

Ilkley & District u3a Railway Group

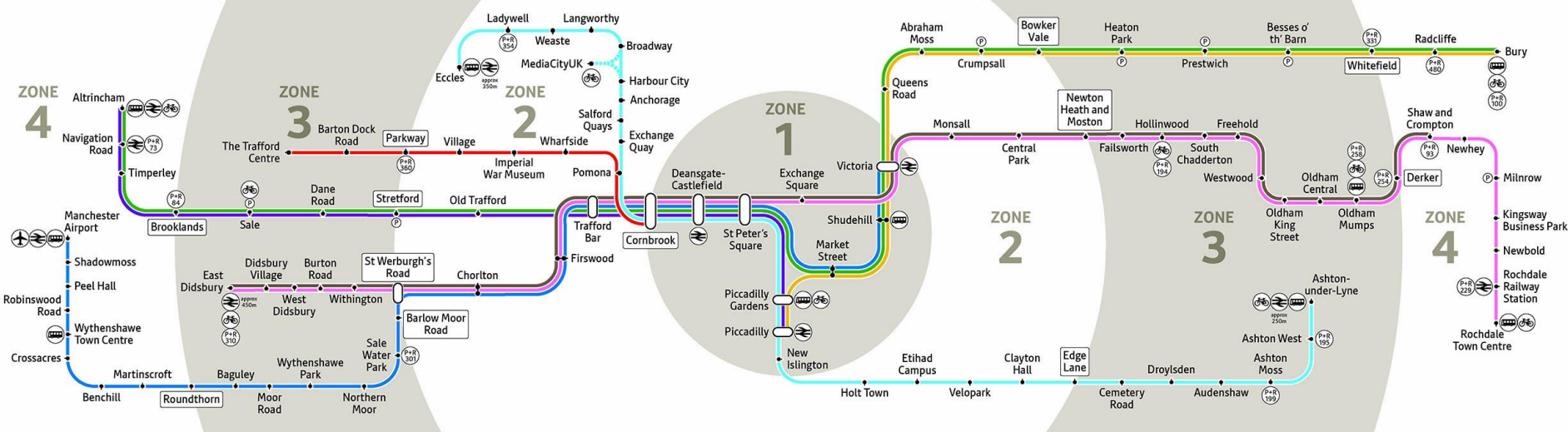
Images of our visit to the Control Room & Maintenance depot of Manchester's tram system at Old Trafford on Tuesday 4th April 2023.

Thanks to the team at Metrolink for making this visit possible.

TRAVELCARD

Ticket type
adult 1-day off-peak travelcard
 Valid from **04 Apr 23** Valid until **04 Apr 23** End of Service
 Purchased at **Victoria (Z1)**
 Valid in **Zone 1+2** Price **£3.50**

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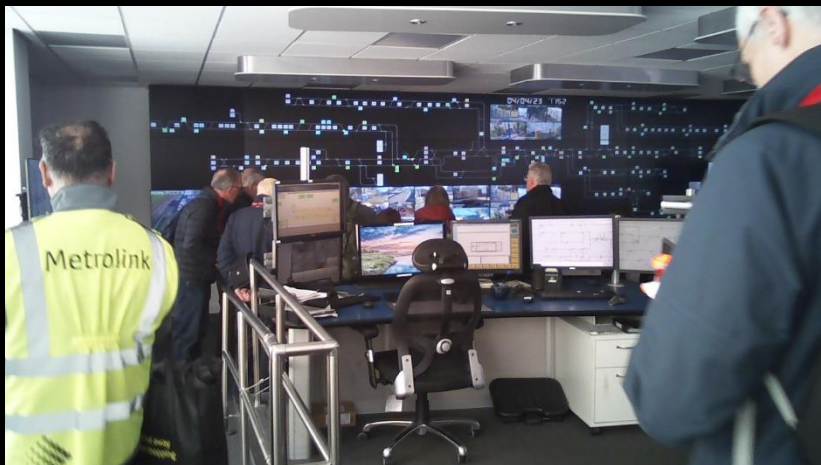
08:41 train from Leeds and met at Manchester Victoria Station by our hosts



A tram journey across the city centre to Old Trafford when our party was split into two groups.

10 went to view the control room and the remainder visited the maintenance depot

These pictures are inside the control room.

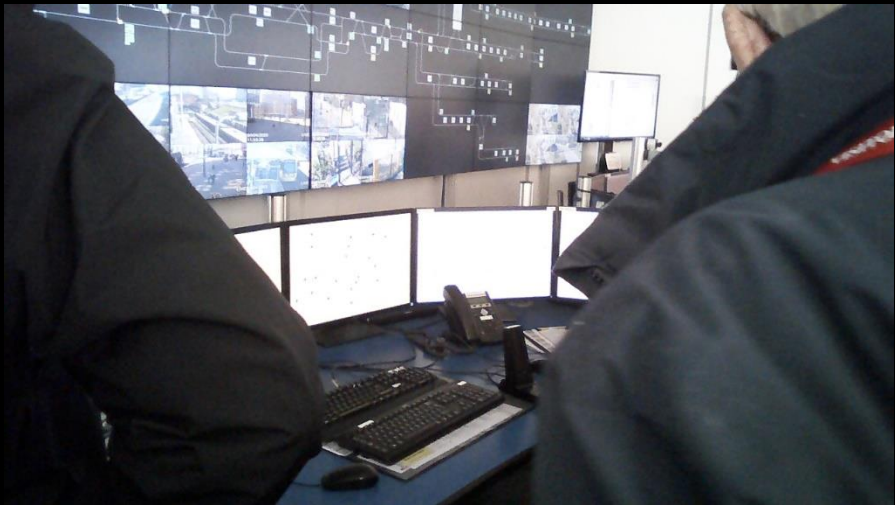


The control room monitors 147 trams with 99 stops over a distance of 64 miles





Each of the nine services runs to a 12-minute headway; stops with more than one service experience combined headways of 6 minutes or less.





Inside the maintenance depot

Tram 1007 is from the original 1992 fleet and is owned by the Manchester Transport Museum Society, who run the Heaton Park Tramway,







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**Group photograph.
The sky really was that colour. A perfect sunny day**





The group receiving their goody bags courtesy of Metrolink



Conversion of an old railway viaduct at Deansgate into a pleasant urban garden and visited by some of the group on the return journey