

## Form up Arrangements- October 4th

The march looks set to be a large event. The biggest organisational challenge will be the safe and orderly movement of people at the form-up, and along the march . We estimate that the march will take up to two hours to leave the assembly area.

There will be a disability assembly zone for those who wish to view the speakers at the rally, at the front of the march adjacent to All Saints Park, and there will also be a bus transfer from there to the short march entry point. For those who only want to complete a short march there will be an assembly point at Brazenose Street off Albert Square that will be fed into the march as it passes.

Oxford Road will be closed near to the Mancunian Way to All Saints Park, from early on 4<sup>th</sup> October so all access to the march will be from the south end of the road .

Along Oxford Road, signs will be put on lamp posts or other street furniture to demarcate 12 zones – not all equally sized . A provisional map is attached, but precise locations of zones may need to change.

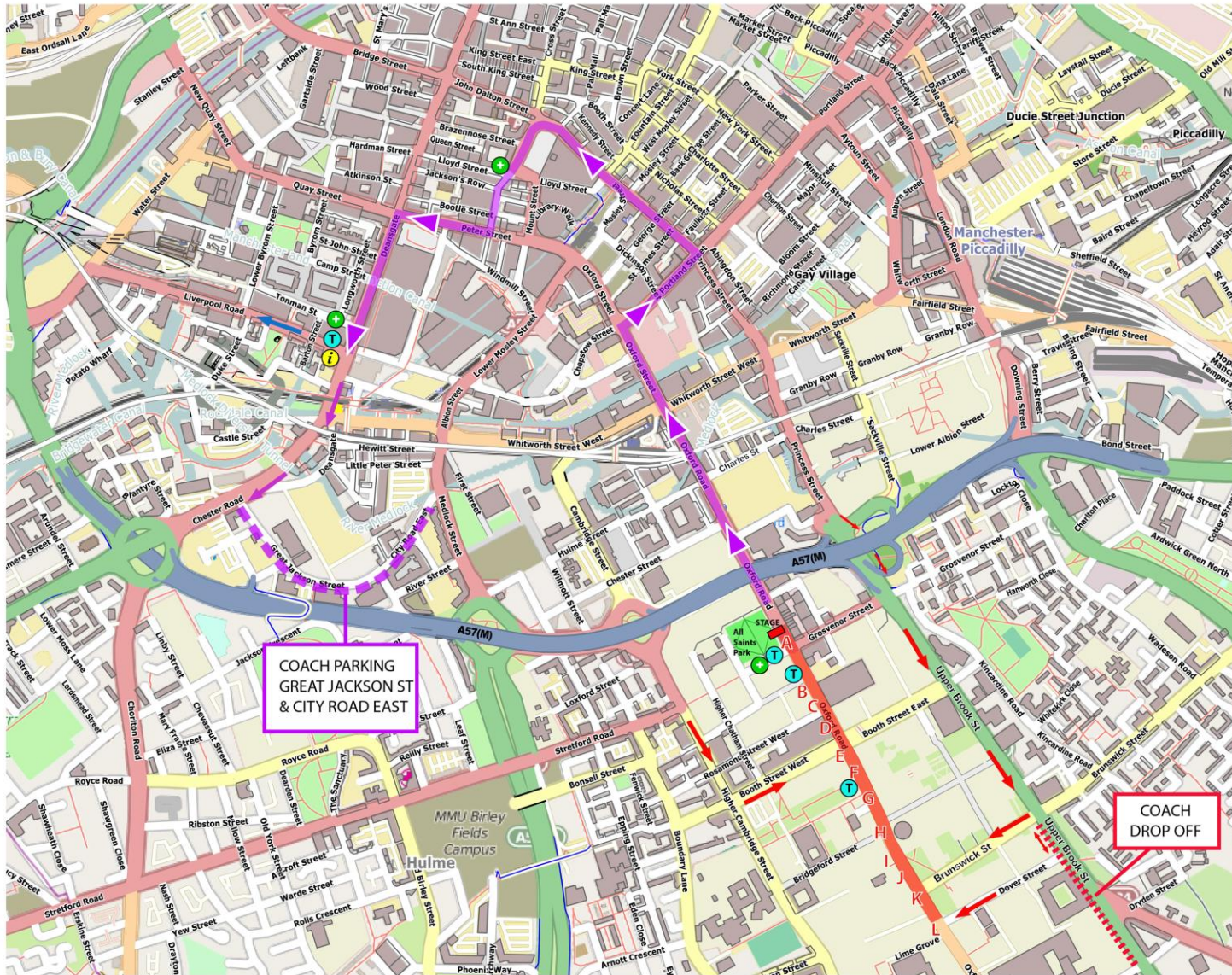
Once the allocated form-up zones are full all new arrivals will be diverted to the rear of the march. Stewards linked by radio and stationed near to road junctions will divert people so that they do not try to join the march at the front or move down the march, but instead use parallel routes to reach the rear.

Therefore it might not be possible for every union member to march with their own main banner. And experience shows that groups who have travelled together may want to march on a cross union basis – such as with Trades Council organised coaches. In general we would encourage people who travel together to stick together as that will make it easier for people to join coaches when they return. Once the march starts moving we will move sections up to fill any gaps and direct any who arrive after this to join the rear of the march.

There can therefore be **no guarantees** that people can join an allocated zone, but they will have more chance if they arrive promptly. Unions should therefore be careful in how they promote these form-up points to their members. Once an area is full, it's full.

Deciding how to allocate unions to the different zones is no easy task, and always disappoints some. As every union – public and private – has an interest in the march theme we are using size as the main determinant with the biggest unions at the front. But we also recognise that some unions want to march together on a sectoral basis and we are therefore facilitating a health specialists section and an entertainment union bloc.

<b>ORDER</b>	<b>Group</b>	
Front	Front Party	
A - C	Unite	
C-E	Unison	Overflow into Booth Street East if required which will be fed into main march by UNISON stewards
E -F	GMB	
F	USDAW	
G	TEACHING UNIONS	
H	HEALTH UNIONS	
BETWEEN H AND I	PCS	
I	CWU UCATT Community	
J	ENTERTAINMENT UNIONS	
K	OTHER UNIONS / STUDENTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE	
L	TRADES COUNCILS, PEOPLES ASSEMBLY , FEMINIST BLOC , CLIMATE BLOC	



**MANCHESTER, SUN 4TH OCT 2015**

-  RALLY ON OXFORD ROAD
-  FORM UP LETTERS ON LAMP POSTS ON OXFORD ROAD
-  MARCH ROUTE
-  TOILETS
-  STATIC FIRST AID POINTS
-  INFORMATION TENT AT END OF MARCH
-  APPROACH ROUTES TO THE RALLY
-  RETURN ROUTE FOR CITY CENTRE
-  ROUTE TO PARKED COACHES
-  COACH DROP OFF POINT BEFORE THE RALLY
-  COACH PARKING AT END OF THE MARCH