



# INTERNATIONAL CREATIVE RESEARCH METHODS CONFERENCE

## Travel and Accommodation Guide

### Getting to The Studio:

#### On Foot

- **From Manchester City Centre:** The Hive is in the **Northern Quarter**, a short walk from key city landmarks like Piccadilly Gardens and Manchester Piccadilly Station.
- Approx. **5–10 minutes** walking from most central locations.

#### By Train

- **Nearest Mainline Station:**  
**Manchester Piccadilly Station** (0.5 miles away / ~10–12 mins walk)
  - Direct connections to/from London, Birmingham, Liverpool, Leeds, Glasgow, and more.
  - Taxis and buses available outside the station.
- **Alternative Stations Nearby:**
  - **Manchester Victoria Station** (~15 mins walk)
  - **Oxford Road Station** (~15–18 mins walk)

#### By Tram (Metrolink)

- **Closest Tram Stops:**
  - **Piccadilly Gardens Stop** (~5 mins walk)  
Served by multiple lines including:
    - Altrincham ↔ Bury
    - East Didsbury ↔ Rochdale
    - Manchester Airport ↔ Victoria
  - **Market Street Stop** (~7 mins walk)
  - **Shudehill Stop** (~8 mins walk)

## By Bus

- **Closest Bus Stops:**
  - **Piccadilly Gardens Interchange** – major city centre hub, 5 mins walk  
Services by: Stagecoach, Arriva, First, Diamond, and Go North West.
  - **Lever Street Stop (near The Hive)** – served by local buses, check real-time info via TfGM.

## By Air

- **Manchester Airport (MAN)** – ~25–30 minutes by train, tram or taxi
  - Train: Direct services to Manchester Piccadilly Station
  - Tram: Airport line to city centre (approx. 1 hour)
  - Taxi/Uber: ~25–30 mins depending on traffic

## By Bike

- **Nearest Cycle Parking:**
  - **Lever Street** and surrounding streets have Sheffield stands.
  - Cycle lanes connect to the Northern Quarter from multiple directions.
- **Bike Hire Options:**
  - **Bee Network Bikes** (docked & e-bikes) available throughout the city.

## By Car

- **Nearby Car Parks:**
  - **NCP Car Park Manchester Dale Street** (5 mins walk)
  - **Church Street Car Park**
  - **Tib Street Car Park**
- **On-Street Parking:** Available but limited; pay-and-display or app-based (RingGo).
- **EV Charging:** Look for nearby spots using apps like ZapMap.

**What3Words:** [Rats, Pouch, Grabs](#)

The team at The Studio are always happy to help. Feel free to contact them on 0161 237 1201

<https://thestudio.co.uk/venues/manchester/directions/>

## Places to stay:



### Premier Inn Hotels

#### 1. Premier Inn Manchester City Centre (Piccadilly)

- **Address:** 72 Dale Street, Manchester M1 2HR
- **Distance:** Approximately 0.2 miles (~4-minute walk) from The Hive
- **Highlights:** Modern hotel offering comfortable rooms and an on-site restaurant. Conveniently located near Manchester Piccadilly Station and the Northern Quarter.

#### 2. Premier Inn Manchester City Centre (Portland Street)

- **Address:** 112–114 Portland Street, Manchester M1 4WB
- **Distance:** Approximately 0.6 miles (~10-minute walk) from The Hive
- **Highlights:** Central location near Manchester Oxford Road station

#### 3. Premier Inn Manchester City Centre (Princess Street)

- **Address:** 72 Princess Street, Manchester M1 6JD
- **Distance:** Approximately 0.7 miles (~12-minute walk) from The Hive
- **Highlights:** Convenient access to Manchester's business district and cultural attractions.



### Travelodge Hotels

#### 1. Travelodge Manchester Central

- **Address:** Blackfriars Street, Manchester M3 5AL
- **Distance:** Approximately 0.5 miles (~10-minute walk) from The Hive
- **Highlights:** Close proximity to Manchester's shopping and dining areas.

#### 2. Travelodge Manchester Ancoats

- **Address:** 22 Great Ancoats Street, Manchester M4 5AZ
- **Distance:** Approximately 0.3 miles (~5-minute walk) from The Hive
- **Highlights:** Located in the vibrant Ancoats area, offering easy access to local cafes and the Northern Quarter.



### Hilton Hotels

#### Hilton Manchester Deansgate

- **Address:** 303 Deansgate, Manchester M3 4LQ
- **Distance:** Approximately 1 mile (~20-minute walk or short tram ride) from The Hive
- **Highlights:** Situated in the iconic Beetham Tower, this hotel offers panoramic city views, a fitness centre, and an on-site bar.



## Motel One

### Motel One Piccadilly

- **Address:** 34 London Road, Manchester M1 2PF
- **Distance:** Approximately 0.6 mile (~12-minute walk) from The Hive
- **Highlights:** Music-themed décor, good breakfast buffet and an on-site bar.

### Motel One St Peter's Square

- **Address:** St Peter's Square, 1 Dickinson Street, Manchester M1 4LF
- **Distance:** Approximately 0.6 mile (~14-minute walk) from The Hive
- **Highlights:** Cosy and quintessentially British décor, good breakfast buffet and an on-site bar.

### Motel One Manchester - Royal Exchange

- **Address:** 11-15 Cross Street, Manchester M2 1WD
- **Distance:** Approximately 0.6 mile (~13-minute walk) from The Hive
- **Highlights:** Industrial décor, good breakfast buffet and an on-site bar.

The Studio also provides an accommodation service where they guarantee the very best rate available for your accommodation enquiry. More information can be found by visiting their website via this link:

<https://thestudio.co.uk/venues/manchester/hotels-accommodation/>