

# Ilkley U3A Railway Group visit to Crich Tramway Village & Peak Rail

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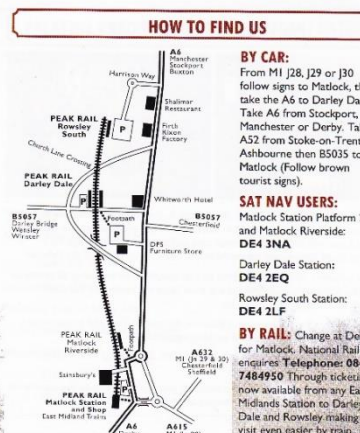
**Find us**

**BY ROAD:** We are situated in the heart of Derbyshire, 15 miles north of Derby, 6 miles from Matlock and 8 miles from the M1. Follow the Brown Signs for the Tramway Museum.

**BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT:** The nearest rail station is in Whatsandwell, which is a STEEP uphill walk of about 1 mile. We recommend alternative rail stations at Alfreton, Matlock or Belper, with a connecting bus service or taxi. Local buses run from Matlock, Alfreton, Ripley and Belper except on Sundays and Bank Holidays. For further information ring Traveline on 0871 2002233 or visit www.traveline.info.



**HOW TO FIND US**



**BY CAR:**  
From M1 J28, J29 or J30 follow signs to Matlock, then take the A6 to Darley Dale. Take A6 from Stockport, Manchester or Derby. Take A52 from Stoke-on-Trent to Ashbourne then B5035 to Matlock. Follow brown tourist signs.

**SAT NAV USERS:**  
Matlock Station Platform 2 and Matlock Riverside: DE4 3NA  
Darley Dale Station: DE4 2EQ  
Rowsley South Station: DE4 2LF

**BY RAIL:** Change at Derby for Matlock. National Rail enquires Telephone: 0845 7464930 Through ticketing now available from any East Midlands Station to Darley Dale and Rowsley making a visit even easier by train.

**BY BUS:** Frequent services from Derby, Nottingham & Chesterfield. Check local timetables for details or call Traveline Telephone: 0871 2002233

**BY BIKE:** From Old Station Close at Rowsley to opposite the Arc at Matlock.

**CATERING:** A wide selection of hot and cold food and drinks, home-made cakes, freshly made sandwiches, mouth watering bacon rolls and delicious daily specials are available from the Northwood Buffet at Rowsley South Station which is open on all operating days.

All train services have on-board a Buffet Car, serving a range of hot and cold drinks, alcoholic beverages and wide range of light snacks.

**DOGS:** Dogs are very welcome to travel on the trains and we ask that they are kept on-leads and off seats at all times. Only assistance dogs can travel in the dining coach.

**T.I.C. & SOUVENIR SHOP:** The visitor information point and souvenir shop is situated on Platform 1 at Matlock Station and is normally open from 10.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Saturday and 10.30am to 5.00pm on Sunday. All TIC enquiries should be made to 01335 343664 or email: maalockinfo@derbyshiredales.gov.uk

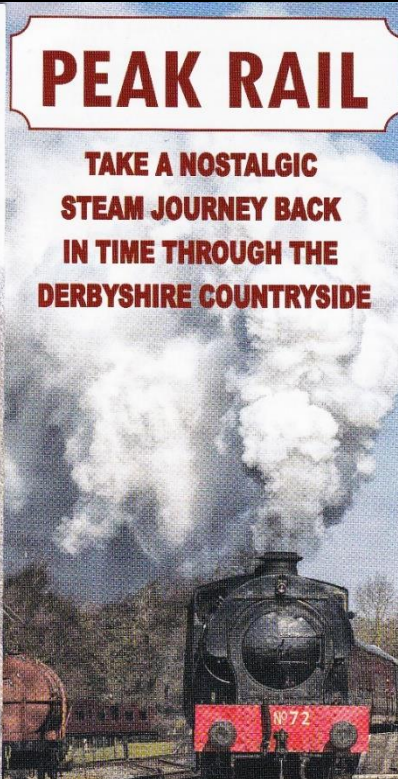
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**PARKING:** Free parking at both Rowsley South and Darley Dale Stations. Free and Derby Council car parks at Matlock Station.

**PEAK RAIL**

**TAKE A NOSTALGIC STEAM JOURNEY BACK IN TIME THROUGH THE DERBYSHIRE COUNTRYSIDE**



**VISITOR GUIDE AND TIMETABLE**

May 2018 - April 2019

[www.peakrail.co.uk](http://www.peakrail.co.uk)

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Chapter One

The Journey



# Outbound

Meet Leeds Station

10:11 Cross Country  
to Chesterfield

Arrive 11:06

Coach to Crich

Coach to Matlock

15:14 Peak Rail to  
Rowsley

Anytime Day Return

Outward

Valid for one journey  
from Ilkley  
to Chesterfield

Date of travel  
16-APR-19

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# Return

16:00 Coach picks up  
at Rowsley

Return via Chatsworth  
to Chesterfield

17:04 Cross Country  
to Leeds

Arrive Leeds 18:01





**The group meet up on the footbridge at Leeds Station**



10:11

Platform 11C

**Plymouth**

Calling at:

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Wakefield Westgate (10:22)

Sheffield (10:54)

Chesterfield (11:06)

Derby (11:24)

Birmingham N.St. (12:07)

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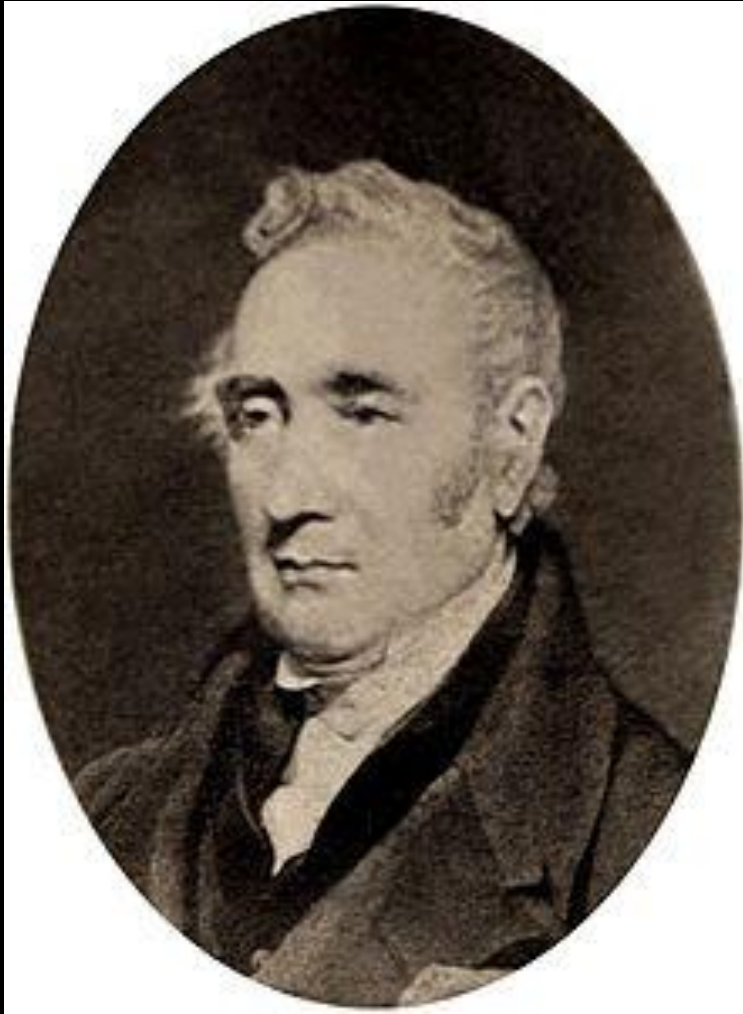






# George Stephenson links with Chesterfield and Crich

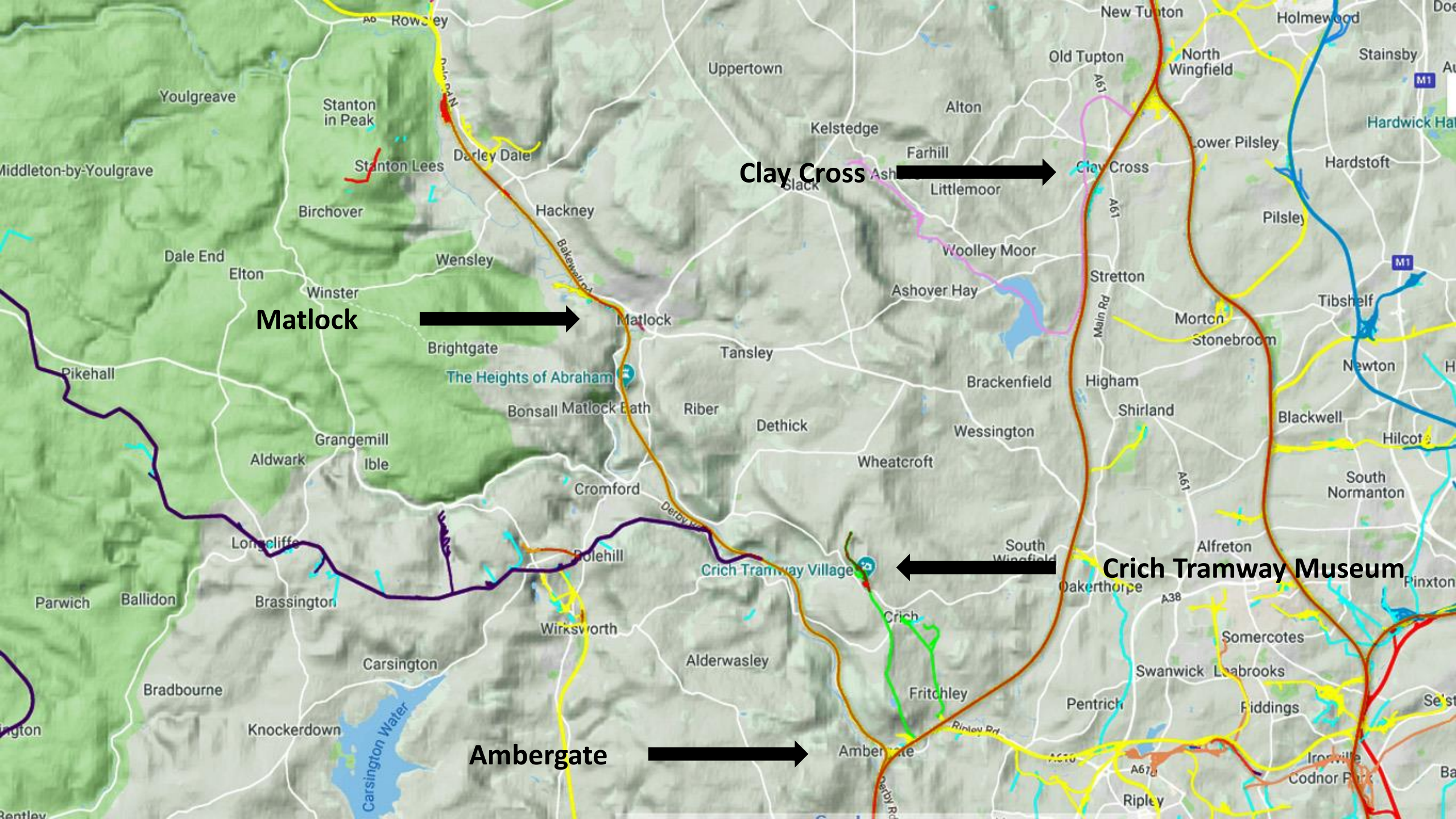
The "Father of Railways" lived in Chesterfield for his last 10 years.



While building the North Midland Railway linking Derby with Leeds, rich coal seams were found in the Clay Cross area. Stephenson recognised he could use local coal and limestone to produce burnt lime for agricultural purposes, using the new railway for distribution.

Cliff Quarry, where Crich Tramway Village is now located, was acquired by Stephenson's company and linked by mineral railway to the Cromford Canal, near the newly constructed North Midland Railway at Ambergate.





**Matlock**

**Clay Cross**

**Ambergate**

**Crich Tramway Museum**









**Our coach driver Michelle catches up with her knitting whilst waiting.**

**The scenic route back via Chatsworth to Chesterfield**



# Chapter Two

## People Watching







# LEARNING CENTRE

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Tuesday - Sock Puppets

Wednesday

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# Chapter Three

## Crich Tramway Village



# The history of Crich Cliff Quarry

The quarry at Crich Cliff was worked by the Clay Cross Company. Limestone was carried to the kilns on the Cromford Canal at Ambergate by a mineral railway constructed by George Stephenson in 1841.

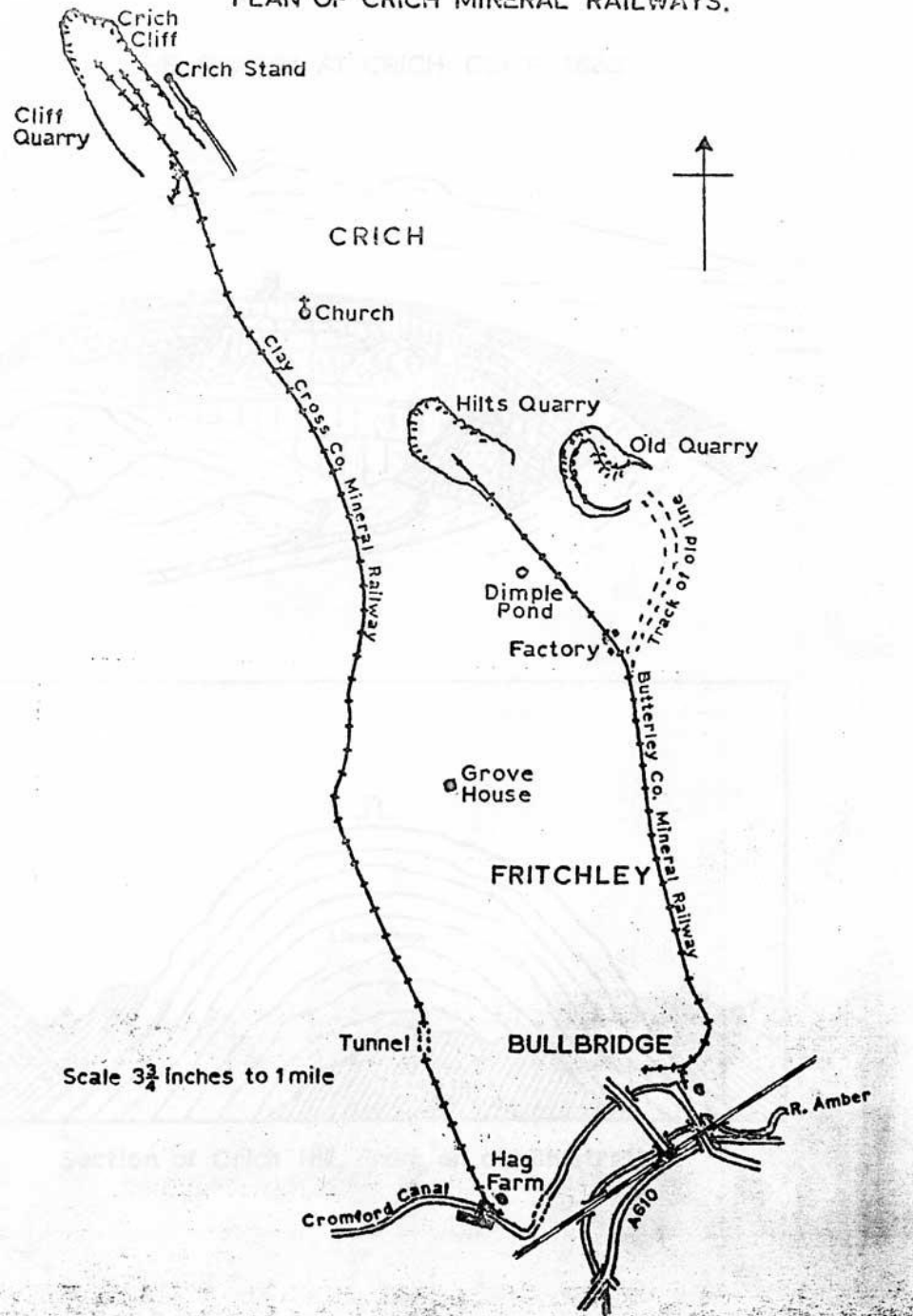
Cliff Quarry was closed and the railway ceased to operate in 1957.

Several reasons are given for the closure, one being that the edge of the quarry was now dangerously near Sherwood Foresters Memorial.

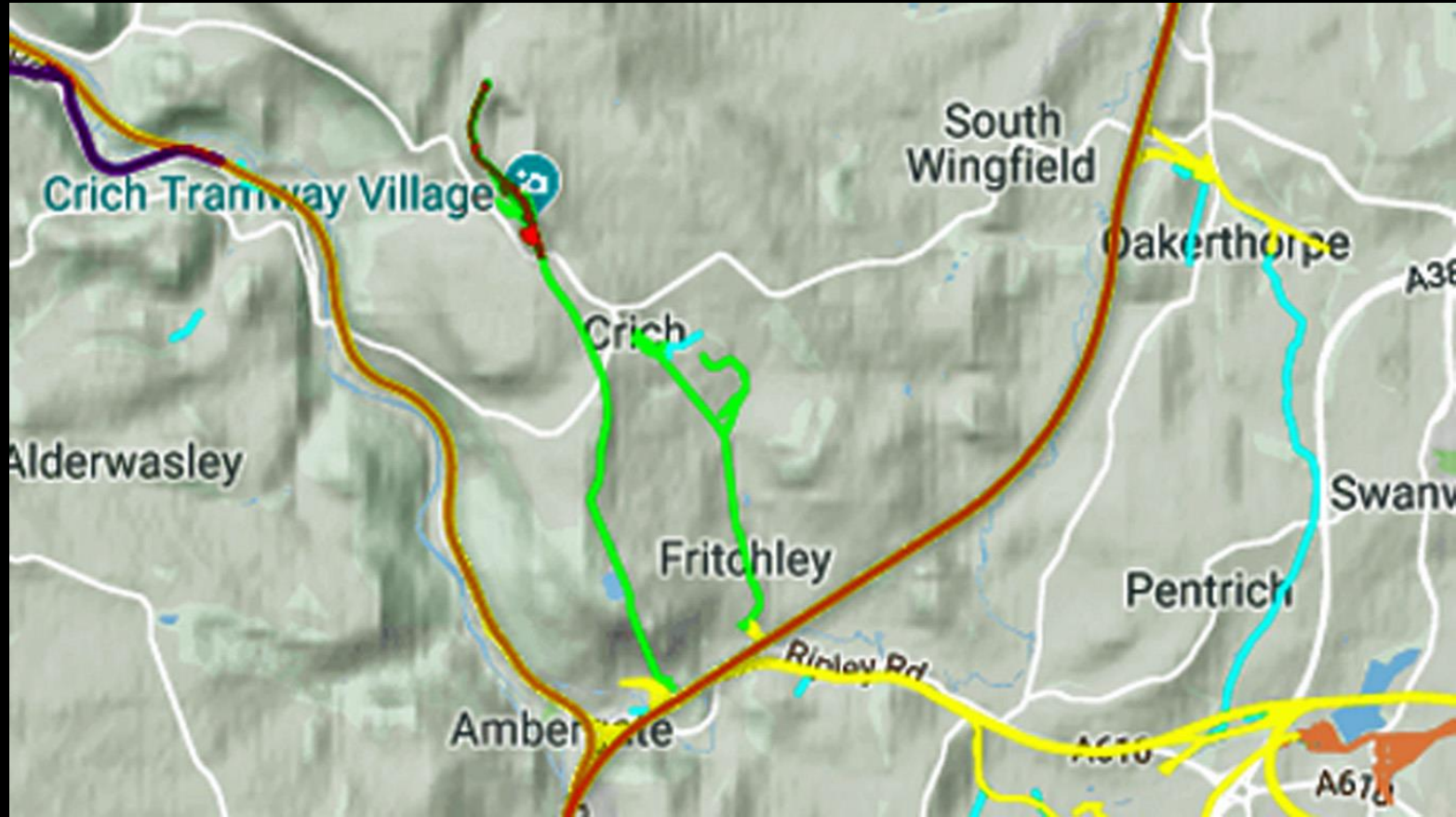
The track of the railway was purchased and recovered by the Talylyn Railway Preservation Society.



PLAN OF CRICH MINERAL RAILWAYS.



Plan of the mineral railway linking Crich to Ambergate. 2.5 miles. Two inclined planes were worked by wire rope, the steepest part, some 500 yards long, was the greatest in the country, being a gradient of 1 in 10.





# The history of Crich Tramway Village

Enthusiasts on a farewell tour of Southampton Tramways in August 1948 decided to purchase number 45 for £10 which is still in the collection.

The group developed the Tramway Museum Society, established in 1955, incorporated as a company limited by guarantee in 1962, and recognised as an educational charity in 1963.

In 1959 the society's attention was drawn to the then derelict limestone quarry at Crich in Derbyshire, from which members of the Talylyn Railway Preservation Society were recovering track from Stephenson's mineral railway for their pioneering preservation project in Wales.



# The history of Crich Tramway Village

Recognising that tramcars did not operate in limestone quarries, the society agreed in 1967 to create around the tramway the kind of streetscape through which the trams had run and thus the concept of the Crich Tramway Village was born.

Members then turned their attention to collecting items of street furniture and even complete buildings, which were then adapted to house the Museum's collections of books, photographs and archives.







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3	<b>CRICH TRAMWAYS</b> Available on day-trip only for any number of journeys by electric tram car. To be shown on demand. Issued subject to the wishes of the National Tramway Museum for transport entirely at risk of passenger. <b>NOT TRANSFERABLE</b>	30
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[www.lesterpress.co.uk](http://www.lesterpress.co.uk)

We were all given a pre decimal penny on entrance to be handed to the tram conductor on our first ride.

In exchange, we received this ticket entitling to ride the tram cars all day.

## SIXTY YEARS AT CRICH

In January 1959 volunteer members of the Tramway Museum Society began to build a heritage tramway in George Stephenson's derelict quarry.











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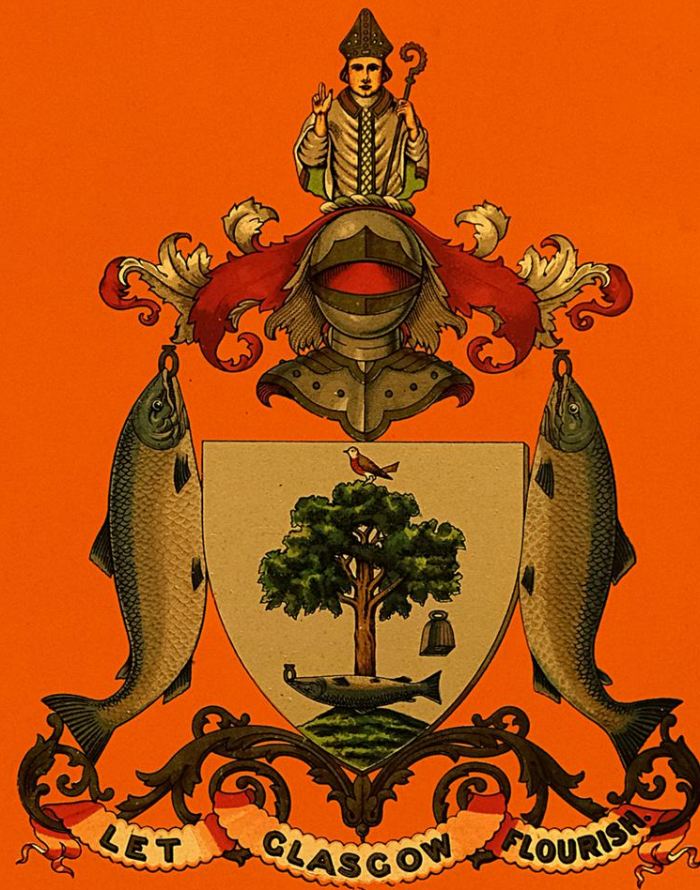


























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Crich Tramway Village workshop for a privileged look behind the scenes.





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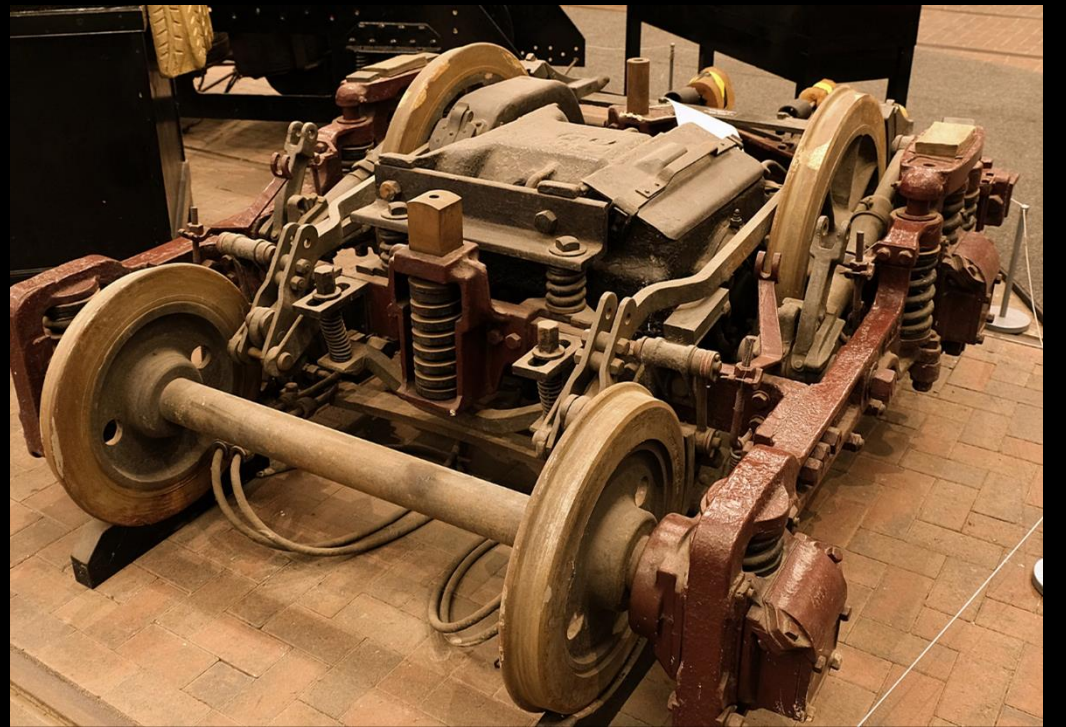
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# Chapter Four

## Peak Rail from Matlock



## A brief history of the line

The railway linked Derby & Manchester across the Peak District. It required numerous tunnels and impressive civil engineering features including the magnificent viaducts at Millers Dale and Monsal Dale.

The railway was not conceived as a single entity but was the result of several separate companies building the line at different times over a period of some 20 years.

The end result of these ventures was a mainline providing a direct route between Derby and Manchester allowing through trains to operate from London.



# PEAK RAIL PLC

MATLOCK STATION, MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE. DE4 3NA

## GROUP TRAVEL TICKET

NAME OF GROUP: ILKLEY V3A RAILWAY GROUP

FOR ADULTS/ NIL

CARERS/ NIL

SENIOR CITIZENS/ 50

CHILDREN/ NIL

DATE OF PARTY: TUESDAY 16TH APRIL 2019

STATION OF DEPARTURE: MATLOCK PLATFORM 2

TIME OF DEPARTURE: 15.14PM

SIGNED: MISS C STATHAM (Commercial Manager)

DATE: 9TH JANUARY 2019



# About Peak Rail

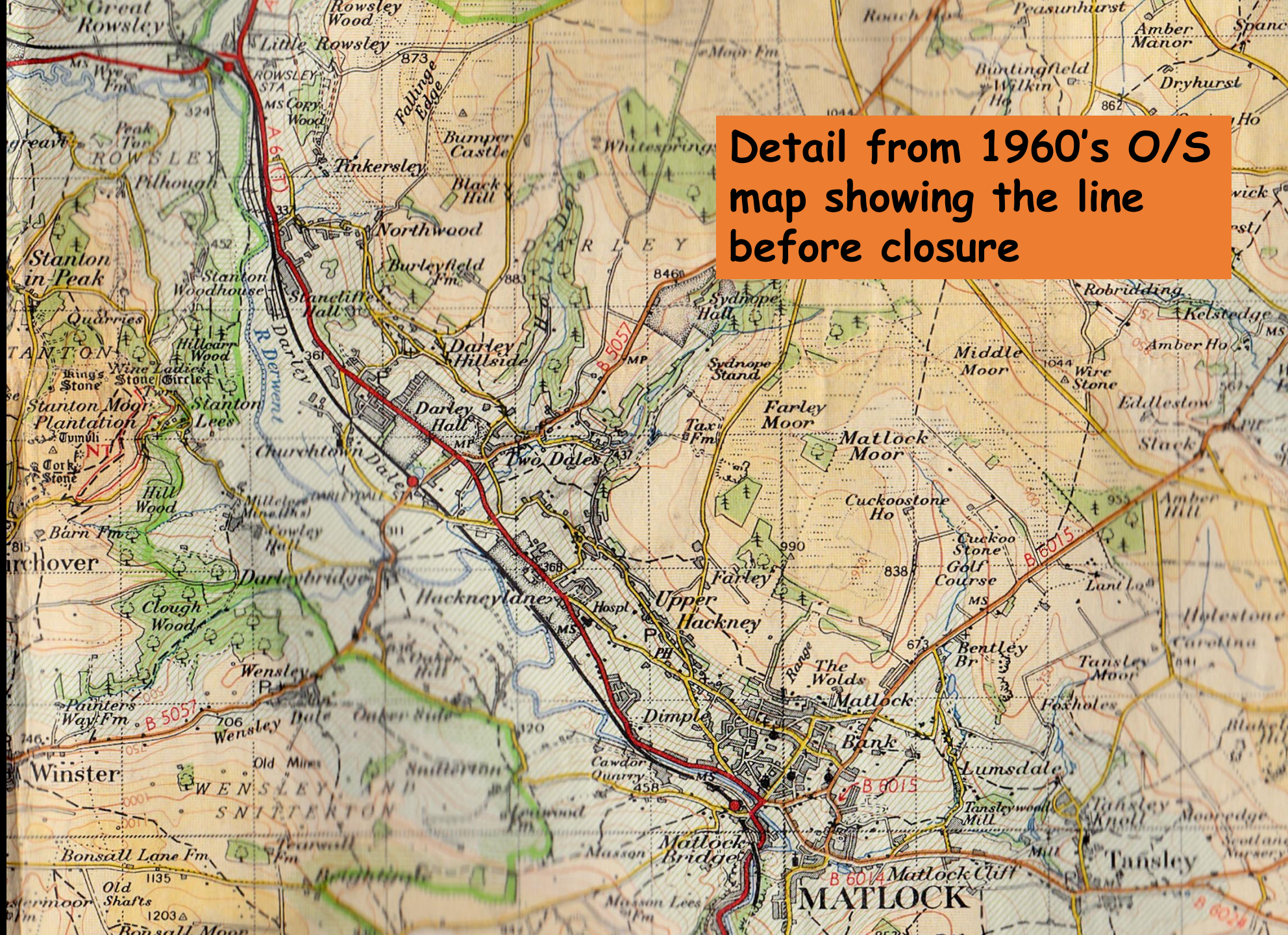
The preserved railway line is 3.5 miles long and operates train services from Matlock station (shared with Derwent Valley Line services from Derby via Ambergate) to Rowsley South.

Peak Rail hope to extend operational services northward to Bakewell when resources allow, extending to a total of 4.25 miles.

Beyond Bakewell, the railway track bed is used by the Monsal Trail, but a restored line could operate single track alongside (as is done by the heritage Avon Valley Railway) once safety issues are resolved.



Detail from 1960's O/S map showing the line before closure





Key points on the original through route to Buxton and then onwards to Manchester

Buxton Midland  
Higher Buxton



Buxton

Cheedale Hall  
Hall



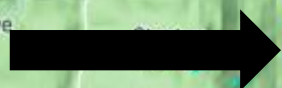
Millers Dale

Mansal Dale

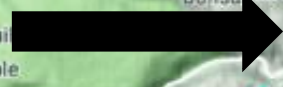
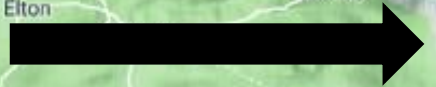


Mansal Dale

Peak Rail heritage line from Matlock to Rowsley South



Existing National Rail link from Derby to Matlock















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## We travelled in our own ex LMS coach

Coach number 7828 was an early LMS third open coach, built at Derby Works in 1925, to a design little modified from Midland Railway days.

It was withdrawn from passenger use in 1962 but gained a further lease of life as part of the London Midland Region mobile control train, assembled to control & administer the country in the event of disaster.

With the end of the Cold War it passed to the National Railway Museum in 1980 and has been restored by LMS Carriage Association based at Rowsley.





On 29th March 2016, LMS Period 1 Third Open, 7828, was officially launched into service.

Owned by the National Railway Museum and restored by the LMS Carriage Association.

























A middle-aged man with short, light-colored hair and glasses is smiling slightly. He is wearing a dark jacket over a plaid scarf and a plaid shirt. He is holding a white coffee cup with an orange band. The background is a blurred indoor setting, possibly a library or a community center, with bookshelves and a person in the distance.

Thanks to everyone for submitting their photographs and also for not getting lost along the way.