

10 Continue on Scaitcliffe Street to the roundabout and cross over to the small garden area with a large cog wheel. Turn left at the end of the garden and follow the path between Hyndburn Council's offices and Waterside Apartments.



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11 Follow the path until you reach Platt's Lodge where you will see some red cast iron bridge piers that carried the railway over the lodge and on up the incline to Baxenden.



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12 Follow the path across the lodge and along a track with railings on your right until you reach Mount Street, a busy road.



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13 Follow the track up the hill for approximately 0.5 miles (0.75km) until you reach a large stone set in the path.



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Mount Street/Nuttall Street and the Woodnook area of Accrington is due to see some improvement works carried out by Lancashire County Council. These works are due to take place during 2026 and will improve connectivity to the Hyndburn and Woodnook Greenways and provide new and enhanced walking, wheeling and cycling facilities in the area. A revised leaflet will be produced when the new facilities, including a crossing on Mount Street, have been installed.

Carefully cross the road and pass through a gap in the wall opposite 13 or via a wider entrance past a gate to the right 14. Join the path and start the climb up that Baxenden bank that caused steam engines trouble back when this was an active railway line.



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Turn left up the stony path that goes off to the left, 16 (look for the signpost hiding in the bushes) 17.



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At this point the Greenway continues on towards Rising Bridge, but if you follow this path up the hill for approximately 0.25 miles (0.5km) passing the King George V Recreation Ground on the left until you reach Royds Avenue 18.



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19 Turn right onto Royds Avenue and walk up as far as Hollins Lane, turn left and follow this along and round to the left until you reach the entrance to Haworth Art Gallery (approximately 0.5 miles, 0.75 km).



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3.5 km / 2.25 miles
Mostly level to Accrington, uphill to Haworth Art Gallery

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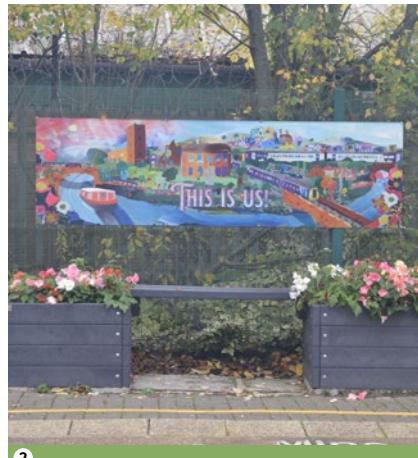
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HYNDBURN GREENWAY & WOODNOOK TRAIL

1 The trail starts at Church & Oswaldtwistle station on the Blackburn bound platform.



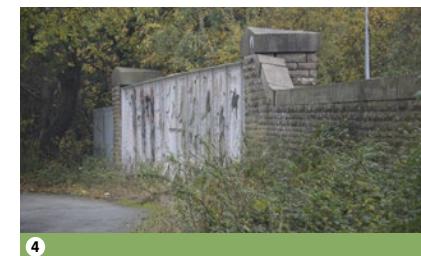
2 Take time here to look at the art work installed on the fence on both sides of the station. Details of this art project can be found by scanning the QR code here.



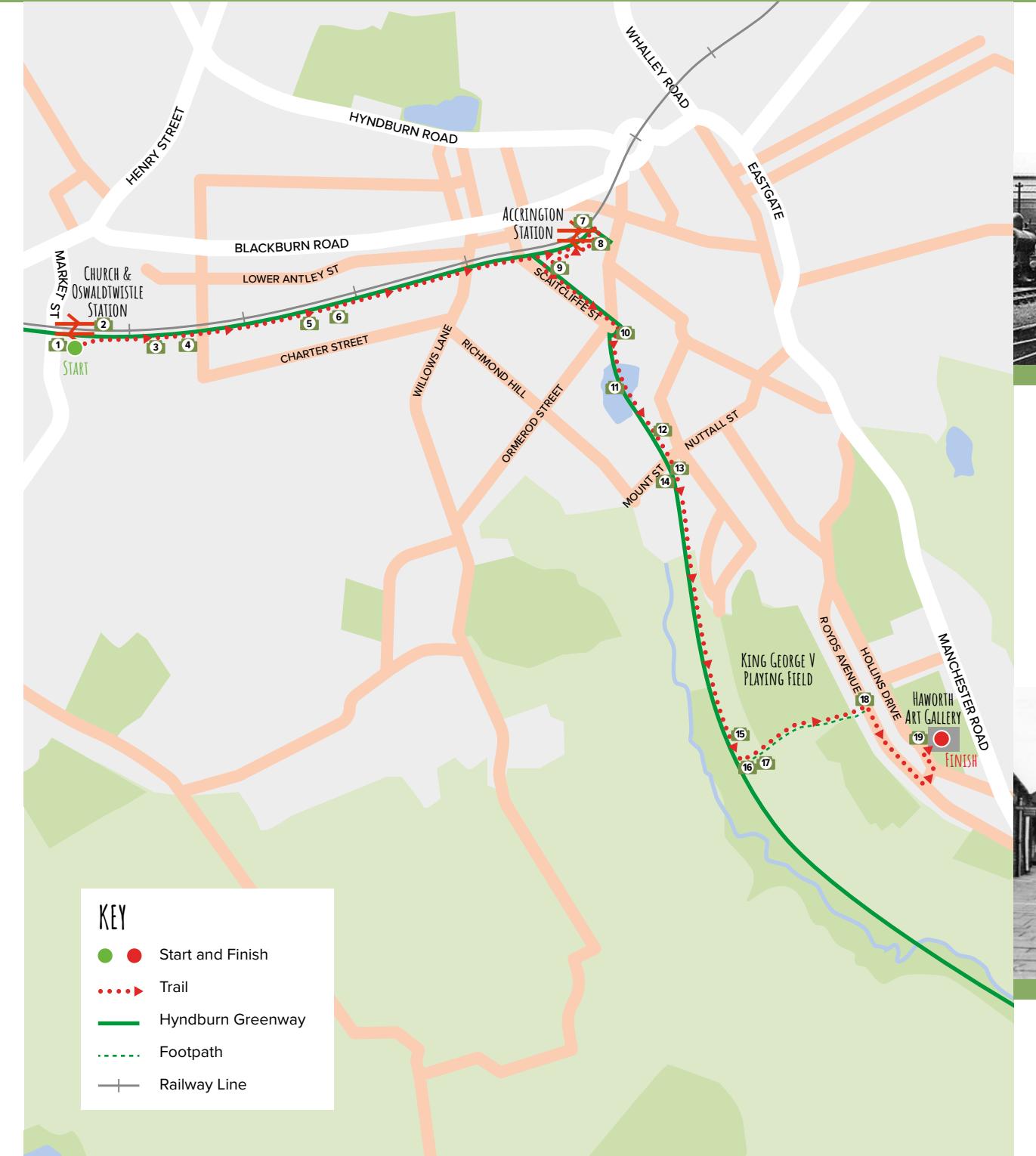
3 Walk down the platform towards Accrington and part way along the platform go through the gap in the fence and join the Hyndburn Greenway, known locally as the 'Black Path'. The path follows the railway line towards Accrington and is laid on land reclaimed after old railway sidings were removed in the 1970s.



4 Keep an eye out for signs of the old railway as you walk along.



5 After approximately 0.5 miles (0.75km) on the right-hand side is the site of the old British Railways steam shed, one of the last steam locomotive sheds in the country.



6 The shed last saw steam engines in 1961 and finally closed in 1972 and was then demolished. Scan the QR code here for the full history.



7 Continue for another 0.5 miles (0.75km) and arrive at the back of the platform at Accrington station.

Accrington station was a large triangular station with routes serving Colne and into Yorkshire, Blackburn and Preston and via the 'Baxenden Bank' to Manchester. The route to Manchester suffered during the Beeching cuts and closed to traffic on December 5th 1966. Much of the infrastructure was removed but the track bed was converted to a footpath and cycle way.



The trail can also be started from Accrington station by following the path behind the platform 2 until you reach the path by Scaitcliffe Street.

8 Take time to look at the artwork on the station fences that has been created by local school children and local artists. The new Accrington station was the first fully eco station in the country and to see more about the history of Accrington station and discover its eco merits scan the QR code here.



9 Retrace your steps back along the Black Path for about 220 yards (200m) and turn left up the path adjacent to Scaitcliffe Street. Join Scaitcliffe Street and walk along in front of the Globe Centre, formerly the Globe Works of Howard and Bullough that manufactured machinery for the textile industry and during World War II turned to providing shells, gun carriages and aircraft parts for the war effort.

