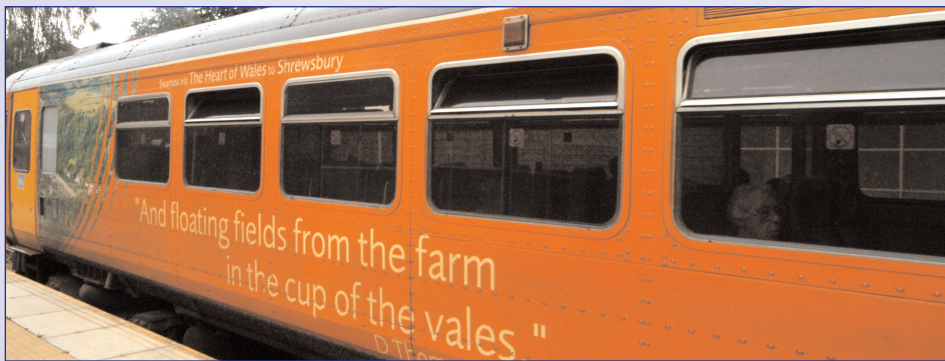


Welcome to the Borderlands Line

Bidston Change here for the extensive Merseyrail Network. Merseyrail Trains run at 15 minute intervals (30 minutes on Sundays) Attractions to visit at Birkenhead include the Shopping Development (Alight at Conway Park station), Birkenhead Trams, Shore Road Pumping Station, or ride the "Ferry 'cross the Mersey" (Alight at Hamilton Square) The two stations, the ferry, and the shopping centre are all linked by a frequent electric bus service. For the heart of Liverpool and its shopping centre alight at Liverpool Central. For the Albert Dock, The Beatles Story, and Maritime Museums and the Tate Gallery use James Street Station.



BIDSTON

Moorfields

Liverpool

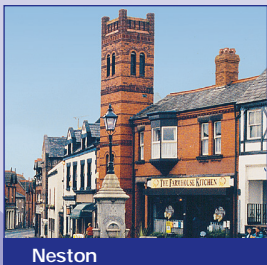
James Street

Lime Street

Central

Upton

Birkenhead (Birkenhead North, Birkenhead Park, Conwy Park, Hamilton Square)



Neston

Neston In the past Neston has been a major force as an agricultural centre, a port, a mining village and a market town. Today the Friday market and specialist shops draw shoppers from surrounding areas. Nearby Parkgate, on the Dee estuary with commanding views of the Welsh Hills, was once a main port for sea travel to Ireland and is now famous for the fine 18th century houses along the promenade, a bird reserve, and delicious home made ice cream. Also just a short bus ride away from the station is Ness Gardens - "A Garden for all Seasons" - one of the country's leading botanical gardens.

Heswall

Heswall The station is situated on the edge of this genteel residential community with its traditional shops just a short bus ride away. Take the bus (or walk) for little over a mile in the other direction and you can visit the craft centre nestling in the shadow of the mediaeval Brimstage Hall.

Neston

Shotton Shotton station is in the shopping centre of the town. Ten minutes walk away is the Deeside Ice Rink where novices or experts of all ages can indulge in enjoyable exercise or have a night out at the Discos on Ice. There are connections at Shotton with trains to Chester, Crewe, Manchester, the North Wales Coast and Holyhead, with its ferries to Dublin and Dun Laoghaire.

Hawarden Bridge Spanning the tidal waters of the Dee between England and Wales, when completed in 1889 this was the largest swing bridge in the world.

Hawarden Bridge

Shotton

Hawarden The home of former Prime Minister W.E. Gladstone, Hawarden is a place of historical interest with 16th. century half timbered houses, mediaeval castle ruin and the famous St. Deiniol's library. Also why not visit the region's two castles?

Hawarden

Buckley



Buckley

Chester



Hawarden

Caergwrle A short walk from the station brings you to the ruins of 13th. century Caergwrle Castle with superb views of the surrounding area, or why not stretch your legs and walk to the top of nearby Hope mountain with even more breathtaking views?

Penyffordd

Hope

Buckley Walk the Heritage Trail and see the remains of Buckley's industrial past. Access is just a short walk from the station.

Caergwrle

Cefn-y-Bedd



Gwersyllt

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Gwersyllt A short walk from the station is the acclaimed Alyn Waters Country Park. The park, designated as a local nature reserve, is home to skylarks, (an endangered species), five types of orchid and many other varieties of flora and fauna.

WREXHAM (General & Central)



Wrexham



Pontcysyllte Aqueduct

Wrexham Wrexham is fast becoming the "capital" of North Wales and Wrexham Central is close to the shops, traditional markets (covered and open), modern leisure facilities and a museum of the town. The skyline of the town is dominated by the tower of St. Giles' Parish Church, one of the Seven Wonders of Wales. The churchyard of St. Giles' houses the tomb of Elihu Yale, benefactor of Yale University in USA.

The North Wales Borderlands, with Wrexham at its heart, is a region rich in places to visit. It is only a short bus or train journey from the town to visit Thomas Telford's famous Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and the Llangollen Canal, a National Trust property such as Chirk Castle, or numerous country parks and tourist attractions.

At Wrexham General there are Rail connections with Chester and Crewe to the north and Shrewsbury and the Midlands to the south. The station also adjoins The Racecourse ground, home of Wrexham F.C.