



Moor Street to Science Museum Hop

Take a step-free stroll from Birmingham Moor St to the ThinkTank Science Museum. Follow little prompts and explore urban nature as you go.

Distance 1.9 kilometers / 1.2 miles

Duration 25 minutes



Wheel friendly



Refreshments



Public transport



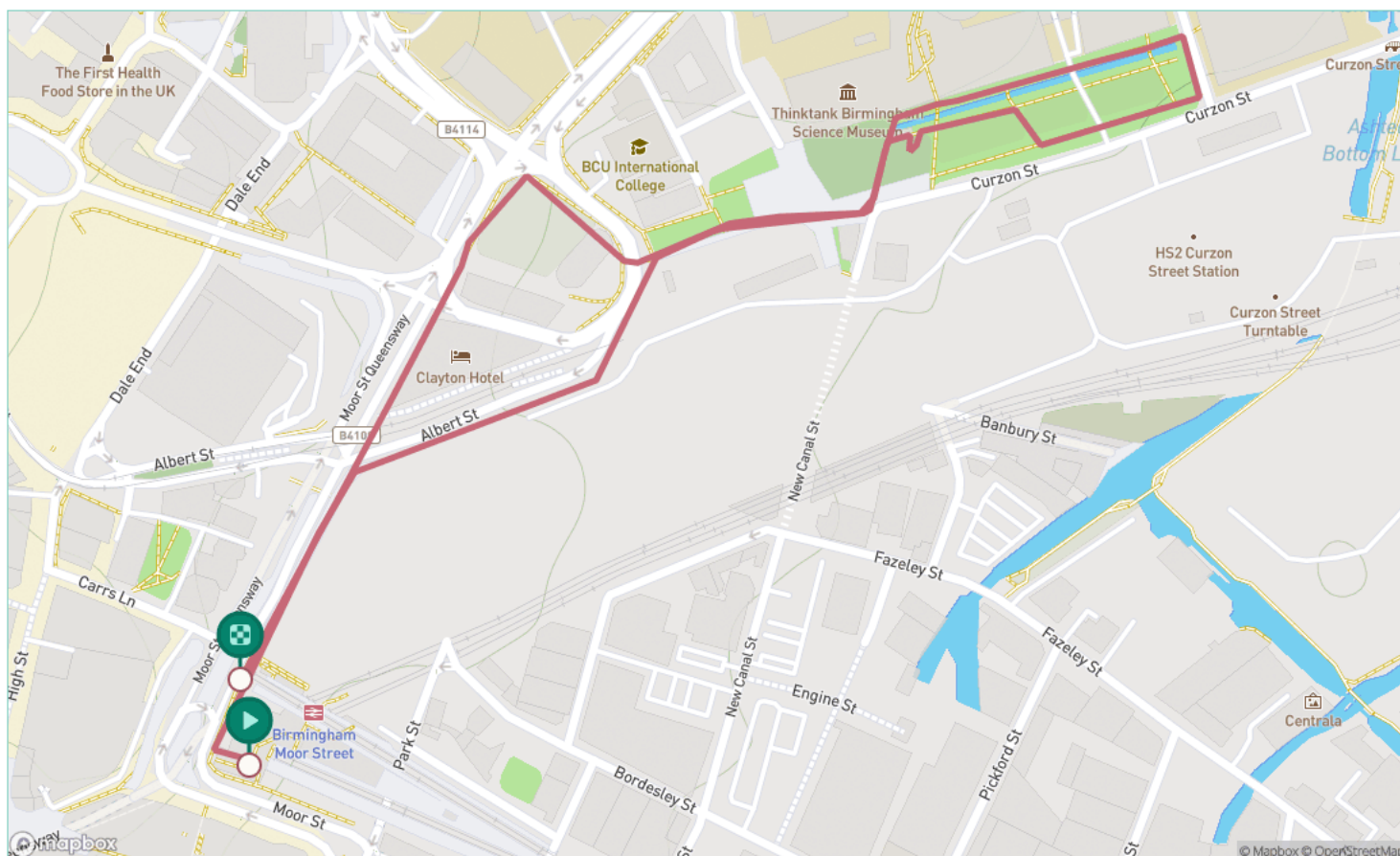
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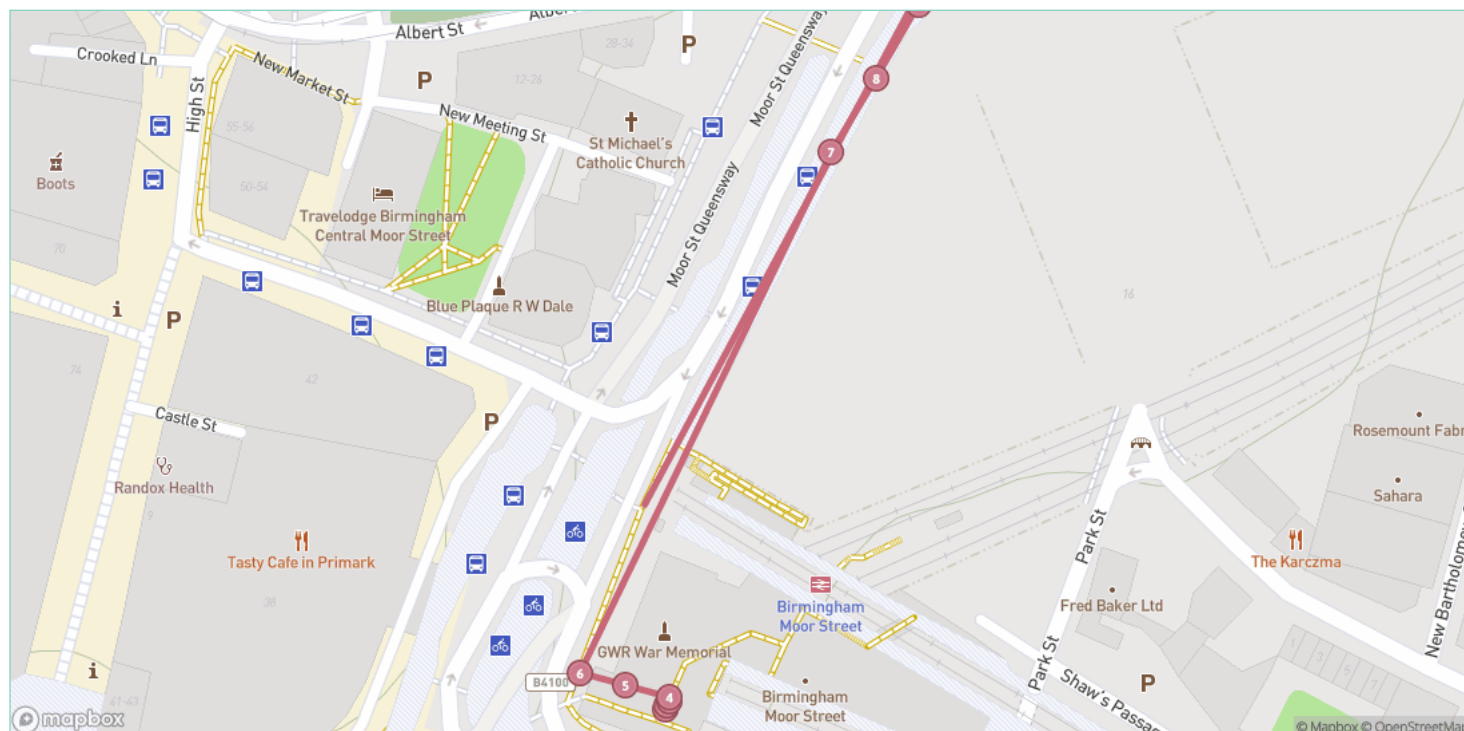


Paid-for attraction



Child friendly





Step 1: This whistle-stop kid-friendly walk begins at Birmingham Moor Street station and takes you to the ThinkTank Science Museum and back.

Step 7: This area is undergoing a big transformation for a new railway line, it may look different when you do the walk!

Step 2: Moor Street station opened in 1909 and has been lovingly restored to look just as it did in the 1930s, keep an eye out for the old-fashioned lamps and vintage signs. It's a bit like stepping into a time machine!

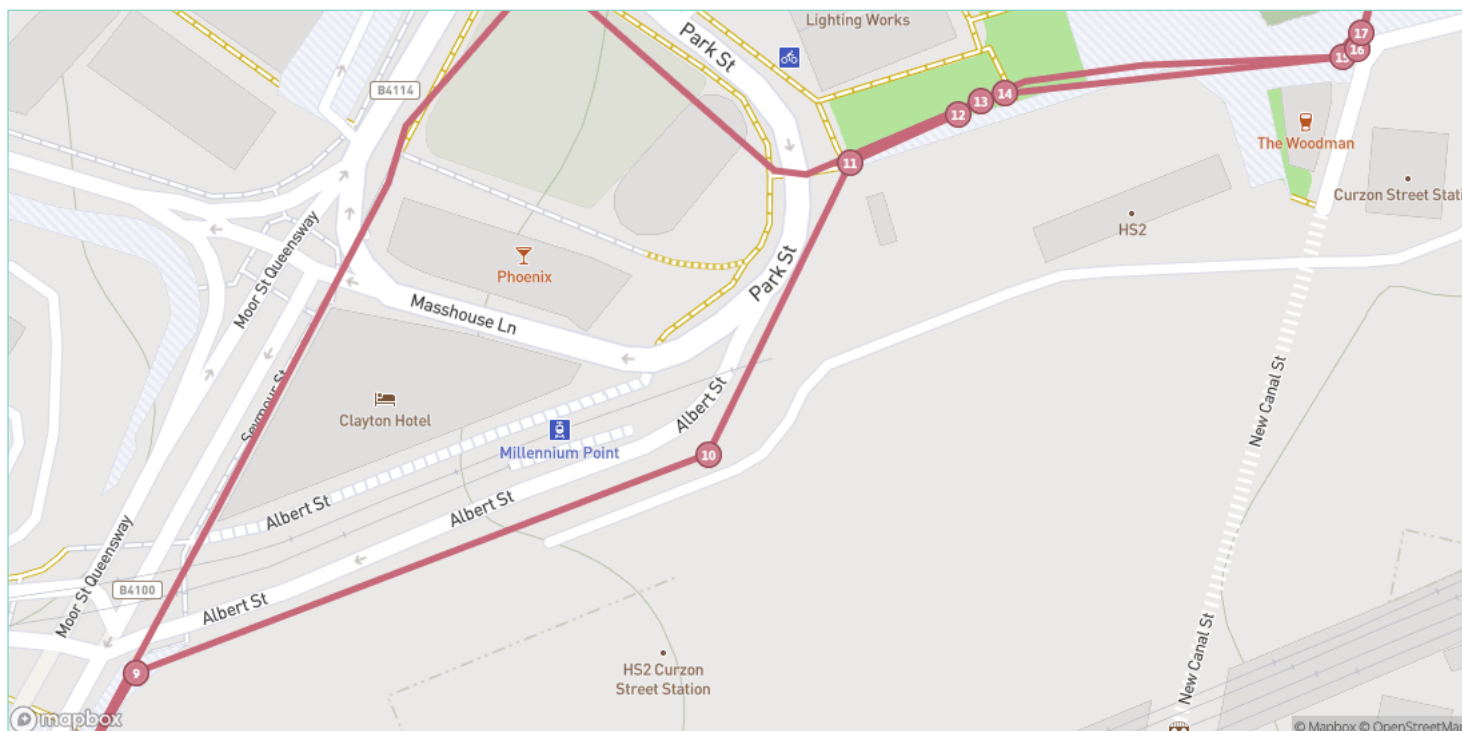
Step 8: Soon trains will be able to zoom along at up to 225 miles per hour, that's very fast! 🚆 Did you know that the bird of prey, peregrine falcons, can go roughly that speed when diving to catch food.

Step 3: Don't miss the station Centenary Lounge cafe. We come back this way so now or later is fine. 😊

Step 4: Can you find this Shakespeare in the station? Have a little wander.

Step 5: Trains that run along this railway call it the Shakespeare Line. Why? It goes all the way to Stratford-upon-Avon. The town where the famous writer, William Shakespeare was born more than 450 years ago.

Step 6: Exit the station and turn right onto Moor St and continue straight for a couple of minutes.



Step 9: Turn right onto Albert St.

Step 10: Bear left to follow the road, which becomes Park St.

Step 11: Turn right into this tree-lined path.

Step 12: Can you spot the silver birch trees here? Are you able to reach the bark to give it a touch?

Step 13: Look closely and see how the white bark peels off the birch in thin strips. Long ago, people used to write on these strips like paper! 📝

Step 14: You'll soon pass these big structures made from steel. Look closely, the pattern inspired by nature and looks like the surface of a leaf.

Step 15: Head towards this big old building to get a closer look. Can you guess what it once was?

Step 16: Curzon Street Station is an old railway station, it will soon become part of a brand new station 🏠



Step 17: Curzon Street was the very first railway terminus serving the centre of Birmingham. Passengers in top hats and long dresses would have stood right where you're standing now. Train travel was very glamorous. 🚂

Step 18: Now let's head into Eastside City Park.

Step 19: Eastside City Park is one of Birmingham's newest parks, officially opened in 2013. It offers a moment of green in a journey through the city, for brummies and visitors alike. Let's explore! 🌳

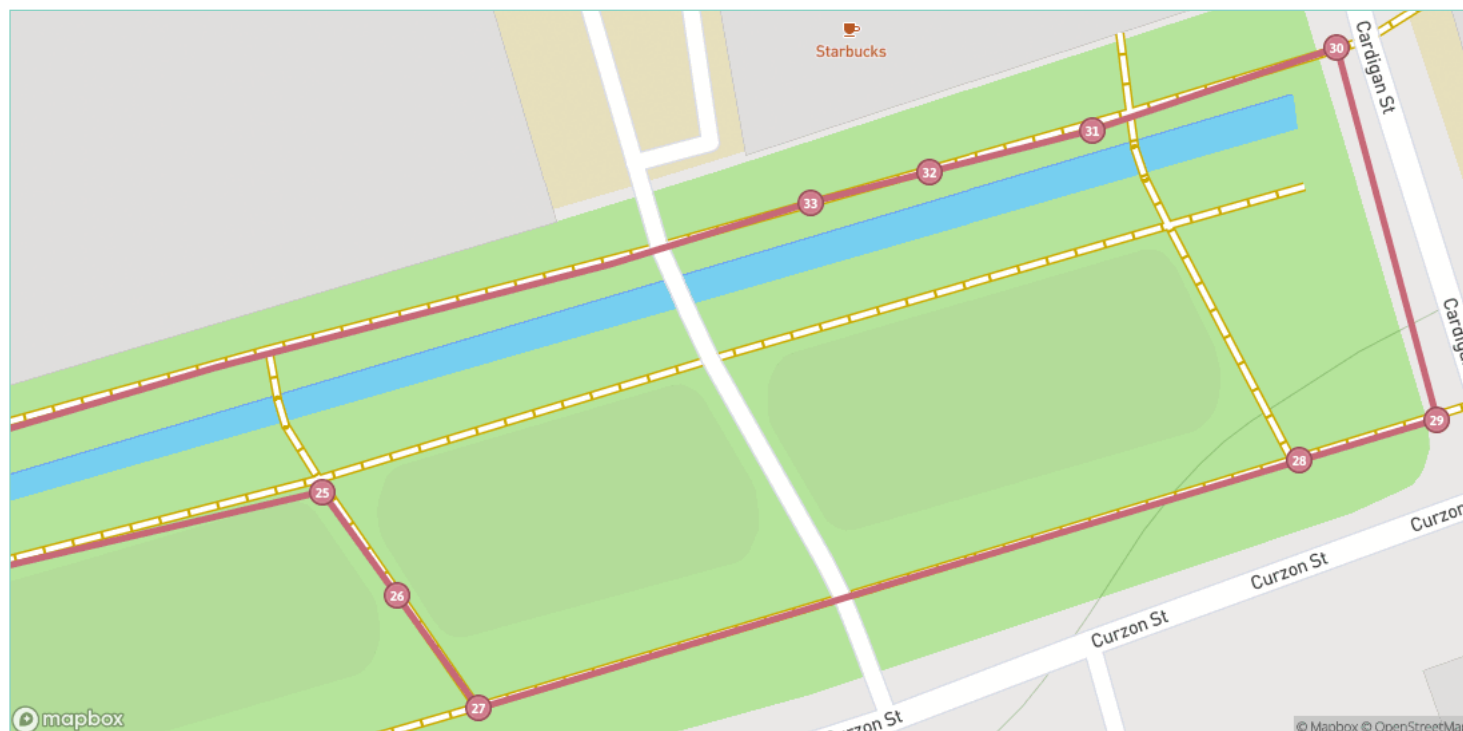
Step 20: Turn right into the park once you reach the Signal box cafe. It's a nod to the railway nearby.

Step 21: You'll soon reach a kids park on your right. It's a great place to stop for a play break.

Step 22: What are these curious objects? Go and explore. Use your voice or make a sound when you're there.

Step 23: These are sound ears. You can whisper into one dish while someone listens at the other. The curved shape gathers up your whisper and beams it across the playground. How cool!

Step 24: Let's continue through the park. Can you see any flowers growing, do they smell nice?



Step 25: Now take the first right.

Step 26: The park is planted with hundreds of trees. Can you find three different leaf shapes and describe them? Pointy, round, or long? 🌿

Step 27: Turn left to go under a wooden pergola. Is there anything growing on or around it?

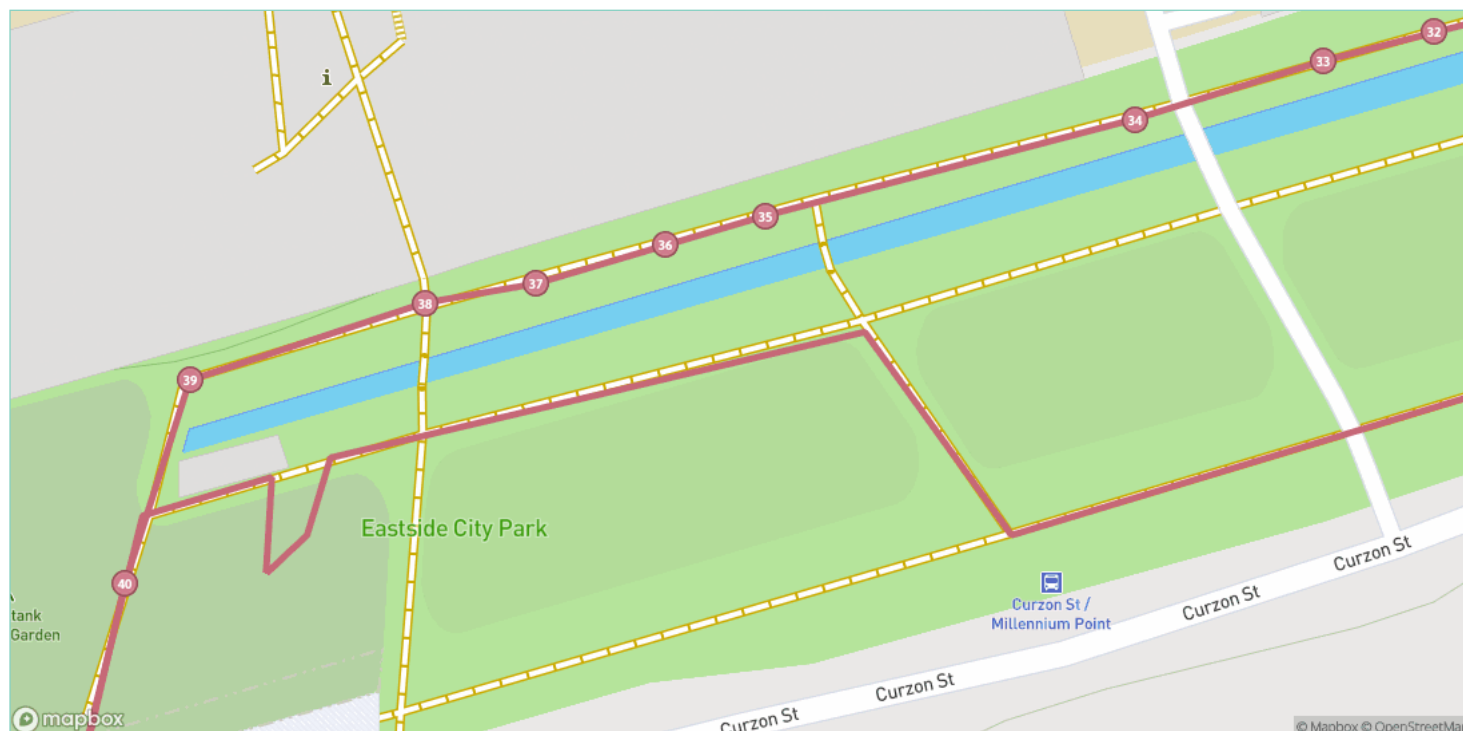
Step 28: In front of you is Birmingham City University. What is the animal on the side of the building? Can you see it?

Step 29: Turn left at the next side road, we're going to turn left again to head back into the park.

Step 30: Let's explore this side of the park now.

Step 31: Can you find any student artwork on display here? Do you have a favourite?

Step 32: There are some interesting shaped benches all along this path. Can you find one that looks like this? It looks good for lying on doesn't it!



Step 33: How about this shape? It's great for sitting and facing each other.

Step 34: Continue ahead with the trees on your left and buildings on your right.

Step 35: You could head into the Millenium Point building towards the ThinkTank Science Museum. In summer it's open daily 10am - 5pm. Fees may apply.

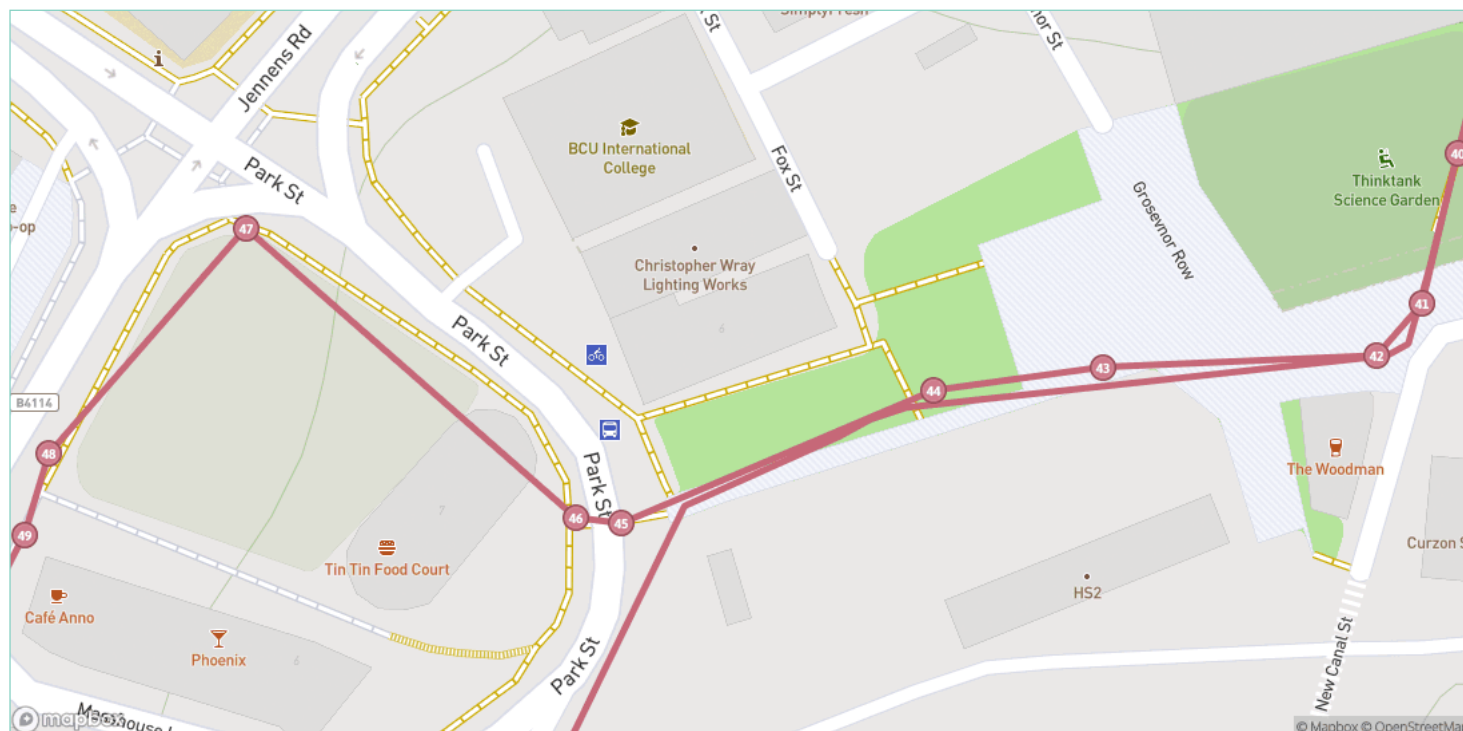
Step 36: If you like, step inside and turn left to reach the museum or skip to Step 37.

Step 37: The museum features four floors of hands-on displays, a 4K planetarium, and an outdoor science garden.

Step 38: Head back outside the building and turn right.

Step 39: If you fancy a snack there's another cafe here too.

Step 40: Can you find some small hedges here. Why not run through them like a maze?



Step 41: When you're ready, turn right once you exit the park. The Woodman pub will be on your left.

Step 48: Look out for this curious stone on your left. How did it get there?! Any ideas?

Step 42: Can you spot the little red-brick pub near the old station? That's The Woodman, built in 1897. It's a real survivor. Steam trains, demolitions and now a whole new railway next door: through it all, it hasn't budged.

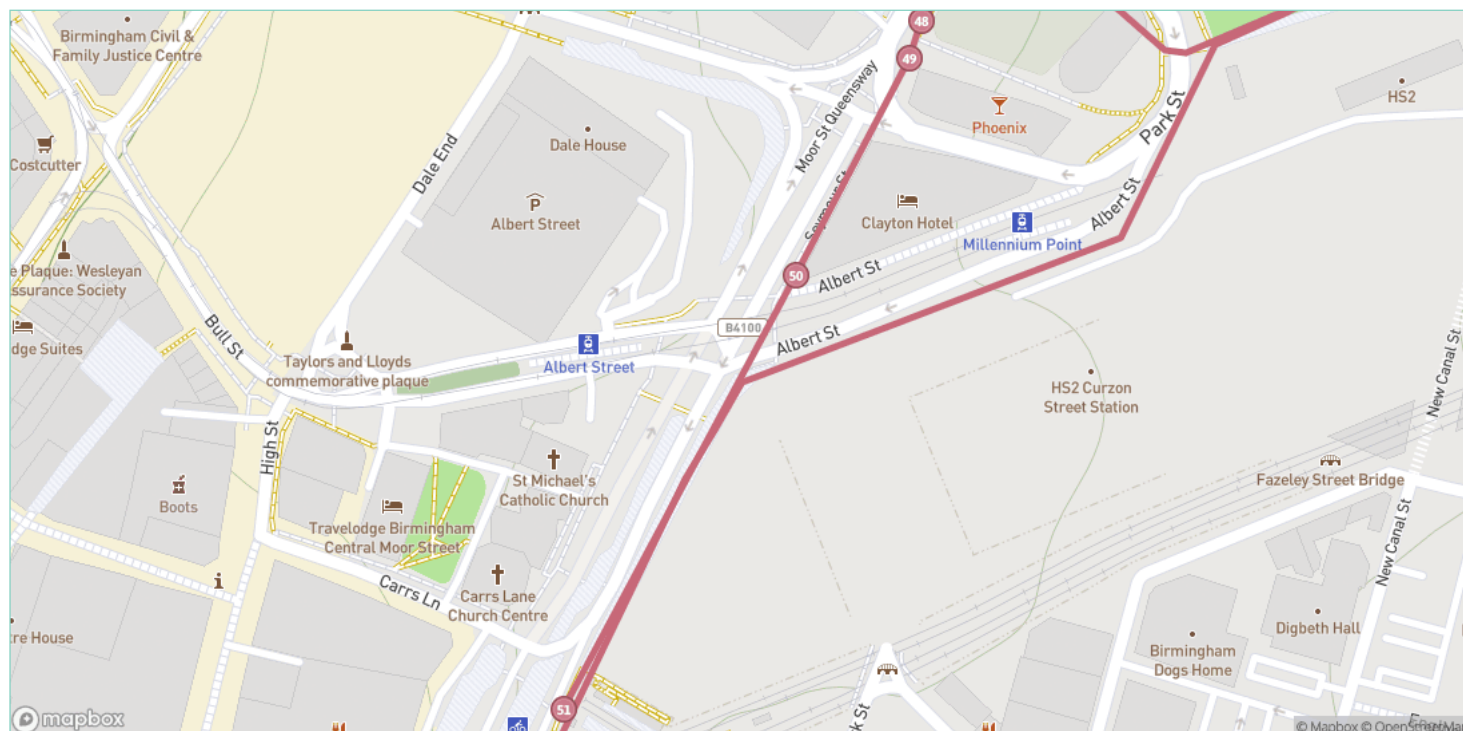
Step 43: Now head back down the path back towards Park St.

Step 44: Keep looking out for flowers and nature around you. Do you have a favourite flower or leaf? 🌿

Step 45: Cross Park St at the pedestrian crossing and turn right.

Step 46: Continue on Park St as it bends to the left.

Step 47: Continue with a green space on your left.



Step 49: Continue straight onto Seymour St.

Step 50: Continue straight and cross the road. We are heading back towards the station.

Step 51: You'll soon reach Birmingham Moor St where the walk ends. We hope you enjoyed this whistle-stop kid-friendly walk. Come back soon!