Centre is a facility that offers something for everyone. A comprehensive range of facilities combined with an innovative programme of activities means all the family can enjoy the Centre. The centre shares usage with Great Sankey High School but still has an activity programme during the day and unlimited gym access.

Woolston Leisure Centre

Hall Road Woolston WA1 4PN T: 01925 813939

Discover a wide range of activities for all the family, whatever their age. Choose between salsa or Pilates (or both!), the fitness suite, squash, swimming or just relaxing in the steam & sauna. For something completely different try Flexi Bar.

www.selectleisure.co.uk



Outdoor Life

Warrington Borough Council Ranger Service Walks

T: 01925 442494 E: rangers@warrington.gov.uk

These short walks around the borough provide an introduction to walking and are ideal if you haven't been out and about for a while. A Ranger will be at the meeting point whatever the weather. Sturdy footwear and waterproof clothing are essential. To receive your free copy of the 'What's on in Warrington's Parks' booklet simply join the mailing list by contacting the number above.

The Trans Pennine Trail

T: 01226 772574/01925 758195 www.transpenninetrail.org.uk

The Trail stretches the breadth of Northern England, from the Irish Sea to the North sea. Suitable for both walkers and cyclists the multi-user Trail is traffic free, providing an ideal facility for families. Many miles are also available to horse riders. Enjoy the Trans Pennine Trail in Warrington and you will experience a cross section of the area's countryside and cultural heritage.

Cycle Warrington

T: 01925 443322 www.warrington.gov.uk/warringtoncycleforum

Contact the above to receive a copy of the Warrington cycle map. The map provides details of off-road cycle routes and greenways where cycling is permitted. The cycle parking locations and cycle shops in the town are also detailed. The guide has information on health benefits, parking, safety and training. There are also sections giving advice to cyclists and to motorists. The borough wide overview map includes distance marking and expected times to complete a mile.



Croft Riding Centre

Spring Lane, Croft W3 7AS T: 01925 763715

www.croftridingcentre.co.uk

Riding instruction can be given in various disciplines including general riding, dressage, jumping and cross country. Lessons are given on a One to one basis or as groups. We can also provide tuition to schools, activity groups and clients with physical and learning disabilities.

Claymore Narrowboats

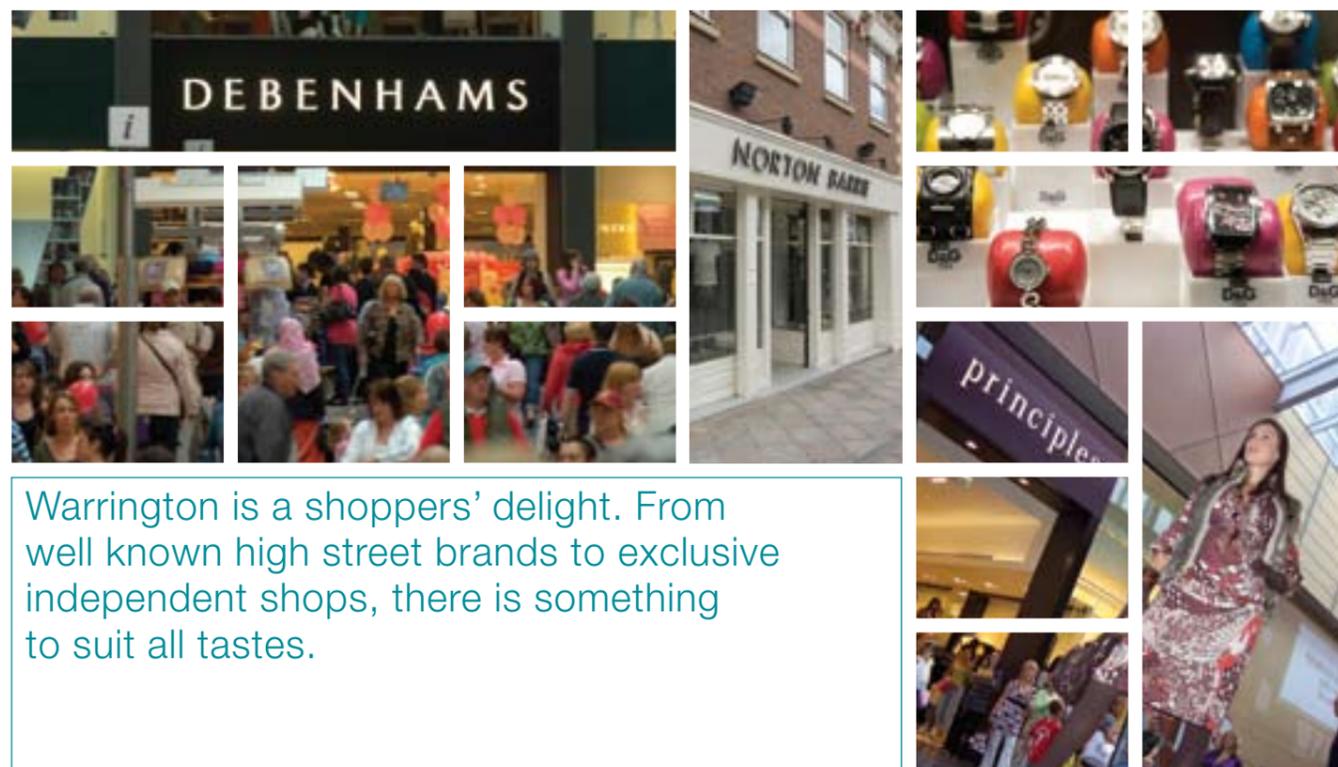
The Wharf, Preston Brook WA4 4BA T: 01928 717273

www.claymore.co.uk

If you are looking for a day out to enjoy with family and friends then our day boat hire may be the answer. Up to 12 people can take to the canals in our purpose built day boat and enjoy a full day on the waterways. Short breaks also available.



Shopping



Warrington is a shoppers' delight. From well known high street brands to exclusive independent shops, there is something to suit all tastes.



Shopping



Warrington Town Centre



HATTERS ROW



BORDERS

Golden Square Shopping Centre

T: 01925 655053 www.goldensquashopping.co.uk
The new Golden Square Shopping Centre opened in summer 2007 following a £120 million makeover. There is a fantastic range of stores including Debenhams, Zara, Republic, H&M, Warehouse, Next, HMV, Boots and BHS. Golden Square is open every day with late night shopping on Thursdays.

Hatters Row

T: 01925 632571 www.hattersrow.co.uk
An exclusive designer shopping arcade situated in Horsemarket Street close to the Golden Square shopping centre and new bus interchange.

Cockhedge Shopping Park

T: 01925 572219 www.cockhedgeshoppingpark.co.uk
Cockhedge Shopping Park contains an exceptional mix of retailers from small speciality shops to larger stores including Argos, Asda, Comet, TK Maxx and Wilkinson. The Cockhedge Centre is adjacent to the main pedestrian area and less than 5 minutes walk from Golden Square.

Warrington Market

T: 01925 632571 www.warrington.gov.uk/shopping/market
Warrington has been a market town for over 750 years. Warrington's Market is one of the largest in the North West with over 150 stalls and thousands of bargains all under one roof. At Warrington Market you will find locally produced fruit and vegetables, fresh fish, poultry and the choicest cuts of meat. There are fashions for all ages, cosmetics, jewellery, footwear, school uniform, household goods, home furnishings, fair trade products, sports goods, fishing tackle, pet supplies, cafes, and much more.

Warrington Market is on Bank Street and is accessible from Bridge Street and Buttermarket Street. It is less than a three minute walk from Golden Square and there is a multi storey car park adjacent to the Market.

Riverside Retail Park

Riverside Retail Park is located on the southern edge of the Town Centre and here you will find Borders Book Store, Laura Ashley, Pets at Home, Au Naturelle, Sports Direct and a variety of furniture and homewares stores.

Getting around the Town Centre

The main shopping streets in the town centre are fully pedestrianised with plenty of resting points. All the major shopping destinations are in an easy walking distance and are clearly signposted.

The Town Centre

The four main shopping streets are Bridge Street, Buttermarket Street, Horsemarket Street and Sankey Street. Where these four streets intersect at Market Gate, there is an award-winning redevelopment with a large fountain and "guardians" designed by Howard Ben Tré. On the high street you will find a great mixture of independent shops and well-known stores including Marks and Spencer, Woolworths and TJ Hughes.

During the year the town centre hosts many events, including continental markets, street entertainment and live music. There is always something happening and there's a lot to see and do. Warrington town centre is a great day out for everyone, so why not come along...it's all here waiting for you! For details of forthcoming events and activities visit the website www.welcometowarrington.com

Out of Town Shopping



BIRCHWOOD SHOPPING CENTRE



STOCKTON HEATH



THE FORGE SHOPPING CENTRE

Birchwood Shopping Centre

An interestingly designed shopping mall found at the heart of Birchwood houses 55 High Street stores ensuring there is plenty to offer the visitor who likes to shop.

Gemini Retail Park

Gemini is a great out of town retail park; boasting the first North West IKEA, Next, Boots and Marks and Spencer's superstore. Easily accessible from junction 8 M62.

Westbrook Centre

The shopping centre is known as the "Westbrook Centre" can be found to the north of Warrington. Here is a large ASDA supermarket as well as many smaller specialist stores. Westbrook is also home to the ODEON cinema adjacent to the shopping centre.

Village Shopping

Various specialist and independent shops can be found in Warrington's villages. At the centre of the Stockton Heath lies Victoria Square and immediately next to this is a shopping area, which includes the newly developed Forge Shopping Centre. Stockton Heath has a wealth of designer shops including Broadbents, Sarah Siddons and is also home to the award winning wine and spirit specialists Corks Out.

Warrington – A Fairtrade Borough

On 11 March 2006, following a campaign to gain the support of Warrington Borough Council, as well as local shops, restaurants, cafes, businesses, schools, faith and community groups Warrington was declared a Fairtrade Borough.

In the UK the FAIRTRADE mark is a guarantee that goods have been fairly traded. The independent Fairtrade Foundation only awards the FAIRTRADE mark to products that meet strict criteria.

Fair 4 All is Warrington's dedicated fair trade shop located in Warrington's Retail Market. They also aim to raise awareness about fair trade issues. For further information contact:



Fair 4 All Stall
38/39, Retail Market
Academy Way Warrington
Cheshire WA1 2EN

T: 01925 415121



MARKS & SPENCER, GEMINI RETAIL PARK

Specialist Suppliers & Local Produce

The Hollies

Northwich Road Lower Stretton WA4 4PG
 T: 01925 730976 www.theholliesfarmshop.co.uk

Crammed with locally sourced, traditionally produced foods, this isn't just a farm shop, it's a rural concept store in the heart of Cheshire. Here fashionistas and foodies unite in pursuit of their perfect taste sensations. The Hollies has the allure of a traditional grocery store, with boxes of plump vine tomatoes, perfect potatoes and fabulous fruit.



HOLLIES FARM SHOP

Warrington Retail Market

Bank Street Warrington WA1 2NE

Andrews Fish Game & Poultry Stalls 14 & 19 T: 01925 634527

Established over 15 years. Leading supplier of local game from Arley Estate. Member of N.A.S.C.

Mottershead Cheese Stall Stall 3 T: 07800 803134

Established over 40 years. Specialising in local supplies of cheese from Buxton and Preston. Also, well known supplier of for local honey.

Rigby's Fruit and Veg Stalls 76-81 T: 01925 636623

Warrington's largest independent greengrocer. Established over 50 years. Exclusive retailer for Leigh's Family Farm Eggs from Cheshire. Vegetables picked same day from local source.

Reardon and Sons Fish Stall Stalls 8 & 13 T: 01925 631669

Family run business established over 150 years. Daily visits to local docks from 4am to source fresh local supplies of fish.



ANDREWS FISH GAME & POULTRY

Corks Out

96 London Road Stockton Heath Warrington WA4 6LE
 T: 01925 267700 www.corksout.com

Corks Out Stockton Heath was established in 2003 by Ruth Yates. Offering a huge and eclectic range of over 2500 wines and spirits which are also available by mail order with next day delivery, wherever you are in the UK. Tasting notes can be provided with wines and whiskies bought as a gift as well as any personal message you would like to include.

Abbey Leys Farmers' Market

Abbey Leys Farm Shop Peacock Lane High Legh WA16 6NS
 T: 01925 753 465 www.abbeyleys.co.uk

Held every first Sunday in the month from 10.00am - 2.00pm. Products include: wild boar, ostrich, fresh seasonal fruit & vegetables, eggs, farmhouse ice cream, farmhouse cheeses, English wine, baked goods, meats, apple juice, goat's meat & cheese, culinary herbs, honey and crafts.

Kenyon Hall Farm

Winwick Lane Croft WA3 7ED
 T: 01925 763161 www.kenyonhall.co.uk

One of the leading Pick Your Own farms in the North West, growing 30 acres of fruit and vegetables, plus an extensive range of bedding plants, herbs, wildflowers, hanging baskets and patio tubs also available in the shop. Facilities include tea shop, picnic area and children's play area. Seasonal – check website for current availability.

Walton Lea Project

Chester Road Higher Walton Warrington WA4 6TB
 T: 01925 860143

The Walton Lea Project which is set in a Victorian walled garden is fast establishing itself as the place to obtain quality, local produce and support adults with learning difficulties in the process! Unusual and heritage varieties of fruit and vegetables are grown at the one acre site and are sold both from the on-site farm shop and mobile shop which goes out in the locality on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Warrington's Farmers' Market, organised by the Walton Lea Project, is held in Walton Gardens Heritage Yard on the second Sunday of the month and is open to the public from 10.30am - 4.30pm.



WALTON LEA PROJECT



Dining Out



Whether you wish to wine and dine or just snack and relax Warrington will meet your needs.





Dining Out



15 Cairo

15 Cairo Street WA1 1EE T: 01925 576576

Modern and stylish restaurant and bar with a contemporary menu guaranteed to delight.



Andalusia

108 Bridge Street WA1 2RU T: 01925 654165

Lebanese and Mediterranean cuisine served within an authentically themed restaurant and bar.



Anmol

62 Warrington Road Penketh WA5 2JP T: 01925 790877

Also at The Bridge Shopping Centre, Latchford WA4 1JR T: 01925 632500

Anmol restaurants guarantee you a unique dining experience by combining excellent service and classic Indian cuisine in a stylish and contemporary atmosphere.



Choy Hing Village Restaurant

97 Knutsford Road Grappenhall WA4 2NS T: 01925 265349/861169

Wonderful authentic Chinese dishes served in a friendly atmosphere. Popular local restaurant with an extensive menu, all dishes are freshly prepared. Reservations advisable



Duckegg Bluu

453 Warrington Road Culcheth WA3 5SJ

Fine eclectic menu served in contemporary surroundings – the perfect ambience for any occasion.



Ego

25 Walton Road Stockton Heath WA4 6NJ T: 01925 602606

Ego, the popular Mediterranean restaurant chain. Modern and stylish, with parking to the rear.



Flavours

16b The Cross Lymm WA13 0HU T: 01925 753079

Turkish restaurant with a welcoming yet modern and contemporary feel, set in the heart of Lymm village.



Fresh Approach Restaurant & Brasserie

Bents Garden Centre Warrington Road Glazebury WA3 5NT T: 01942 266300

An exciting alternative to the more traditional dining experience where world class chefs use only the finest ingredients to make every visit unique.



La Boheme

3 Mill Lane Lymm WA13 9SD T: 01925 753657

Family owned La Boheme presents traditional French cuisine in an elegant and classically designed restaurant with a friendly and attentive service.



Le Frog Bistro

Palmyra Square North WA1 1JQ T: 01925 244808

Situated on the delightful Palmyra Square in Warrington's Cultural Quarter, Le Frog offers modern English and Mediterranean dishes at affordable prices in a great bistro atmosphere.



Loch Fyne

Victoria Buildings 89 London Road Stockton Heath WA4 6LG T: 01925 214250

Our company philosophy is to serve top quality fish and shellfish in relaxed and friendly surroundings.



Lymm Bistro

16 Bridgewater Street Lymm WA13 0AB T: 01925 754852

A French style bistro set in a 200 year old building in Lymm. Fresh fish & seafood a speciality. Daily changing blackboard specials and full à la carte menu.



Padgate Restaurant at the Paddington House Hotel

514 Manchester Road WA1 3TZ T: 01925 816767

A sublime selection of modern British and International dishes. Originally part of a Georgian house the restaurant retains character and charm, serving a distinctive menu that is accompanied by real attention to detail.



Pan Y Vino

31 Walton Road Stockton Heath WA4 6SG T: 01925 210121

This exciting new addition to Stockton Heath offers exquisite tapas dishes in a relaxed and family friendly environment. Following a full renovation this restaurant offers dining over two levels.



Piccolino

Unit 6 London Road Stockton Heath WA4 6SG T: 01925 211190

A stylish and modern restaurant in Stockton Heath offering authentic Italian cuisine. A perfect venue for the discerning diner.



Rams Head Inn

Church Lane Grappenhall WA4 3EP T: 01925 262814

A traditional village pub and restaurant that prides itself on quality, service and value for money. Within 2 minutes walk from the Bridgewater canal in Grappenhall village.



Shelly's Restaurant/Coffee shop

8 Bold Street WA1 1DR T: 01925 654000 www.shellysrestaurant.co.uk

At Shelly's you can enjoy fine fresh food prepared to your liking. With no microwaves, and cooking where possible on 'Cromwell', our beautiful AGA, Shelly's is renowned for producing the best roasts, casseroles, cakes, and outstanding old fashioned puddings.



Soprano's

30 Common Lane Culcheth WA3 4HA T: 01925 765055

Authentic Italian specialities.



Sugarfields Bar & Grill at The Rhinewood Country House Hotel

Glazebrook Lane Glazebrook WA3 5BB T: 0161 775 1515

Sugarfields Bar & Grill provides a contemporary environment to enjoy quality food and wine in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.



The Chilli Club

Thirlmere Lodge Rectory Lane Lymm WA13 0AQ T: 01925 757545

Quality Thai food following authentic recipes. Extensive à la carte, set menus and banquet meals as well as a great Sunday buffet lunch.



The Cottage Restaurant

90 Church Street WA1 2TF T: 01925 241888
 Situated within an historical Tudor cottage, but with a luxurious contemporary-styled interior, the restaurant serves authentic Indian food, cooked using finest fresh ingredients, herbs and spices.



The Green Dragon

2 Mill Lane Heatley Lymm WA13 9SB T: 01925 750921
 Traditional home-cooked food, all day every day. Great selection of food from around the world. Friendly and warm with relaxing roaring fires.



The Olive Press

Palmyra Square South WA1 1BL T: 01925 650507
 Heathcote's Olive Press occupies the basement of the Pyramid Arts Centre. A pizzeria and grill offering a casual dining experience to suit all tastes.



The Stretton Fox

Spark Hall Close Stretton WA4 4NU T: 01925 732991
 A country pub restaurant, a friendly, warm atmosphere, with great staff and delicious food.



The Topiary in the Park Restaurant at the Park Royal Hotel

Stretton Road Stretton WA4 4NS T: 01925 730706
 Savour a mouth-watering menu of modern, à la carte cuisine from traditional English to extravagant fish and game dishes at this superb restaurant, situated within The Park Royal Hotel.



The Verve Grill at The Village Hotel

Centre Park WA1 1QA T: 01925 240000
 The newly refurbished Verve Grill is the perfect choice for classic and contemporary dishes. Open daily from 6pm for early diners.



The White Apron

27 Church Street WA1 2SS T: 01925 444894
 Authentic Mediterranean restaurant and wine bar located within a Grade II listed building on the oldest street in Warrington. The restaurant was the first to offer Fairtrade products on the menu.



Tammarin

Unit 7 Victoria Buildings London Road Stockton Heath WA4 2AG T: 01925 606168
 Thai restaurant in the centre of Stockton Heath. Stylish and traditional décor, restaurant entrance is on street level with the main dining area upstairs.



Tom at 101

101 London Rd Stockton Heath WA4 6LG T: 01925 212660
 Providing quality food using only the finest ingredients from local suppliers, the team prides itself on providing the best dining experience north of the Watford gap!

Restaurant Association of Chester & Cheshire



The Restaurant Association of Chester and Cheshire is a membership body covering the full spectrum of eating establishments. It is a forum through which they can share best practice, access funding for training and quality initiatives, and benefit from improved promotion and marketing. The association will contribute to building the image of Chester and Cheshire as a destination synonymous with quality food and drink.

Please visit www.visitchesterandcheshire.co.uk/Restaurant-Association for more information.



Accommodation

Warrington has a wide range of hotels and accommodation to suit all needs and budgets, demonstrating the popularity of the town as a convenient base from which to explore. From friendly inns to luxury hotels, the choice is yours.



Accommodation



If you need any further help, be certain to contact Warrington Tourist Information Centre on **01925 428585** or email informationcentre@warrington.gov.uk



Broomedge Farm Cottages VisitBritain ****

Burford Lane, Lymm WA13 0SE T: 01925 752830

Located on a quiet farm near Lymm the cottages, which were converted from an 18th century dairy parlour, are an ideal base for exploring Cheshire and the North West.



De Vere Daresbury Park Hotel AA ****



Daresbury Park Chester Road WA4 4BB T: 01925 267331

Every one of the hotel's 183 bedrooms and suites has been designed for well-appointed comfort in contemporary style, offering luxury and choice to all guests.



Express By Holiday Inn AA Budget Hotel

Winwick Road WA2 8QA T: 0870 704 9900

Conveniently located for the M62 and M6 just north of town centre, and adjacent to the Toby Carvery. Wifi and high speed internet access are available throughout the hotel, which also provides complimentary breakfast and free car parking.



The Fir Grove Hotel AA ***

Knutsford Old Road Grappenhall WA4 2LD T: 01925 267471

12 bedrooms featuring DVD players, Play Station and CD players. 52 en suite bedrooms, 2 function suites accommodating up to 200 guests.



Holiday Inn Warrington VisitBritain ***



1 Woolston Grange Avenue Woolston WA1 4PX T: 0870 400 9087

A 96 bedroom hotel all en suite with 24 hour room service. Junction restaurant which offers an international cuisine. Ideally located for the corporate or leisure traveller.



Holiday Inn Runcorn VisitBritain ***

Wood Lane Sutton Weaver Runcorn WA7 3HA T: 0870 4009070

This 150 bedroom hotel is conveniently located off the M56, and has facilities including the Spirit Health Club, a restaurant and 8 meeting rooms.



Innkeeper's Lodge Warrington VisitBritain ****

322 Newton Road Lowton WA3 1HD T: 01925 671421

The inn has 58 rooms all of which are finished to a very high standard. Each room is en suite with king-size bed, plus tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer and Sky TV as standard.



Lymm Hotel AA ***



Whitbarrow Road Lymm WA13 9AQ T: 01925 752233

An important difference at the Lymm Hotel is the commitment and sheer professionalism of the staff. Their enthusiastic, considerate and personal attention to each and every guest makes your stay something to remember.



Mere Court Hotel & Conference Centre VisitBritain ****

Warrington Road Knutsford WA16 0RW T: 01565 831000

This attractive Edwardian house stands in 7 acres of mature gardens offering a peaceful ambience in luxury surroundings. Many bedrooms have views over the grounds and ornamental lake.



New House Farm Cottages VisitBritain **



Hatton Lane Hatton WA4 4BZ T: 01925 730567

Expect a warm family welcome to our 200-year-old cottages. Gardeners, birdwatchers and nature lovers will enjoy the gardens, which include 2 wildlife ponds and 9 types of organically-grown soft fruit.



Paddington House Hotel AA **



514 Old Manchester Road Cheshire WA1 3TZ T: 01925 816767

Ideally located for the motorway network and minutes from Warrington town centre. The hotel offers a comfortable stay with a warm and friendly atmosphere.



Park Royal Hotel AA ****



Stretton Road Stretton WA4 4NS T: 01925 730706

Reservations: 0845 0740054

Hotel and facilities that are unrivalled, a health spa which is one of the best in the country, welcoming and friendly staff, and easy access to the motorway you can't fail to be impressed.



Rams Head Inn Bed & Breakfast AA ***

Church Lane, Grappenhall WA4 3EP T: 01925 262814

The Rams Head Inn is a traditional village pub and restaurant that prides itself on quality, service and value for money. Located a few minutes walk from the Bridgewater Canal in Grappenhall village, Cheshire.



The Rhinewood Country House Hotel AA ***

Glazebrook Lane Glazebrook WA3 5BB T: 0161 775 5555

This 32 bedroom hotel offers a superb range of facilities including en suite rooms, 2 function rooms, fully-equipped restaurant, bistro and bar and much more.



Rose Cottage AA ****

1 The Square Lymm WA13 0HX T: 01538 371467

Located in the quiet backwater of Lymm, overlooking the historic Bridgewater Canal. Rose Cottage is available to rent for a holiday break or a business overnight stop.



Tall Trees Lodge VisitBritain ***



Tarporley Road Lower Whitley WA4 4EZ T: 01928 790824

A warm welcome in a relaxed atmosphere is assured at this family-run lodge in Cheshire's beautiful heartland. All bedrooms have en suite facilities. Fully licensed. Continental breakfast available.



Travelodge AA Budget Hotels

Lymm Services T: 0870 1911657

Warrington Town Centre T: 0870 1911679

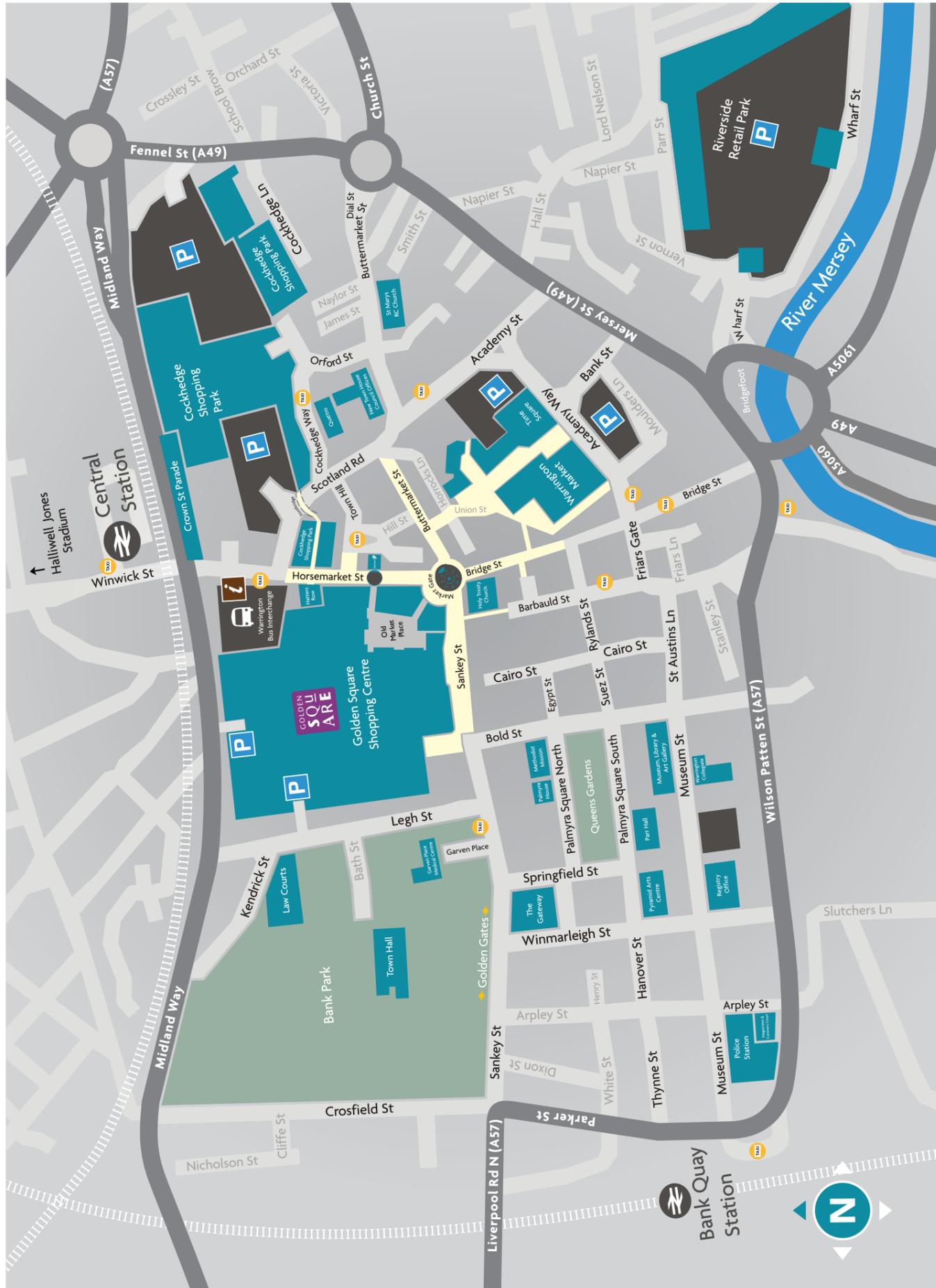
King size beds, en-suite bathrooms, remote control TV's, radio alarm, and family rooms, not to mention friendly service and our 100% satisfaction guarantee.



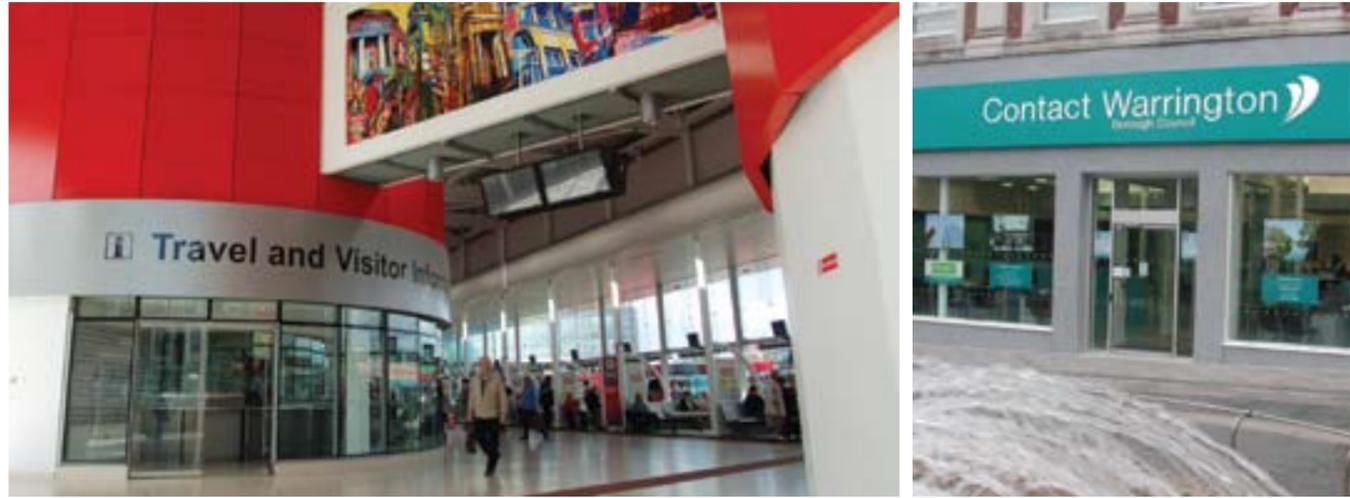
Village Prem Hotel Awaiting Grading

Centre Park WA1 QA T: 01928 240000

Following a five million pound refurbishment, Village Warrington offers a comfortable and contemporary choice for the modern traveller. Situated close to the M56 & M6, and within easy walking distance to the town centre. Free parking and wi-fi available.



+ Advice & Assistance



Visitor Information

Warrington Travel & Visitor Information Centre
 Bus Interchange Horsemarket Street Warrington WA1 1TF
 T: 01925 428585 F: 01925 652692
 E: informationcentre@warrington.gov.uk

Open Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm and Saturdays 9am - 1pm

If you're looking for ideas for a weekend break or just planning a day out you can be sure of helpful and reliable advice from Warrington's Tourist Information Centre. Services available include:

Travel & Accommodation Booking Services
 Including National Express Tickets & Event Bookings for national, regional and local events.

Contact Warrington

One Stop Shop
 26-30 Horsemarket Street Warrington WA1 1XL
 T: 01925 443322 F: 01925 443211
 E: contact@warrington.gov.uk

Open Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm and Saturdays 9am - 1pm
 (Telephone lines are open Monday to Friday 8am – 6pm and Saturday 9am – 1pm)

Contact Warrington provides Warrington residents with the facility of a One Stop Shop for certain primary services, it is also home to a call centre consisting of more than 20 customer service advisors ready to take incoming calls.

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Town Centre Management

T: 01925 442753 F: 01925 442303
 E: towncentremangement@warrington.gov.uk

Town Centre Management is a front line service which aims to make the town centre as safe, clean and welcoming as possible. The service co-ordinates all aspects of town centre management. The multi skilled warden service and CCTV team work in conjunction with police and security services to make the town centre safer for businesses and visitors.

Emergency Healthcare

Out of Hours Healthcare Service
 T: 01925 650999

NHS Direct
 T: 0845 4647

Warrington Hospital
 Lovely Lane WA5 1QG T: 01925 635911

Emergency Dentists
 Warrington Dental Access Centre
 Unit 7-8 The Mall Cockhedge Shopping Centre
 T: 01925 243620

Warrington Police

Arpley Street WA1 1LQ T: 01925 652222



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