

WRYOA & WRCF Presents

# Celebrate Festival Whalley Range Cooperate

Build a better world

Saturday June 14th 2025, 12-6 pm  
Manley Park M16 0AN

Music, Installations & Performances,  
Stalls, Food & Drink, Inflatables,  
Arts & Crafts, Age-friendly and Health & Wellbeing activities  
Big Bike Revival repair & ride area

Full programme here-

<https://www.whalleyrange.org/whalley-range-celebrate/>

email: [celebratewhalleyrange@gmail.com](mailto:celebratewhalleyrange@gmail.com) // phone: 0161 881 3744

[whalleyrange.org](http://whalleyrange.org) // [wryoa.org](http://wryoa.org)

[@celebratefestivalwhalleyrange](https://www.facebook.com/celebratefestivalwhalleyrange)

Please leave your pets and alcohol at home and your bike at the park gates



MANCHESTER  
CITY COUNCIL





## Alexandra Medical Practice and Princess Road Surgery

Offering General Medical Services across both sites and welcome new patients

Long time supporters of Celebrate, aiming to bring all members of the community together to promote good health. Doctors and staff are working with the Clean Air stall at Celebrate.

Alexandra Medical Practice, 365 Wilbraham Road, Whalley Range, M16 8NG Tel: 0161 860 4400  
www.thealexandrapractice.nhs.uk

Princess Road Surgery, 471-475 Princess Road, Withington, M20 1BH Tel: 0161 445 7805  
www.princessroadsurgery.co.uk



## Let's Clean Our Air!



Get involved with our activities to make a big noise about clean air in Whalley Range.

Find us at Celebrate in the Sustainability Zone to help make one of our giant puppets.



**21 June Alexandra Park 2-4pm Clean air parade and picnic.**

Meet our giant puppets, parade round the park,  
join the picnic - bring food and a rug to sit on.



Find out more on our website <https://wrceag.org/clean-air-day>



### A & F HARDWARE

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Supporting Celebrate for 26 years!

264 Upper Chorlton Rd, Tel: 0161 860 0500



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**Celebrating 16 years in Whalley Range,  
launching at Celebrate Festival in 2009**

254 Upper Chorlton Road, 0161 881 1966  
[www.tibetankitchen.co.uk](http://www.tibetankitchen.co.uk)

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**YOUR LOCAL FAMILY RUN PHARMACY**

**involved with Celebrate for 28 years!**

**201 UPPER CHORLTON RD, WHALLEY RANGE**

**TEL: 0161 881 9800**



## Cooperate - Build a Better World



2025 is UN Year of Cooperatives and our festival theme this year is '**Cooperate – Build a Better World**'. We are celebrating diversity, and building stronger and more resilient community connections. We look forward to seeing how our artists, performers and stallholders explore these ideas!

This is the 28th Celebrate Festival and our principles remain the same. We bring together a wide range of community partners in Whalley Range to put on an exciting day of free activities celebrating the very best of our fantastic community, with a focus on fun, creativity and wellbeing, but also looking at serious issues.

### **The party started early!**

In the run up to the festival day our artists and musicians have been running workshops and staging performances in schools and community settings. Vibe Bombers started us off with a drumming workshop in Manley Park. Children at St Margaret's, Our Lady's and Manley Park wove a giant rug with Nayna Lad. At JNR8 Jive Prints offered collage and paper making, Karim Mbaye led percussion and drumming, Aysha Yilmaz ran two workshops in appliqué and embroidery, the Big Bike Revival fixed bikes and Happy Tuesdays played a warm up gig. At The Birdbox Lisa Murphy showed us how to Build a Toddler Neighbourhood and Jo Capstick invited us to Rewild a Toddler Neighbourhood. At St Margaret's Centre Carrie Williams ran a vocal workshop, Gulnaz Fatima made pipe cleaner flowers and Karim Mbaye ran a Senagalese drumming workshop. Tony Curry read poetry at Hibiscus Court, Sam Davies played for Polonia residents. Finally the Nip & Tipple hosted an Open Jam with Ben Price, Yemi Bolatiwa and John Diver.

### **The party isn't over!**

On Sunday 22nd June we're inviting residents in Whalley Range to hold street parties as a cooperative expression of the spirit of our community. That weekend is The Great Get Together in memory of the late Jo Cox and it's also the summer solstice! Events can take any form you like. We have some resources available to get you started and, if you like, your event will be visited by musicians, jugglers, storytellers and the like. So if you would like to keep the party going please get in touch with Erin at [celebratewhalleyrange@gmail.com](mailto:celebratewhalleyrange@gmail.com) – please put **Street Event – attention Erin** in the subject line

### **Celebrate Exhibition and Zine Launch**

An exhibition of all the fantastic work which has been produced in our community workshops will be held at JNR8 and in the church in July. Dates and times will be announced soon. There will also be a launch event for **The Nourish Zine** – a celebration in print and online of good food and cookery culture in Whalley Range. If your community group would like to contribute to the zine contact Georgina at [celebratewhalleyrange@gmail.com](mailto:celebratewhalleyrange@gmail.com) and put **Zine – attention Georgina** in the subject line

### **The Aims of Celebrate:**

- To celebrate the talent, diversity and resources of Whalley Range
- To promote a positive image and improve the quality of life in Whalley Range
- To encourage participation of different communities within the area and work from an anti-discriminatory framework

If you want to get involved with Celebrate, WRYOA or WRCF, contact us at:  
[celebratewhalleyrange@gmail.com](mailto:celebratewhalleyrange@gmail.com) or 0161 881 3744  
or pop into JNR8 Youth and Community Centre, 82 Cromwell Ave, M16 0BG

SESSIONS BY QUALIFIED MECHANICS, INSTRUCTORS AND RIDE LEADERS  
FOR ADULT BEGINNERS, IMPROVING OR RETURNING TO CYCLING

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The  
**BIG BIKE**  
Revival



FREE!

As part of the Big Bike Revival, Time to Change, with Bike Hive from Alexandra Park, are delivering FIX and LEARN TO FIX and LEARN TO RIDE sessions at: Celebrate Festival, in Manley Park School (York Avenue), Manley Park, 12-5pm



Contact Carol on 07788 855544 or see FaceBook 'Big Bike Revival Whalley Range'



A modern South Asian canteen serving bold, honest flavours inspired by home cooking and vibrant street food. Enjoy a daily-changing menu of wholesome curries, fresh sides, and signature Thai-style meals with meat, veg., and vegan options. Where comfort food meets contemporary canteen culture.

209 Upper Chorlton Road, Whalley Range  
Contact: Info@Kaana.co.uk



We thank our 2025 Co-op partner for their continued support by donating resources, providing space for activities and food for our volunteers.

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*Celebrate welcomes Café Bembe as a festival partner and as a vibrant community hub, hosting community events as well as family celebrations.*

*First Swahili micro bakery in Alex Park.*

*Unique brunch, pastries, cake,  
fresh bread for sale.*



*Follow on Instagram.*



*The Pavilion. Alexandra Park,  
Whalley Range M16 8PJ*

## Acknowledgements

The festival is run by volunteers from the community, staff and volunteers from Whalley Range Youth Opportunities Association, and Whalley Range Community Forum.

We are grateful for the professional assistance of our project coordinators and artists.

Festival Coordinator: **Jess Coulson**  
Music Programmer: **Verity Gardner**



### Health & Wellbeing and Age-friendly marquee stalls, activities and info. include:

- **KPS Pharmacy** health awareness and checks including blood pressure, and BMI
- **Answer Cancer:** information on Tuberculosis and Cancer
- **Sickle Cell Manchester:** Support and raising awareness of blood donation
- **Glaucoma UK:** raising awareness within African Caribbean communities.
- **Chorlton & Whalley Range Dementia Action Group:** raising awareness and making our area a better place for people with dementia
- **Smoking Cessation:** helpful information about stopping smoking
- Hand and arm massage from **Loha Angel Hands**
- Chair exercise, Tai Chi for balance and mobility
- Intergenerational art & craft- Applique & embroidery workshop with Ayesha
- Information stalls throughout the park - what's happening in Whalley Range?



### In the Arts n Crafts tent... Fun, creative activities perfect for any age.

- **Gulnaz Fatima** crafting flowers of the world
- Cooperate badge making with **Lotte Karlsen**
- Making with nature with **Thea Luckock**
- Textile weaving with **Nayna Lad**
- **Georgina Fox** make your own zine
- Clay sculpting with **Rainbows**
- Face painting and Henna with **Sunita**



### In the Park... Explore the park filled with fantastic things to do, buy, and try.

- **Whalley Range Clean Air** will be making giant puppets for the parade in Alex Park next Saturday in the Sustainability Zone
- Learn about and support coops in the **Coop Zone!**
- **The Mobile Advice Centre (MAC)** will be providing FREE advice and support from trained YES energy advisors. Can you save money on your bills?
- Inflatables and Climbing Wall
- Lots of information stalls - what's happening in Whalley Range?
- Delicious food from **Kaana** and fair-trade tea and coffees from **Coffee Cranks**
- Or treat yourself to an **Exclusive Scoop** ice cream!



### BIG Bike Revival Area - Manley Park School (infants Playground)

Free bike advice, Fix, Learn to Fix and Learn to ride sessions,  
Try out children's balance bikes, adult bikes, Teresa the TRISHAW and Drum Happy  
Manley Park Infants Playground, York Avenue right next door to the park!

We prefer bikes not to be taken / ridden in the park,  
they can be locked in the bike area.





# What's going on at



Youth & Community Centre

Whalley Range Community Forum  
JNR8 - 0161 881 3744  
<https://whalleyrange.org>



Whalley Range Community Forum is a representative voluntary organisation for residents of Whalley Range.

The Age-friendly Whalley Range and Chorlton steering group hold meetings and social information events to engage with older people to identify and address priorities.

Daily advice, signposting, foodbank referrals  
Mondays

11-12:30pm Whalley Range Women's Group

1-2:30pm Creative Conversations craft and chat group

Tuesdays

12-2pm JNR8 50+ music group

2:15-3pm Chair exercise for mobility

Wednesdays

10-11am Women's Keep Fit

11:45-1:30pm Leg Up club: support/social for people with health conditions/isolation

2-3pm Age-friendly cuppa

Thursdays

11:30-1pm Spanish group

Fridays

10-1pm Community Hub:

Tea & toast/soup, support and chat

1-2 pm Boost resilience (call to book)

Contact details:

[communityforumwhalleyrange@gmail.com](mailto:communityforumwhalleyrange@gmail.com)

[agefriendlywhalleyrange@gmail.com](mailto:agefriendlywhalleyrange@gmail.com)

## Fridays - Time to Change

Mental Wellbeing Social Group- 5 till 7pm

Call Carol for more info on 07788 855544

### Supporting Mental Health

Come along and join us in:  
cooking/eating, pool, live music,  
and some good conversation.

Promoting positive messages!



let's end mental health discrimination

## WHIZ Youth Project Ages 11-19 years

Facilitating the personal, social and educational development of young people



**Monday - Girls Group** *The 'girls only' group is back!*  
Come along and tell us what you'd like to see happening

**Tuesday - Muay Thai Boxing + In house activities**

**Wednesday - Healthy Eating + Arts workshops**

**Thursday - Fitness Session + In house activities**

In-house activities: Pool, PS4, Board Games, Basket ball, Table Tennis, Art & Crafts, AND... much more!



WHALLEY RANGE YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES ASSOCIATION  
Charity No. 12286

- Volunteering Opportunities

- One to One Support

- Outdoor Activities

0161 881 3744 - CV/ Job Application support

[www.wryoa.org](http://www.wryoa.org) - Group Workshops

## JNR8 PLAY SCHEME

WRYOA's fantastic play scheme runs during school holidays, for children ages 6-12yrs old.

Looking forward to the Summer holidays!  
29th July till 22nd August (Tues-Fri)



## Community on Solid Ground Youth Club

Ages 8-19 years



Every Saturday 6:00-9:00pm

[www.yosg.org.uk](http://www.yosg.org.uk), 0161 862 0955

### THANK YOU for ongoing support and contributions to:

Manchester City Council  
The National Lottery Community Fund  
Community on Solid Ground  
Alexandra Medical Practice

Cycling UK  
The Cooperative  
MSV Kindness Fund  
Age Friendly Whalley Range



## MAIN STAGE

- 12:00-12:50 **Chorlton Rock Out School** - (showcase for local youngsters)
- 13:00-13:15 **St. Margarets Choir** - Angelic voices from local primary school
- 13:25-13:50 **Room 107** - unique interpretations of Jazz standards
- 13:50-14:20 **Thai Boxing Demonstration** - WRIOA-Whiz Youth Project
- 14:30-14:50 **Man.Lyk.Ess** - Performing a few of his latest and up coming hip-hop/garage releases from Spynal Records.
- 15:10-15:40 **Poppycock** - cocky pop, haunting, funny and deadly serious
- 15:45-16:30 **Celebrate Jam**- Local music heroes come together for Celebrate
- 16:35-16:45 **Raffle draw** - lots of prizes (see below)
- 17:00-17:30 **Krin** - Senegalese percussion and electronica



## Jo Rose Stage



- 12:30-12:45 **Tony Curry** - Poet - presenting fresh local talent
- 12:50-13:10 **Jennifer Dala** - a blend of soul, alternative indie, folk and jazz
- 13:05-13:15 **Tony Curry** - Poet - presenting fresh local talent
- 13:20-13:45 **What Scarlet Sees** - Jazzy vocals, soft rock singer songwriter
- 13:50-14:05 **Tony Curry** - Poet - presenting fresh local talent
- 14:10-14:40 **Matt Bierrum** - psychedelic stories from an unreal city
- 14:45-15:00 **Tony Curry** - Poet - presenting fresh local talent
- 15:00-15:30 **Shelli Le Fay** - Ethereal folk from a woodland mystic
- 15:30-15:45 **Tony Curry** - Poet - presenting fresh local talent
- 15:45-16:15 **Chia Kali** - Jazzy soulful sounds
- 16:15-16:30 **Tony Curry** - Poet - presenting fresh local talent
- 16:45-17:10 **Cave Man** - Hiphop Storytime combines live beatmaking, rap and poetry together into a journey through space and time.

### RAFFLE PRIZES

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| Kanaa South Asian Canteen- meal for two | Box 'Oh My Dates' vegan choc. dates     |
| Café Bembe 'Tea for Two' voucher        | Black leather shoulder bag (John Lewis) |
| Tibetan Kitchen meal voucher            | Bottle Three Barrels French Brandy      |
| Unicorn Grocery Vouchers                | Bottle of Prosecco                      |



**Photographs and videos** will be taken around the site by various people, throughout the day for monitoring and promotion purposes.

# MAP

MANLEY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL  
BIG BIKE REVIVAL  
FIX AND RIDE SESSIONS  
PLUS  
RIDES ON TERESA THE TRISHAW

TOILETS

ENTRANCE

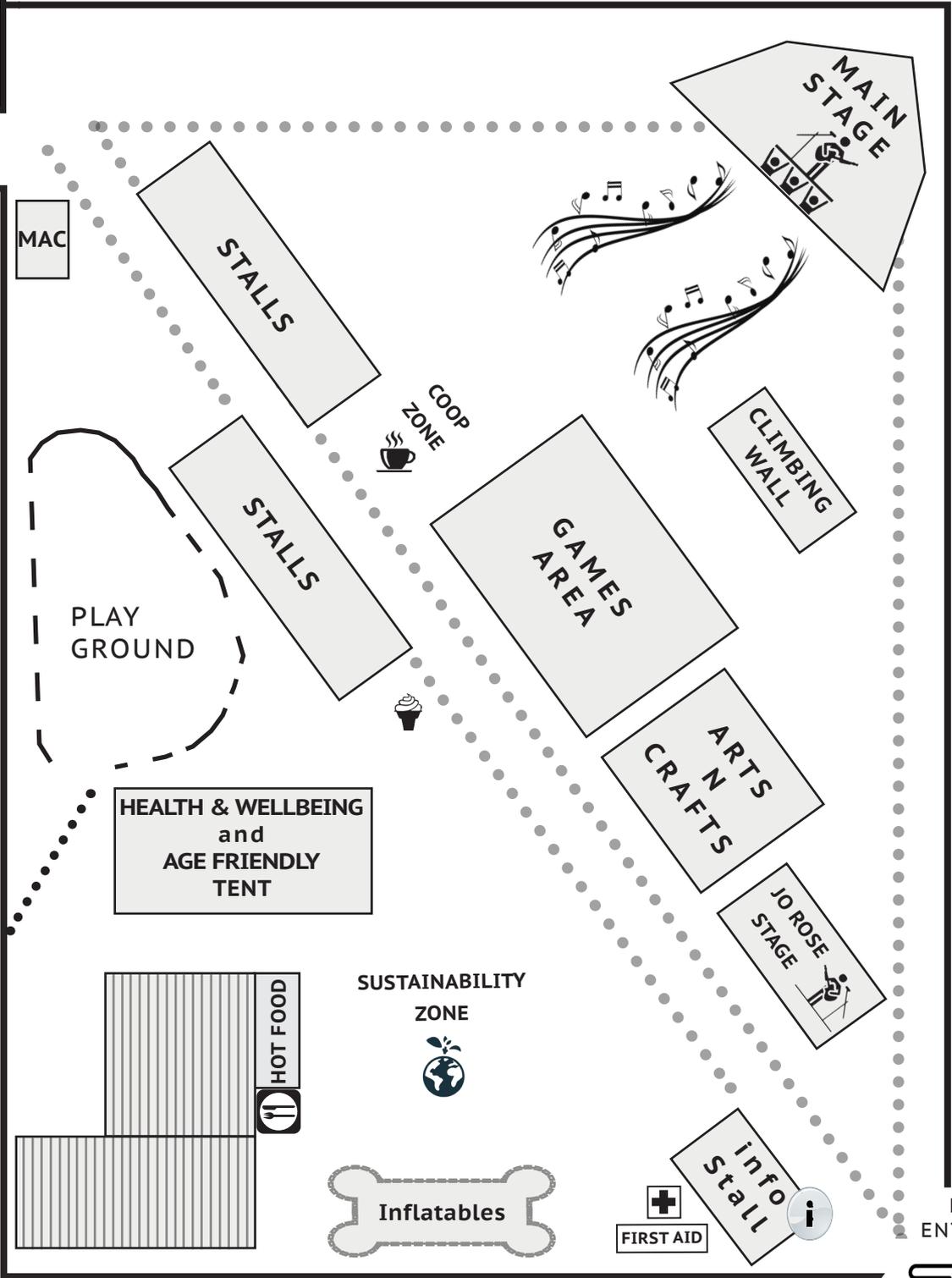


ENTRANCE



FIRE ENGINE

YORK AVENUE



MAIN ENTRANCE



CLARENDON ROAD