

# Together we are tRAILblazers!

'Together we are tRAILblazers!' is a unique photography project, undertaken and on display at every station from Wigan Wallgate, through Kirkby, to Moorfields.

The project engaged students from Kirkby High School and Hope School and College to travel the line, taking photos that represent their views and perceptions of rail travel, visiting locations that they could encourage their peers to use rail to access, and responding to the Community Rail Strategy Consultation. The students also participated in Community Rail Lancashire's 'Passengers of the Future' and 'Railway Confidence Programme' education offers, building confidence in rail use, including for young people with additional needs and disabilities.

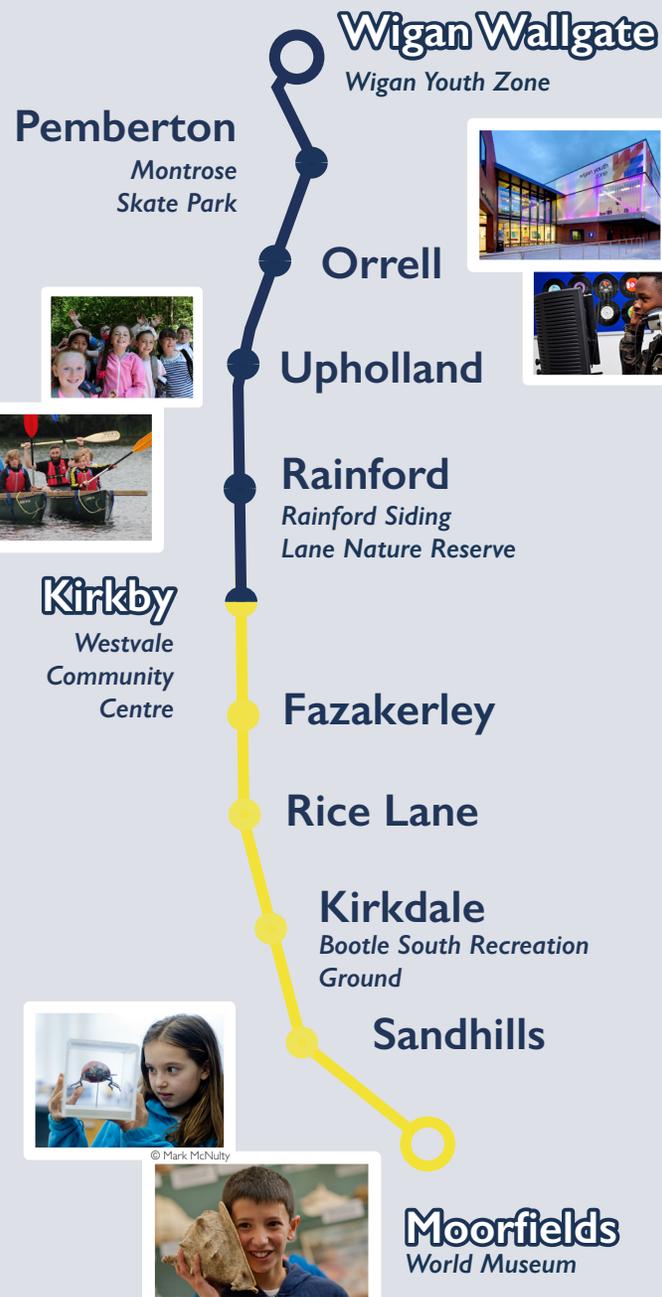
The students' work promotes safe and responsible use of the line for other young people, as well as giving them locations to visit that provide free or discounted youth activities.

The photos taken were used to create artwork which is on display at every station from Wigan Wallgate to Moorfields.

Posters for the line have also been produced (see right) showing location options for young people to visit. Leaflets with the same information has been sent to all 102 local schools to promote responsible and confident rail use.

The project was launched on the 1st of February 2018 at the Museum of Liverpool, with a wonderful launch event sponsored by Merseyrail.

The fantastic launch event, sponsored by Merseyrail!



## Featured locations:

### Wigan Youth Zone

Wigan Youth Zone is a purpose built, state-of-the-art youth facility in Wigan town Centre which opened in June 2013. It offers young people from across Wigan the opportunity to meet friends and achieve their potential.

Choose from activities including our four 40-metre floodlit football pitches, art room, music room and climbing wall.

### Westvale Community Centre

Knowsley Youth Mutual (KYM) is a youth organisation working with some of the most disadvantaged young people in the UK.

As a Community Benefit Society we support young people to experience positive activities in their communities and provide opportunities that help them reach their full potential and realise their ambitions.

### World Museum

From the sea to the stars, a visit to World Museum reveals millions of years of the Earth's history through thousands of exhibits and hands on activities. Find out how humans created the world we inhabit, from Africa to the Americas, Asia and Europe.

The new Ancient Egypt gallery is filled with mummies, costumes and hundreds of other artefacts. The Aquarium is home to fish from Australia to Anglesey, while an array of creepy crawlies live in the Bug House. Then, enjoy an out of this world programme of shows in the Planetarium!

For more information on these locations, or to participate, please visit:

[downtheline.org.uk/projects/together-we-are-trailblazers](http://downtheline.org.uk/projects/together-we-are-trailblazers)

