



### What happens next?

Over the next few months the Big Lottery Fund will study all 23 bids in detail. In November 2007 they will announce which projects will receive £25m. If Irwell City Park is successful, there will be more opportunities for you to give your views and get involved in the final designs for the park.

**If you would like more information, or want to give your message of support for Irwell City Park, please visit [www.irwellcitypark.info](http://www.irwellcitypark.info)**



### What you said about Irwell City Park

Just over 1500 people gave their thoughts and ideas at one of over 50 consultation events and activities.

**84% of the people who completed questionnaires felt it was important to improve the river and surrounding area.**

**Here are some of things that people want Irwell City Park to do:**

- Connect communities and create greater community cohesion and pride
- Be a safe, well maintained green environment
- Provide new leisure and recreational activities to encourage people to visit and use the area
- Improve community health and wellbeing
- Enhance the educational opportunities in the area
- Be accessible to everyone
- Provide appropriate facilities such as seating and toilets
- Improve the environment and conserve wildlife
- Create new pedestrian and commuter routes linking Salford, Manchester and Trafford
- Enhance and promote the rich heritage of the river and surrounding area.



Irwell City Park will begin at Salford Quays and continue past the Imperial War Museum North, Manchester United Football Club and Ordsall Hall through Castlefield and Manchester city centre, past The Lowry Hotel, Manchester Cathedral and Salford University and finish at The Meadows in Salford. The bid is one of 23 UK projects competing for £25m funding from the Big Lottery Fund's Living Landmarks programme.

Earlier this year we staged a major public consultation exercise to provide as many people as possible with the chance to find out more about the park and give their ideas and comments. This leaflet outlines how your feedback helped to shape the designs, provides details of the final proposals and information on what happens next.

### Irwell City Park The countdown begins!

Salford, Manchester and Trafford have submitted the final bid to the Big Lottery Fund for Irwell City Park, a new and exciting urban park that will transform 8km of riverside into an accessible, attractive and vibrant waterfront for local people to enjoy.



**— New continuous pedestrian route**

**ZONE 1: The Meadows**

Transforming one of the largest green spaces in the North West to include - a new ecology park, excellent play facilities and a visitor centre.



University of Salford

**ZONE 2: Anaconda**

A new riverside commuter and leisure route.



Manchester Cathedral

**ZONE 6: The Quays**

A new footbridge will create better access to the park for local people, improving connectivity to this dynamic waterfront leisure, cultural and employment hub.



**Salford**

**ZONE 4: Castlefield**

Improving access to this historic district and to the Museum of Science and Industry.



Lowry Hotel

**ZONE 3: Heart of the City**

A new active city centre location that opens up the riverside and Cathedral areas reconnecting Manchester and Salford with two new stunning footbridges and new high quality public spaces.



Beetham Tower



**ZONE 5: Pomona/Ordsall**

Linking Ordsall Hall to the river again, this area will become the focus for water based recreational activities.



The Lowry

Imperial War Museum

Trafford

MUFC

Manchester



**What will Irwell City Park look like?**

The design of Irwell City Park reflects the needs and aspirations of local people and businesses and builds on the things people said they wanted in the consultation.

The new park will provide a safe, continuous green route for pedestrians and cyclists along an 8km stretch of the Irwell from Salford Quays to The Meadows. There will be exciting new public spaces, better access to the riverside, improved lighting and signage, five stunning new bridges and lots of new events and activities that will help to connect people with places and opportunities.

**Irwell City Park Zones**

Along the route, the park will be divided into six zones, each with its own character and facilities.

