

GM Walking Festival

Joining a Festival Walk: Frequently Asked Questions

Please see below FAQs for participants. If you have further questions, please contact info@gmmoving.co.uk or [see the GM Walking Festival page](#) for more information.

Q: Why should I take part?

A: The GM Walking Festival 2024 is an opportunity to get out and move more during May for National Walking Month and help share the benefits of walking with your local community. The walks also provide the opportunity for you to connect with others and familiarise yourself with walking routes near you or further afield in Greater Manchester.

Take a look at our Festival website page and keep an eye out for updates within your local community!

Q: Is there a fee to take part?

A: No. These walks are all completely free and you can join as many as you like during May. Share your photos and stories with us by tagging @GmWalks on social media and using the hashtag #GMMoving

Q: I have accessibility requirements. Can I still take part?

A: Absolutely. You'll find suitable walking routes for different needs and requirements on the main festival page, giving you the freedom to choose which would suit you best. Simply filter the selection to your requirements and all available walks near you will appear.

Q: Do I need to book or can I turn up on the day?

A: Unless the walk leader has requested booking, participants can turn up on the day. Please double-check the booking information and contact details for your chosen walk(s).

Why not invite a friend or family member to join you? The more the merrier!

Q: What time do I need to arrive?

A: We recommend arriving at the meeting point 10-15 minutes before the walk start time. Find the meeting point information on the website page for your chosen walk(s).

Q: What do I need to bring on the day?

A: We recommend wearing suitable shoes and clothing for the walk type/length you've chosen to participate in, as well as a water bottle (essential) and snacks (recommended).

Q: I can no longer attend, what should I do?

A: If you're unable to attend a walk you can contact the walk lead directly through the contact details on the website page. This is not required if you have not booked to attend. For the full Walking Festival programme please visit the Festival web page to find other walks to join in with.

Q: Can I bring my dog?

A: Check the website page for your chosen walk(s) for information about bringing your furry friend. Some walks will be suitable for dogs, others will advise against it. If you have any questions please contact the walk leader.

Q: Where can I give feedback?

A: You can either talk to your walk leader or contact info@gmmoving.co.uk with any queries or feedback.

Q: I want to host a walk, how can I do this?

If you'd like to host a walk as part of the Festival, [follow this link to the form to submit your walk](#). There's lots of useful resources and guidance to help you, and a separate FAQs document for walk organisers. Walks must be submitted **before Friday 22nd March**.