



# 2025 CALENDAR

# USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Arawak Walton Housing	0161 272 6094
Manchester City Council	0161 234 5000
Stockport Council	0161 480 4949
Trafford Council	0161 912 2000
Arawak Walton tenant repairs	0161 272 6094
Citizens Advice help line	0808 223 1133
Gas or carbon monoxide leaks	0800 111 999
NHS direct	111
No electricity or power outage	105
No water or blocked sewer	0345 672 3723
Step change debt advice	0800 138 1111
Universal credit help line	0808 223 1133



# ARDWICK

We have 158 homes in Ardwick, which is also home to our head office, which is on Manor Street.

It was Walton Housing Association that started the original journey in 1978, working out of the Nello James Centre in Whalley Range. In 1990 Walton Housing Association had 65 homes in the local area.

In 1994, Arawak merged with Walton Housing Association to become Arawak Walton Housing Association. The association has grown and prospered over the years by offering an excellent, culturally sensitive and personal service to its very diverse residents.

In 2017 Arawak Walton had the opportunity to purchase the building next door to our original office for a competitive price to accommodate our growing workforce.



# LONGSIGHT

We have 116 homes in Longsight.

Longsight is home to one of Manchester's most diverse communities and has an impressive 7 mosques. The area comes alive with the Muslim festival of Chaand every Autumn. Some famous people who lived in Longsight include Charles Halle, the painter Ford Maddox Brown and Danny Welbeck who played for Manchester United.

Today Longsight has its very own market and is described as the centre of its community, open every Tuesday to Saturday. Where you can buy everything from clothes to household items.

Danny Welbeck, born in Longsight, who played for Manchester United scored 63 Premiership goals and won the Champions League, 2 Premier Leagues, 2 FA cups and 2 League cups.



# JANUARY 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30	31	<b>1</b> New Year's Day	<b>2</b> 2nd January (Scotland)	3	<b>4</b> World Braille Day	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> Epiphany / Guru Gobind Singh Jayanti	7	8	9	10	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> Seijn Shiki (Coming of Age Day)	<b>14</b> Maker Sankranti	15	<b>16</b> Religious Freedom Day	17	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> World Religion Day
<b>20</b> Martin Luther King Day	21	22	23	24	<b>25</b> Burns Night	<b>26</b>
27	28	<b>29</b> Chinese New Year	30	31	1	2



# MOSTON & HARPURHEY

We have 18 homes in Moston and 11 in Harpurhey

Over the next 2 years Manchester will see the largest ever regeneration project taking place in and around Moston & Harpurhey, which will see a new public square on Moston Lane, improved green spaces and more affordable housing.

Boggart Hole Clough situated between Harpurhey and Blackley is one of Manchester's 138 parks, that boasts an athletics track, a boating lake, cafe, a mini sports court and football pitches.

Harpurhey is also home to Manchester Youth Zone, a purpose built, state of the art, fully equipped youth centre which costs just 50p per session.

We are looking to increase our stock in the area and have already started investing in community projects like the Moston Amateur Boxing club and Moston Litter Pickers.

Did you know that smoking and vaping related items equate to 66% of all the litter cleared in the UK at litter picks.



# FEBRUARY 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
27	28	29	30	31	<b>1</b> World Hijab Day	<b>2</b> Candlemas/ Setsuban/ Vasant Panchami
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> World Cancer Day	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Thai Pusam	<b>12</b> Tu B'Shvat	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Valentine's Day	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Rare Disease Day/ Nineteen Day Fast Starts	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>

# WHALLEY RANGE

## We have 166 homes in Whalley Range

In response to the Moss Side riots, Arawak Housing Association was created thanks to the vision of the inspirational of Louise Da-Cocodia, who with the support of her founding members, Mr Felix Daniel, George McCorkle, Mr Wilda Grant, Mr Barry Reeves, Mr Junior Sharpe, Mr Roy Blackman, Mr Norman Lawrence, Wilberforce Johnson, Mr Richard Davis, Mr Beresford Edwards, Mr Fredrick Fredrick, Mr Mike Henderson, Mr Alton Pascoe, Mr David Wong, Mr Robert Clarke, Mr Aston Douglas, Mr Gavin King, Ms Wilma Dean-McIntyre, Mr Colin Phillips, Miss Audrey Richards, Reverend Gerry Wheale and Wendal Woollery were able to build a long and lasting legacy.

Today Arawak Walton employ a small team of highly trained and committed staff members and we support thousands of people in over 1200 homes across Manchester, Stockport and Trafford.

Whalley Range is the birth place of Walton Housing Association, which later merged with Arawak in 1994 to become Arawak Walton.



Whalley Range



# MARCH 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
24	25	26	27	28	<b>1</b> St David's Day	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Shrove Tuesday	<b>5</b> Ash Wednesday	<b>6</b> World Book Day	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> International Women's Day	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> Commonwealth Day	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Feast of Esther Purim	<b>14</b> Shushan Purim/ Holi	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> St. Patrick's Day (Northern Ireland)	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Nineteen Day Fast Ends	<b>20</b> Spring Equinox/ Naw Ruiz/ International Day of Happiness	<b>21</b> World Syndrome Day	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Layla al-Qadr (Night of Power)	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b> Ramadan Begins	<b>30</b> Mother's Day/ British Summer Time Begins/ Eid al-Fitr/Ugadi
<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>

# CHEETHAM HILL

**We have 70 homes in Cheetham Hill.**

Cheetham Hill is home to a diverse community, a result of several generations of people emigrating to the United Kingdom from all over the world. This can be seen in the variety of places of worship in the area, from churches, mosques and synagogues.

Famous people from Cheetham Hill include rapper, Bugzy Malone, actress Sharia Chowdary and athlete Sandra Douglas who won a gold medal at the 1992 Olympics.

We work very closely with community groups to support and help the local community. Examples include The Mancunian Way, who help and support young people achieve their aspirations. Most of the referrals are done through the outreach work they do on the streets at night.

Since February 2021, Arawak Walton has been working in partnership with community group 'Mancunian Way' to tackle the issue of youth unrest, discontentment, and frustration in the Cheetham Hill community.



# APRIL 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
31	1 April Fool's Day	2 World Autism Awareness Day	3	4	5	6 Rama Navami
7 World Health Day	8	9	10 Mahavir Jayanthi	11	12 Fast of the First Born/ Passover/Hanuman Jayanti	13 Palm Sunday
14 Vaisakhi	15	16	17 Maunday Thursday	18 Good Friday	19 Holy Saturday	20 Passover ends/ Easter Sunday
21 Easter Monday (England, Northern Ireland, Wales)	22 Earth Day	23 St George's Day/ Yom HaShoah	24	25 World Malaria Day	26	27
28 Guru Angad Dev	29	30	1	2	3	4

# OLD TRAFFORD

We have 60 homes in Old Trafford.

You will be surprised to know that for over a century there have been a steady stream of people from Africa, the Caribbean, Ireland, Turkey, Pakistan, India, and recently Poland and the Ukraine, making Old Trafford one of the most culturally diverse communities in Greater Manchester.

Trafford is where the Industrial Revolution began. During the early 19th Century, Manchester's rapid growth in the cotton industry led to the town's expansion, making it a hub for global manufacturing and trade.

Between 1948 and 1971 most of the Caribbean men and women who decided to settle in Manchester and the surrounding area found work in construction, at the Manchester docks, at Trafford Park, in factories, and as nurses in the newly founded NHS.

HMT Empire Windrush is best remembered today for bringing one of the first large groups of West Indian immigrants to the United Kingdom. The ship carried 1029 passengers and two from Jamaica to London in 1948.



# MAY 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
28	29	30	1	2	3	4 Star Wars Day
5 Early May Bank Holiday	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Vesak (Buddha Day)	13	14	15 Lag B'Omer	16	17	18
19	20	21 World day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development	22	23	24	25 World Africa Day
26 Spring Bank Holiday	27 Ascension of Baha'u'llah	28	29 Ascension Day	30 Akshaya Tritiya/ Yom Haatzmaut	31 World No Tobacco Day	1



# VICTORIA PARK

Emmeline Pankhurst, Suffragette lived in Victoria Park.

We have 27 flats at Daisy Bank Court, which is an over 55's sheltered scheme, located in Victoria Park.

We own 4 Manchester based sheltered housing schemes which provide housing for tenants aged over 55's. We purchased Daisy Bank Court in 2013 and has since undergone extensive refurbishment works. To support tenants the building is equipped with a lift, communal lounge & dining room, laundry, guest facilities, where visitors can stay and a well maintained garden.

There is a Scheme Manager on site during office hours to assist tenants. Part of the scheme manager's role is arrange activities for tenants. Examples include coffee mornings, breakfast clubs, afternoon teas and trips out.



# JUNE 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
26	27	28	29	30	31	<b>1</b> Shavuot (begins)
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Shavuot (ends)	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Eid Al-Adlai (feast of sacrifice)	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Pentecost
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> World Blood Donor Day	<b>15</b> Father's Day/ Trinity Sunday
<b>16</b> Martyrdom of Gary Arian Dev	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Corpus Christi	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Summer Solistice/ International Yoga Day	<b>22</b> Windrush Day
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Islamic New Year	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>

# RUSHOLME

We have 103 homes in Rusholme.

Rusholme is one of the most diverse wards, having a community with so many different backgrounds. A recent university study found that over 70 languages were spoken around Rusholme's Wilmslow Road, now popularly known as the 'Curry Mile'.

The area is also home to the Manchester Metropolitan University and the Whitworth Art Gallery, which receives over 400,000 visitors every year. In 2015, the art gallery reopened after £15 million was spent on renovating and increasing its exhibition spaces.

The Whitworth Art gallery was founded in 1889 as the first English gallery in a park in memory of the industrialist Sir Joseph Whitworth.



# JULY 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Asalha Puja (Dharma Day)	11	12	13 Fast of 17th Tammuz
14 Battle of the Boyne (substitute day) (Northern Ireland)	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Pioneer Day	25 St James the Great Day	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

# STOCKPORT

The Stockport Viaduct was built using 11 million bricks.

We have 18 homes in total across Stockport.

Although we only have a small number of homes in Stockport it is very much seen as an area of growth. This is because In 2021, 7.3% of Stockport residents were identified as diverse. The 2.4 percentage-point change from 2011 was the largest increase among high-level ethnic groups in this area. Furthermore, there has been an increase in the number of tenants renting privately. In 2021, 14.4% of Stockport households rented privately. This figure increased from 11.4% in 2011, and compared to other areas has the highest rental price.

Did you know that the Stockport viaduct was built in 1840, has 27 arches and was made using 11 million bricks, at the time it was the largest brick structure in the world and today is a grade 2 listed building.





# AUGUST 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
28	29	30	31	1 Lammas	2	3
4 Summer bank holiday (Scotland)	5	6	7	8	9 International Day of the Worlds Indegenous People/ Raksha Bandhan	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 Krishna Janmashtami	17 Birthday of Marcus Garvey
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Summer bank holiday (England, Northern Ireland, Wales)	26	27	28	29	30	31

# MOSS SIDE

We have 59 homes in Moss Side.

With our roots in the African-Caribbean community, Moss Side was an obvious place to invest in, but not only in bricks and mortar. Arawak Walton continues the work of its founders by contributing to the local community by working with independent BME contractors, like Pommels, who carry out 100's of repairs to our homes every year. In 2023 £3.5m was recirculated back through local contractors within communities like Moss Side.

Every year we support local community Groups in Moss Side to deliver services to the community, examples include the Windrush celebration and the Moss Side Carnival.

Manchester Caribbean Carnival was actually started by one woman – the founding member and the chairperson of Manchester's carnival committee, Ms. Locita Brandy.



# SEPTEMBER 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	4 Mawlid al Naabi	5	6	7
8 International Literacy Day	9	10	11	12	13	14 Triumph of the Cross
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 World Alzheimer's Day
22 Rosh Hashanah (starts) Jewish New Year	23	24	25	26 Ganesh Chaturthi	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5

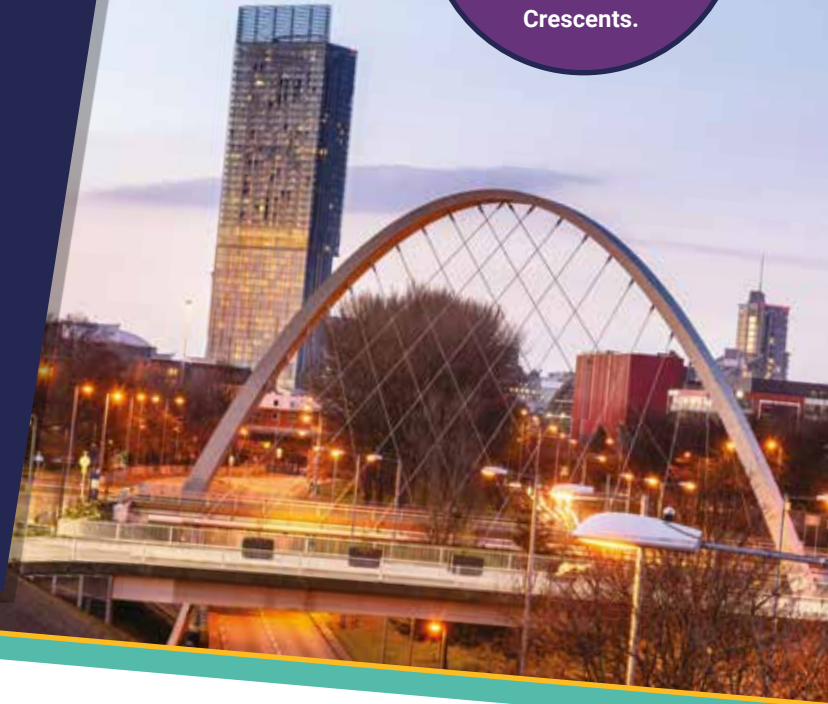
# HULME

## We have 57 homes in Hulme

Hulme Crescents was a large housing development built in 1971 to replace the slum housing. However, they were considered a failure with chronic problems relating to damp, heating, pest infestation, crime, and health and safety. Between 1971 and 1993 a wealth of music was born from the crescents, including the Russell Club where Factory Records were born. Some of the bands included Joy Division, New Order, A Certain Ratio, Happy Mondays, Northside, and many more.

Today the landscape of Hulme has completely changed, in 1997 the Hulme bridge was opened by Sir Alex Ferguson, where the crescents stood are now spacious houses with gardens, some of which we own.

Hulme is always remembered for two things the Hulme Crescents and the music that came out of the Crescents.



# OCTOBER 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
29	30	1 Black History Month/ Yom Kippur	2 International Day of Non-Violence/ Feast of Guardian Angels/ Dussehra	3	4	5 World Teachers Day
6 First Day of Sukkot	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Shining Atzeret	14	15 Simchat Torah	16	17	18	19
20	21 Diwali	22	23	24	25 Fast of Gedaliah	26 British Summer Time Ends
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	1	2



# MILES PLATTING

Miles Platting is home to our sheltered accommodation scheme: Sycamore Court.

Sycamore Court was built in 1983 and purchased from Anchor Homes in 2015. Shortly after purchase, the building was modernised and renovated. It contains 38 homes which are a mix of self-contained and studio apartments.

Our sheltered schemes have an on site scheme manager, who is available during office hours to assist tenants. The schemes focus on providing activities and opportunities for tenants to socialise in a supportive but independent environment. The schemes have a friendly and laid back feel, with low tenancy turnover with many long standing tenants.



Miles Platting is home to both the Co-op Live Arena and Manchester City's ground, The Etihad stadium. The Co-op Live has the largest maximum capacity of any indoor arena in Europe with 23,500 seats.

# NOVEMBER 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
27	28	29	30	31	<b>1</b> All Saints' Day	<b>2</b> All Souls' Day
3	4	<b>5</b> Guy Fawkes Night / Birth of Guru Nanak	6	7	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Remembrance Sunday
10	11	12	13	<b>14</b> World Diabetes Day	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> International Day of Tolerance
17	18	19	20	21	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
24	25	26	27	28	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> St Andrews Day/ Beginning of Advent

# LEVENSHULME

**LOUISE  
DA-COCODIA.**

Louise was one of the  
founding members  
of Arawak Walton.

We have 44 homes in Levenshulme which was once home to one of our founders, former Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Manchester and Anti-racism campaigner, Louise Da-Cocodia MBE.

Originally born in Jamaica, Louise moved to Britain in 1955 and trained as a nurse. However, having experienced and witnessed racism, Louise began to work tirelessly to combat racism and improve people's quality of life, both on a grassroots community level where she was affectionately known as 'Mrs D'; and on a more formal level.

She strove to promote equality of opportunity for Manchester's inner-city residents in housing, education and employment.

She co-founded and steered a number of community enterprise schemes, including the Louise Da-Cocodia Education Trust and Arawak Walton Housing Association. She was also a founder member of Moss Side and Hulme Women's Action Forum, the Agency for Economic Development in Manchester. Louise Da-Cocodia was one of the founding members of Arawak Walton, setting up the association in 1980. Louise Da-Cocodia lived in Levenshulme and worked tirelessly to champion the rights of black and minority groups in Manchester. In recognition for her outstanding work Louise Da-Cocodia received many awards but in 2005 was awarded an MBE for services to the people of Manchester.



# DECEMBER 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>1</b> World AIDS Day St. Andrew's Day (substitute day) (Scotland)	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Yule(winter Solstice)
22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day / First Day of Hanukkah	26 Boxing Day	27 Guru Gobind Singh Jayanti	28
29	30	31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day	2 2nd January (Scotland)	3	4



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