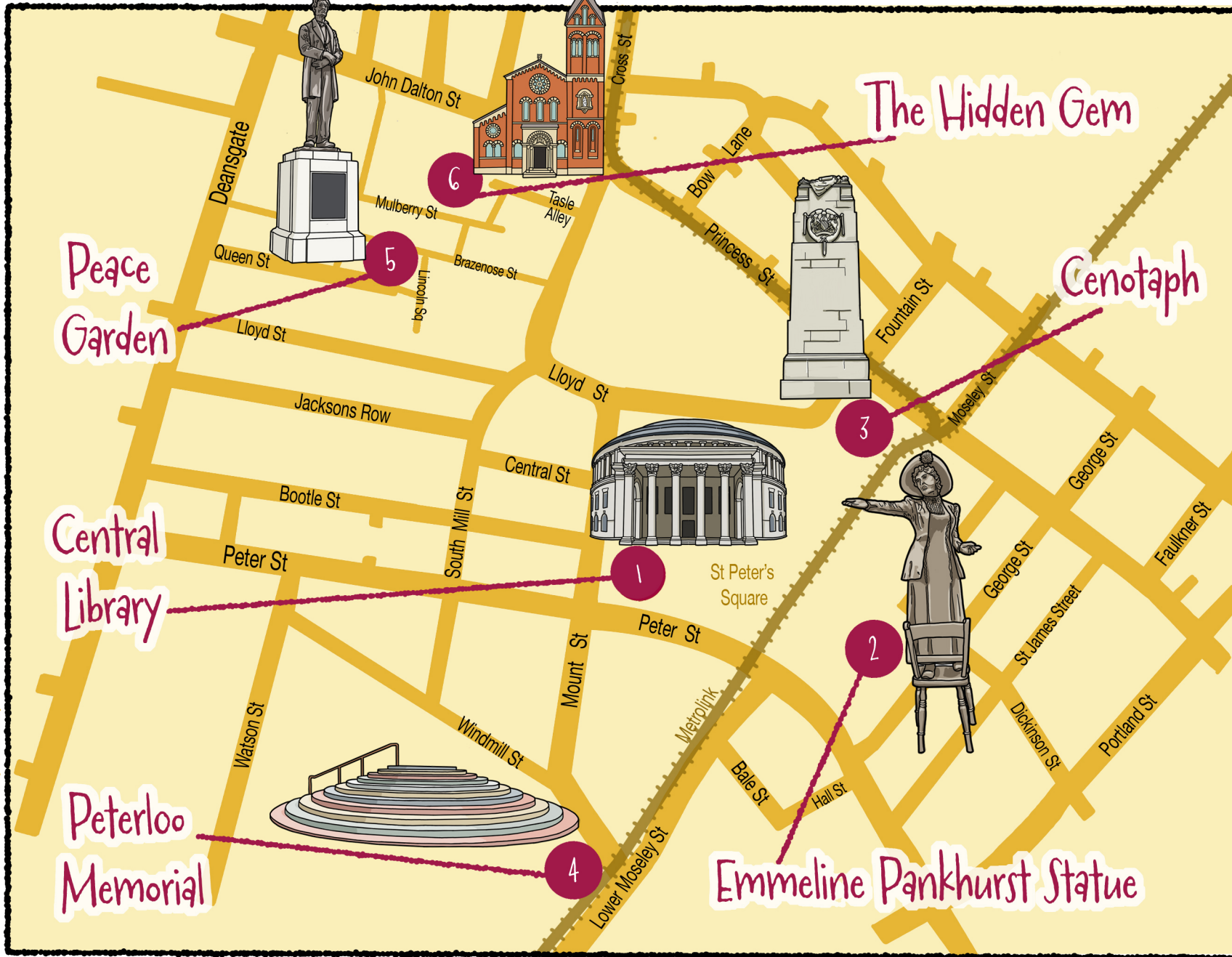
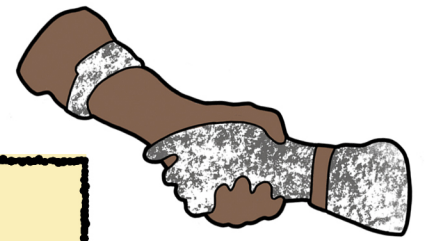




Historic England

Manchester Peace Trail for Young People



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1. Central Library

The library was opened by King George V in 1934. At the time, it was the largest library in the country.

Libraries are important buildings where people can borrow books and find information without being charged. Manchester was the first city to provide the public with a lending library.

Look at the Manchester Coat of Arms above the door. What form of transport is above the shield?

2. Pankhurst Statue

For centuries women were not allowed to vote. Emmeline Pankhurst thought that was unfair. She led a campaign for the right to vote (suffrage). She was a suffragette.

This statue was unveiled in 2018, one hundred years after some women first got the right to vote.

Look at the curved wall around the statue. The motto for the suffragettes is engraved there. What is it?

3. Cenotaph

War memorials help us remember people who died during wars. This memorial was unveiled in 1924, six years after the end of the First World War. The column is called a cenotaph and it represents people who were buried overseas. Memorials also remind us of the value of peace and of those who died fighting for peace. There is a special ceremony here every year on November 11th.

What weapon is on both sides of the cenotaph?

4. Peterloo Memorial

The Peterloo Massacre took place on August 16th, 1819. On this day, 60,000 men, women & children walked peacefully to St Peter's field for a meeting on fairer voting laws. Soldiers on horses were sent to stop the event. They rode at the crowd waving their swords. Fifteen people, including one child, died. It wasn't until 1928 that all people over 21 years got the vote.

Which symbol on the memorial represents friendship?

5. Peace Garden

In the Peace Garden a statue of Abraham Lincoln commemorates when slavery was abolished in the United States (in 1865), when he was president. At the time, cotton mill workers in Manchester refused to use cotton picked by enslaved people. Lincoln wrote them a letter to thank them for their support.

Damaged Ginkgo trees re-grew in Hiroshima a year after it was bombed in WW2. They are now a symbol of peace and some are planted in the Peace Garden.

How many Ginkgo leaf shapes can you find in the seating area?

6. The Hidden Gem

St Mary's RC Church was founded in 1794 for Catholics to worship openly after several centuries when Catholicism was banned, and people had to worship in secret. It represents tolerance in a city of many faiths.

It is known as the Hidden Gem because it's tucked away and many people don't know it's there.

How many windows are on the front of the church?

Can you spot where these details are from on the trail? (they're mixed up). Insert the correct number for each one in the circles.

