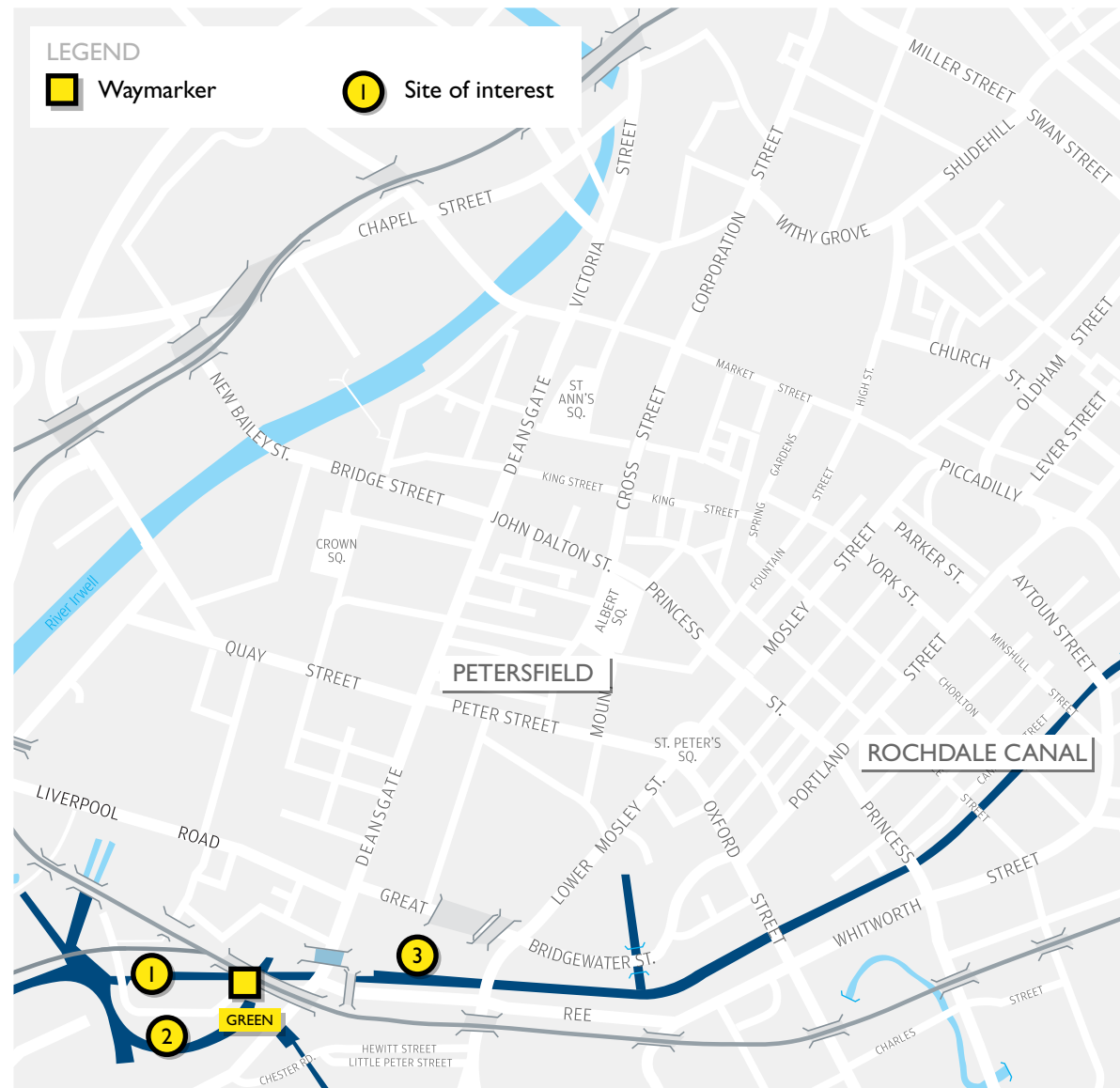


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The Rochdale Canal is a natural corridor of life cutting through our city centre. Stop for a moment and the wildlife will reveal itself: mallards, swans, herons, kingfishers, foxes and bats can all be seen eking out a living as we go about our daily lives. As you walk along the canal, why not settle down for a moment and see what wildlife you can spot.

I The Bridgewater Canal

The first true canal was commissioned by the 3rd Duke of Bridgewater to bring coal from his mines in Worsley to Manchester city centre. Including a large aqueduct over the River Irwell, the Bridgewater Canal was seen as a huge engineering triumph when it opened in 1761. It is one of only a few canals in the country that were never nationalised and is still privately owned today.



2 Castlefield Basin

Castlefield is where the Rochdale Canal meets the Bridgewater. Now the home of bars, restaurants and city centre apartments, Castlefield is a great location to relax or take a leisurely walk.

3 Deansgate Locks

Now the location of comedy clubs, bars and restaurants, this is the last place you would expect to see wildlife in the middle of a busy city centre. But whether glancing down from a latte or wandering along the towpath, keep your eyes peeled for the birds, fish and mammals that continue their daily lives right beside your feet.