

# Stratford-upon-Avon Victorian Christmas Market

## Accessibility Statement 2021

### **Pre-arrival and Parking**

For information on travel and transport please see:

[www.thetrainline.com](http://www.thetrainline.com)

[www.nationalrail.co.uk](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk)

<https://www.stratford.gov.uk/parking-roads-transport/car-parks.cfm>

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/stratfordparkandride>

Stratford Park & Ride and Stratford-upon-Avon Parkway train station car parks now operate as one, with the car park being converted to a Pay and Display car park. All users will be required to purchase a car park Pay & Display ticket or have a valid season ticket displayed on their dashboard. There is no charge for Blue Badge holders when displaying a current blue badge.

The park and ride from Parkway will be operating as normal on Thursday, Friday and Saturday only.

There will be an additional service on Sunday which will run until 5pm. The drop off and pick up point is on Rother Street. There will be wheelchair access on all of the park and ride buses.

### **Public Transport**

Stratford-upon-Avon train station is approximately 10 minutes' walk from the Victorian Christmas Market site and there is an easy pedestrian route with dropped kerbs and tactile paving at all major road junctions.

Due to the road closures town centre buses for Wood Street and Bridge Street are diverted to both sides of Guild Street close to the rear of Marks and Spencer and adjacent to Kwik Fit.

Buses from the Alcester direction are diverted from Wood Street to Rother Street.

### **Blue Badge Parking Spaces On-Street**

Spaces that are **unaffected** by the road closures are as follows:

Chapel Lane (CV37 6BE): 7 [adjacent to the RSC Offices].  
Church Street (CV37 6HX): 1  
Sheep Street Rear Access (CV37 6EE): 9  
Southern Lane (CV37 6BH) [down the side of The Other Place]: 10

### **Blue Badge Parking in Car Parks**

Blue Badge Parking is free in Stratford-on-Avon District Council car parks when displaying a current Blue Badge. If there are no dedicated designated parking bays available for your use, you may park FOR FREE in any other parking bay and display your current Blue Badge.

Bridgeway Multi-Story and Bridgeway Surface car parks are operated by a **pay on exit** system. Blue Badge holders can park for free by visiting Shopmobility (located within the multi-story car park). Shopmobility will be open on Thursday – Saturday of the event [more information below].

### **Blue Badge bays in car parks**

Arden Street: 3  
Bridgeway Multi-storey: 13  
Church Street: 2  
Guild Street (rear of the Library): 3  
Leisure Centre: 7  
Recreation Ground: 8  
Windsor Street: 8

### **Taxi Ranks**

Due to the road closures the following **taxi ranks** are suspended during the Victorian Christmas Market:

Bridge Street  
Union Street  
Wood Street

### **Temporary Taxi Rank Parking Provision**

Rother Street (layby outside York House)  
Windsor Street (layby at the top of Henley Street)  
Guild Street (rear of BHS)

### **Entry to Victorian Christmas Market**

Hostile Vehicle Mitigation is in use at each of the entrances to Victorian Christmas Market site. Each of these HVM gated systems are manned at all times when the event is open but when closed they will be left open. Security is in place for the 4 days but the surface mounted HVM system allows for free movement into the event by pedestrians.

Entry into the Victorian Market is free. The asphalt or paved surfaces are on level ground but you may encounter protectors over cables that are on the ground. Dropped kerbs will be left clear to enable access around the market.

In the town centre where necessary a number of portable dropped kerbs will be in place to assist anyone with a disability or people with pushchairs and prams.

### **Stalls**

Stalls used for the event will be a mix of 'Pop-up' style and traditional heavy steel frames with PVC roofs and wooden counters at table height. Stall holders will be happy to serve from the front of the stall if possible. Ask if you need assistance.

### **Public Toilets**

Public toilets, which include accessible toilets operated with a Radar key, are shown in the festival brochure and will be open during the event. These are located at:

Bridgeway [adjacent to the car park]  
Ely Street [male only]  
Waterside  
Windsor Street [adjacent to the car park]

Town centre cafes, bars and restaurants may allow you to use their toilet facilities during the event.

**Changing Places Toilet**

Is located at Stratford Leisure Centre, Bridgeway, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 6YX. Phone 01789 268826

**Shopmobility**

<https://www.stratford.gov.uk/people-communities/shopmobility.cfm>

Level 2, Bridgeway Multi Storey Car Park CV37 6YY, 01789 414534.

Shopmobility hires out mobility scooters, manual and powered wheelchairs.

Please call before you visit or if you require further information.

During the event they are open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday 0900 hrs - 1630hrs.