

# SALFORD CENTRAL STATION, MANCHESTER



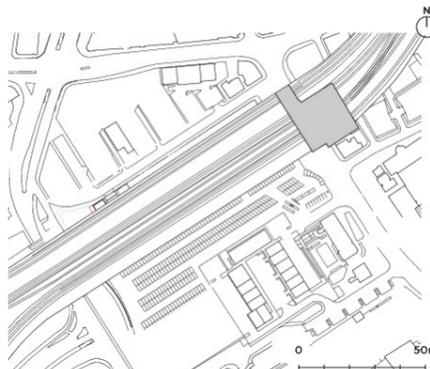
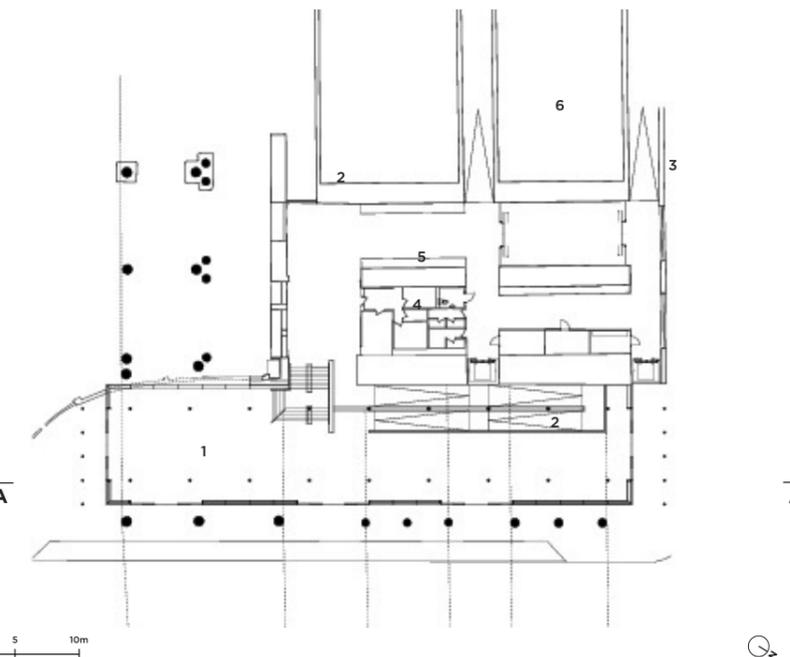
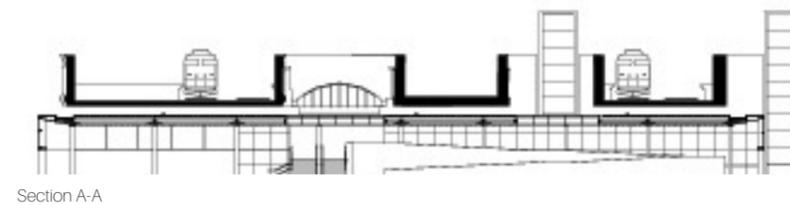
We were appointed to provide a strategic vision for the station which sits at the junction of the Irwell and Chapel Street districts. The upgrade of the station was identified as a critical part of the wider regeneration. The £5m enhancement of the station has 3 key elements: An entirely re-worked bus and taxi forecourt below the station at street level, a new and enlarged glass entrance foyer and ticket hall backing on to the restored brick work of the viaduct, and fully accessible ramps and lifts to the platforms at the upper level.

By re-planning the station to centralise the ticket purchase at street level, and on the natural flow line for pedestrians entering the station, capacity has been increased on the platforms and clarity and legibility have been brought to the travel experience. As with our bus station buildings in Oldham, transparency and visibility have played an important role in delivering passive security measures. In Salford this has been combined with a sensitive but contrasting addition to an important example of rail architecture.

The multi-stakeholder character of rail work is embodied in the design of the building. As well as being a historical structure (preventing use for structural support), the owner of the rail viaduct, Network Rail, require permanent access to the underside for monitoring and repair works.

<b>LOCATION:</b> SALFORD, ENGLAND
<b>COMPLETION:</b> 2008
<b>VALUE:</b> £5.0M
<b>SIZE:</b> 12,000M <sup>2</sup>
<b>SERVICE:</b> ARCHITECTURE
<b>SECTOR:</b> TRANSPORT
<b>CLIENT:</b> SALFORD CITY COUNCIL, TRANSPORT FOR GREATER MANCHESTER AND NETWORK RAIL
<b>CONTRACTOR:</b> MURPHY
<b>STRUCTURES:</b> AECOM
<b>SERVICES:</b> MOUCHEL PARKMAN
<b>COST CONSULTANT:</b> GLEEDS
<b>SPECIALIST CONSULTANTS:</b> GEOTECHNICS AND TECHNOLOGY: MOUCHEL PARKMAN

One of two projects on either side of the River Irwell dividing Salford and Manchester, this comprehensive station upgrade forms a key part of a European Regional Development Fund masterplan for both cities and also forms part of a wider portfolio of work carried out by Austin-Smith:Lord for Transport for Greater Manchester. The station upgrade is intended to improve the passenger experience for rail customers and ease interchange with other forms of public transport in Salford. The station now accommodates 100,000 additional journeys a year to and from the regenerated Irwell and Chapel Street districts of Salford and to the Spinningfields district of Manchester on the other side of the river.



Site plan

