

# GNPT Factsheet

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## Number 1: How to get to Chester

Thank you for registering for the Global Network for Public Theology conference 2013, *The Word and the World: Public Theology in an age of Global Media*.

Between now and the start of the consultation, we will be issuing a number of factsheets in preparation for our meeting.

This sheet gives guidance on travel and transport to Chester and the Riverside campus of the University. It also includes some information about the city itself, its attractions and advice on booking accommodation for the conference.

## Travelling to Chester by Air

**Manchester International Airport** is 30 miles from Chester and can be reached in 40 minutes by road or 90 minutes by rail.

Liverpool Airport is 25 miles from Chester and can be reached in 35 minutes by road or 80 minutes by rail from Liverpool South Parkway.

If you are arriving into London Heathrow, Gatwick or Stansted, you can take express coach or rail services into central London (Euston mainline station) and transfer to Chester by rail.

## Travelling to Chester by Rail

Chester is well-served by the railway network and has frequent, fast rail links to London and major cities in the U.K.

**Journey times are:**

**London Euston** 2 hours 10 minutes

**Birmingham New Street** 1 hour 45 mins

**Manchester** 1 hour

**Eurostar** trains from mainland Europe arrive at London St. Pancras, from where it is a short walk or tube ride to London Euston.



## Websites of the mainline rail companies

**Virgin (London Euston to Chester)**

<http://www.virgintrains.co.uk>

**Arriva (Manchester & North Wales to Chester)**

<http://www.arrivatrainswales.co.uk/Home.aspx#>

**Trainline (national and international tickets and times, including Eurostar)**

## CHESTER TOURIST INFORMATION

<http://www.visitchester.com>

<http://www.visitchester.com/info-and-downloads/vistor-information-centres>



## Accommodation

**Travelodge Chester Central St John Street:**

<http://www.travelodge.co.uk/hotels/367/Chester-Central-hotel>

Advance rates: from £24-39 per night , Breakfast £7.65

**Grosvenor Place Guest House**

<http://www.grosvenorplacechester.co.uk/>

Double/twin rooms £65.00 per night, Single £39.00 incl. breakfast

**Holiday Inn Express Chester**

<http://www.hiexpress.com/hotels/us/en/chester/chehr/hoteldetail>

Advance rates: £55-65 per night B&B

## Conference Venue

We will be based for most of the conference (apart from our excursions to MediaCityUK and Gladstone's Library) at the splendid new Riverside Innovation Centre at the University of Chester's city centre site by the banks of the River Dee.



**Riverside Innovation Centre,  
Castle Drive, Chester, CH1 1SL**

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**<http://www.chester.ac.uk/the-riverside-innovation-centre>**

