MAPPING MOBILITY
STOCKPORT

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WHAT IS OPEN DATA MANCHESTER?

➤ Established in 2010 we are an independent Community Interest Company (CIC)
➤ Advocate for appropriate local, national government data release
➤ Run workshops, training, events and research
➤ Highlight state of the art practice
➤ Develop initiatives looking at new ways of working with data
➤ Promote organisations doing good work with data both government, business and communities
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We also work with

- Data standards
- Data governance
  - Data rights and representation (Data cooperatives as personal data stores)
  - Declaration for Responsible and Intelligent Data Practice
- Internet of Things
  - Building and supporting open infrastructure (Things North)
- Innovation projects
  - Pollution mapping
ISSUES

➤ Stockport town centre is not the most accessible…

➤ People with disabilities often on the front line…

➤ How can we make our maps more useful for those with disabilities?

➤ How can they share the routes and strategies they have for navigating the town centre?
Joy Diversion!
Exploring, mapping & meandering in Manchester...
A REALLY SIMPLE METHOD

➤ Began by generating list of every day obstructions
➤ Used the map to start to identify ‘problem areas’
➤ Started drawing routes and identifying more features
➤ Use photographs for clarification
➤ Used routes to plan expeditions or ‘mapping party’
FINDINGS...
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Description: Direct route from bus station to train station. It can be steep in parts, has steps, not well lit and slippy when wet.
Can we make our maps and routing apps more inclusive?

How?
Can we make our maps more inclusive?
“To most people the road is the same, whichever way you’re going. For me, each side of the pavement is a completely different terrain to learn.”
Step Free (Wheelchair) Access Map
Hebden Bridge

- Passable
- Passable with caution
- Not Passable
- Blue Badge Parking
- Public Accessible Toilets (Radar key)
- Bus Stop (Accessible)
- Tourist information

This map has been made for disabled people who live, work and play in Hebden Bridge. We hope you enjoy exploring our quirky and friendly little town, finding its mills, hills and waterways.
NEXT STEPS...
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➤ We need to think carefully how these experiences are described
➤ But this needs to be led by the communities themselves.
➤ OSM training
➤ We want to talk to you!
THANK YOU

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