

Getting to the Conference

Chester is a beautiful, historical city with many attractions and good transport links. Useful information about where to stay in Chester and to plan your visit can be found on the Visit Cheshire website: [Link to Visit Cheshire Website](#)

The conference venue is:

Chester Zoo

Upton-by-Chester, Chester, CH2 1EU.

To attend the conference, delegates will need to enter through the Main Zoo entrance.

Travelling by car:

There is free parking onsite at the main entrance. Additional accessible parking is available but must be booked, please email Poppy/Rebecca on awrn-manager@bristol.ac.uk

For Sat Nav, use CH2 1EU to main entrance. Follow the signs to Chester until you see the brown tourist zoo signs. Brown tourist signs from M56 Junction 14 or M53 Junction 12, or Chester City Centre. Once you get onto the A41, stay on that road until you reach a roundabout with signs for Chester Zoo. Please note: Don't turn down Flag Lane North as it's a dead end. For anyone driving an electric vehicle there are 26 car charging points with a Type 2 universal socket.



Travelling by public transport:

Airport (Check if you need a UK Visa)

The closest airport is Liverpool John Lennon (around 1 hour 30 minutes travel by public transport to Chester Zoo) and Manchester airport is also relatively close (around 1 hour 40 minutes).

By train

Technically, the nearest train station is Bache (take bus 1 from there to the zoo), however, for most people, it will be easiest to use the direct bus links from Chester train station (bus X1 or 1).

By bus

Stagecoach buses X1 and 1 go from Chester City Centre and Liverpool City Centre direct to the zoo.

Buses are every ~15 minutes. From Chester the earliest bus arrives at the zoo at 08:23am, and the last bus leaves at 18:40.

<https://www.stagecoachbus.com/promos-and-offers/merseyside-and-south-lancashire/stagecoach-service-1---x1>

International Visitors

Delegates who are not British or Irish citizens will likely need either a Visa or an electronic travel authorisation (ETA) in order to enter the UK.

You can easily check which you need using the simple form here: [Check if you need a UK visa](#)

Further information about both ETA's and Visas can be found on the UK Government website:

<https://www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration/tourist-short-stay-visas>

Places to Stay

The zoo is on the outskirts of the city and it can be hard to find hotels within walking distance, therefore we wanted to remind you to consider transport links when booking your accommodation for the event. There are lots of hotels listed on the [Visit Cheshire website](#) the list below just illustrates a few of the options available at a range of prices.

All prices are estimates based on a search done on 18th June and are for one person for one night.

Hotels near Chester Zoo

[The Reserve at Chester Zoo](#) (with views of the giraffe enclosure) - £234

[Premier Inn Chester Central North](#) - £74

[Travelodge Chester Warrington Road](#) - £60

[Doubletree by Hilton Hotel and Spa](#) - £74

Hotels in the centre of Chester

[Holiday Inn Express Chester - Racecourse](#) - £69

[Hotel Indigo Chester by IHG](#) - £126

[Travelodge Chester Central](#) - £50

Hotels near the train station

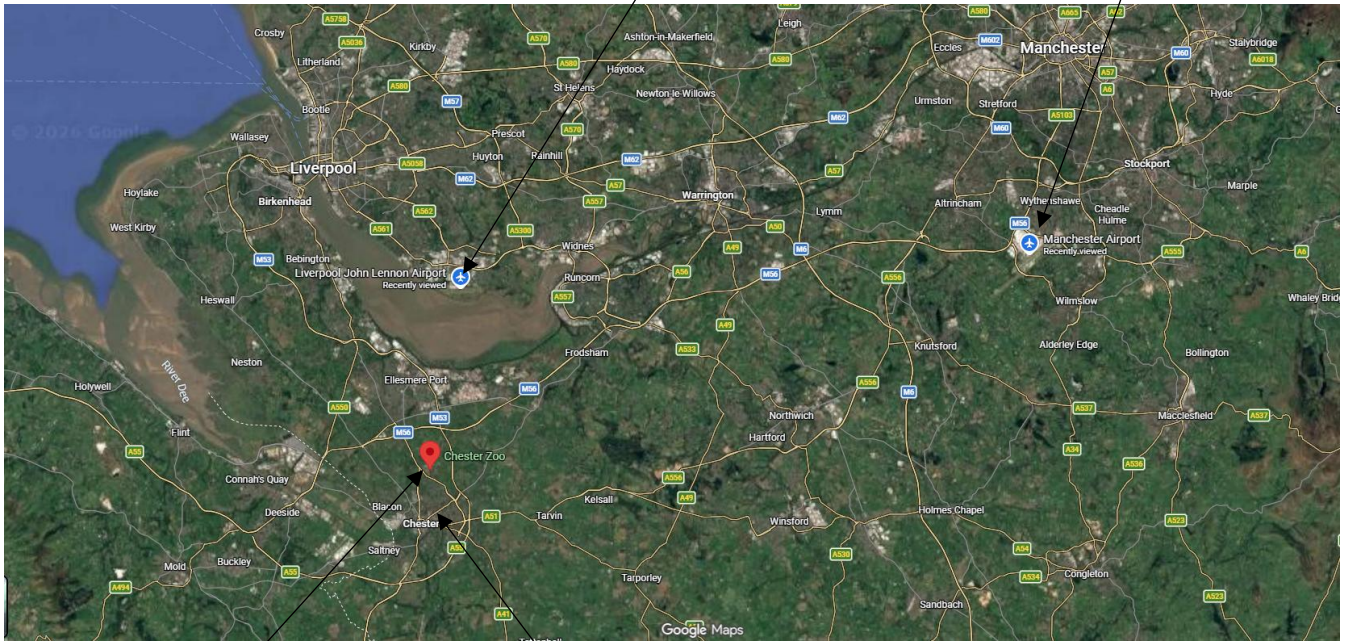
[The Queen at Chester Hotel](#) - £58

[Premier Inn Chester \(Railway Station\)](#) - £69

Transport Links Around Chester

Liverpool John Lennon Airport

Manchester Airport

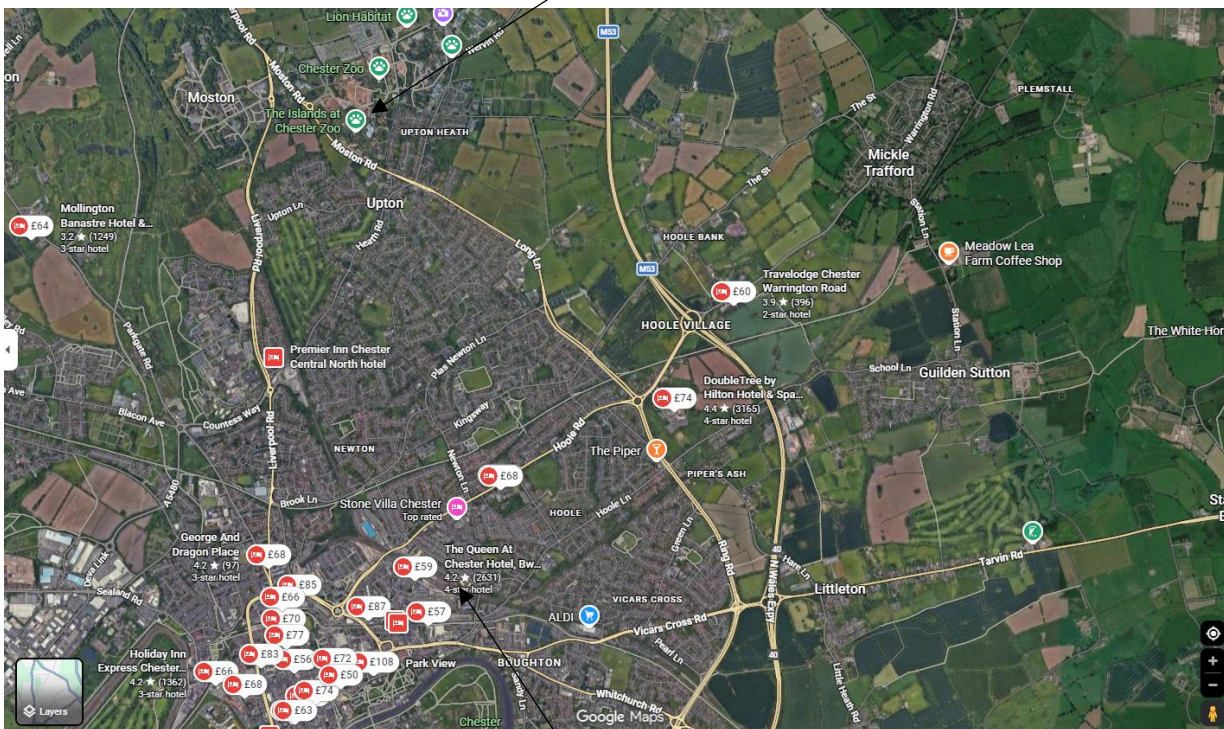


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