

Venue Information



Victoria Baths
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Introduction

Victoria Baths was built between 1903-1906, with no expense spared. It has three pool halls, a Turkish Baths suite, a Superintendents flat above and various outbuildings.

Closed as a public baths in 1993, Victoria Baths is now partially restored and makes a fantastic venue for weddings, cultural events, film locations, photoshoots, corporate events and arts activities. The Baths belongs to Manchester City Council and is managed by the Victoria Baths Trust, a registered charity. Use of the Victoria Baths is arranged with the Victoria Baths Trust, or its trading subsidiary Victoria Baths Trading Ltd, and the terms of use are below.

Victoria Baths is undergoing restoration in phases. Whilst the front block has been externally restored and the whole building has been cleaned and improved by volunteers, it is only partially restored. Users must understand this and accept the limitations imposed. There is no general space heating and for this reason, use in the winter months has limitations.





Gala Pool

The Gala Pool was originally used as the Males First Class Pool. The pool itself holds up to 300 (this can increase to 500 but additional health and safety measures are required) whilst the balcony holds 200. Both seating and standing options are available. The floor is slanted, so please take this into consideration when planning your activity. We do not allow drinks into the pool for standing events unless it is carpeted, and we work with an external company who can do this for you. Please ask the Events team if you require contact details.



Sports Hall

Originally the Males Second Class Pool, the Sports Hall is now a covered space that holds up to 400, with seating and standing options, as well as room for extra seating or production on the balcony. We also have our bar situated in here, which is run by Victoria Baths staff and included within the hire. Toilets and family facilities are also within this space.



Females Pool

The Females Pool is the most original of the three main spaces and holds up to 200. Both seating and standing options are available. The floor is slanted, so please take this into consideration. We do not allow drinks into the pool for standing events unless it is carpeted, and we work with an external company who can do this for you. Please ask the Events team if you require contact details.



Turkish Rest Room

The Rest Room is home to the Angel of Purity window and provides a stunning backdrop to your activity, with a capacity of up to 50.



Turkish Hot Rooms



The Hot Rooms sit next to the Turkish Rest Room as part of the Turkish Baths Suite and holds up to 30.



Pineapple Room

Named by staff due to the pineapple-like window, this space holds up to 60. It forms part of our Tea Room, with the service area situated next door.





Additional Spaces

In addition, we also have the Filter Room, Laundry and Superintendent's Flat, that can be used for storage, food vendors, production spaces and bars.

Accessibility

The majority of our ground floor spaces are accessible, but please bare in mind that both the Gala Pool and Females Pool have step access only. However, it is possible to install a lift into both spaces. There is an accessible toilet situated in the Sports Hall, and accessible parking is available both in the carpark and the side bays. Unfortunately, our first floor is currently only accessible via stairs, but it is our plan to have a lift installed in the future if funding allows.

Given the nature of the building, we strongly advise hirers to consider provision for access customers and provide measurers for everyone to be able to enjoy your event or activity.





Power

All of our spaces have access to power, as well as the carpark if being used. There are three-phase electrics available, and if you require additional power, it is possible to bring generators on site. We're able to facilitate technical recces in order for you to plan ahead, please discuss your power requirements with the Events team.

Heating

Victoria Baths is unheated, so please keep this in mind when enquiring. From October to March, the building can get extremely cold, so heating provision should be considered if you are booking within these months. We work with a supplier to provide this and can obtain a quote for you.

Bars and Catering

Our bar is situated in the Sports Hall and we have a range of products available and work with independent suppliers as much as possible. If you'd like us to run the bar for your event, please speak to the Events Team.

Alternatively, if you'd prefer to run it yourself, using our equipment and providing your own stock and staff, there is a small usage fee. Your venue liaison will be able to provide information about this and quote you.

We do not offer catering on site, but have an extensive list of suppliers we know and love that we can recommend to you. Alternatively, if you have someone else in mind then we're happy for you to use them.

WIFI

We have WiFi within the building and passwords will be made available upon request.

Licensing Hours

The venue is licensed to be open to the public from 10am till midnight. Alcohol and regulated entertainment can be provided between 11am-11.30pm We are situated in a residential area and this needs to be taken into consideration.

Accommodation

We have a discount code for local hotel accommodation, just ask the Event Team for more details

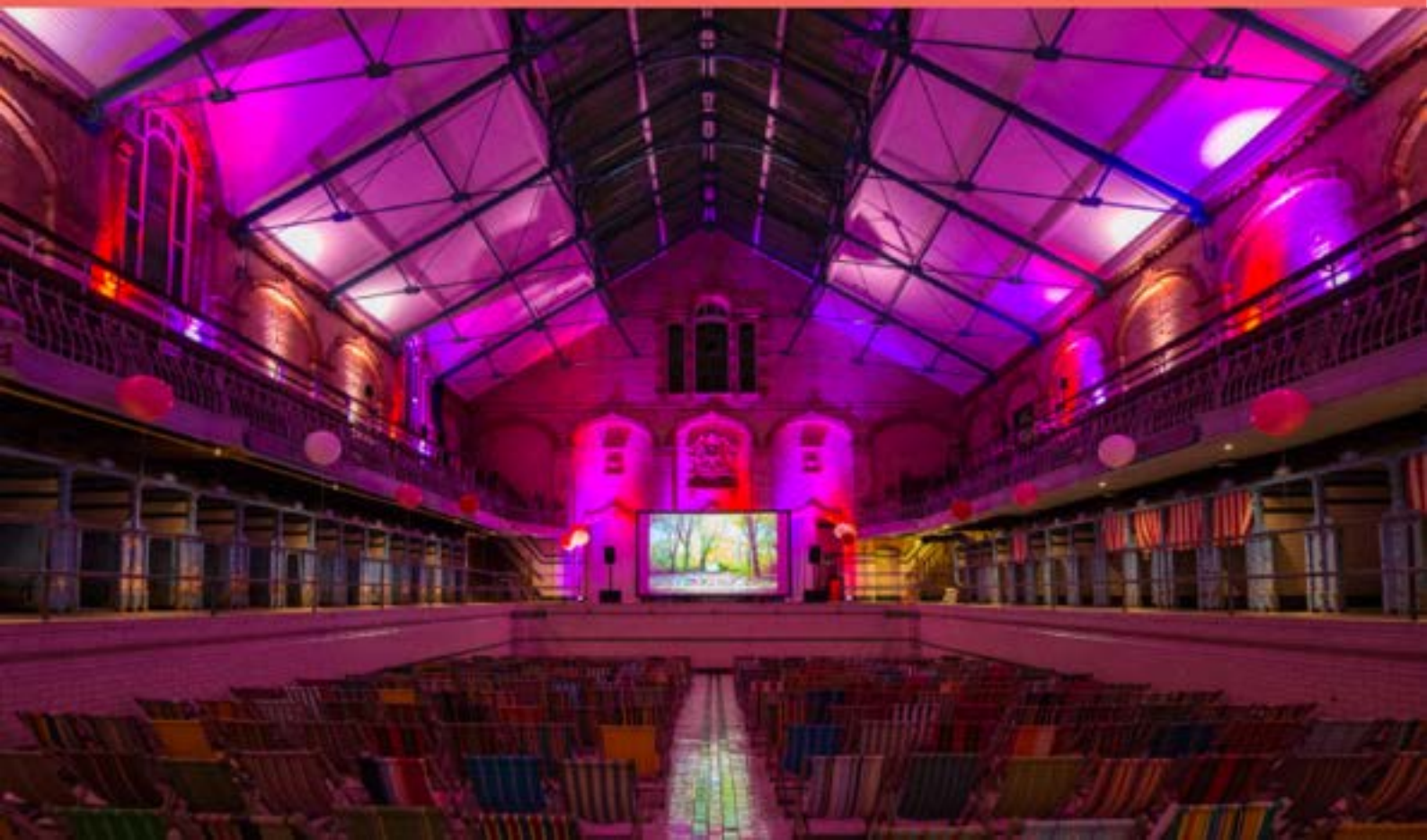
Health and Safety

The venue is fully risk assessed and insured and we have evacuation procedures in place that the Events Team will be able to discuss with you. They will also provide you with site plans including fire exits, sensors and extinguishers.

Additional measures may have to be included depending on the desired capacity of your event, such as additional fire exits installed in the Gala Pool. Please discuss your plans with the Events Team and they'll be able to advise you.

Hire Fees

We base fees on the access times you require for your event, from load in and build to derig, so therefore cannot give you an accurate quote until we know more about your booking.



Requirements

Refuse:

You will need to provide your own refuse facilities. These can be delivered prior to your arrival, but please discuss this with the team. All refuse must be collected before you leave site.

Queue Control:

Queuing for events can move around the building onto Bax Road, but must stay on the pavement. You should consider the use of pedestrian barriers to manage this.

Smoking and Vaping:

There is absolutely no smoking or vaping permitted inside the building, and you must ensure that customers use the smoking area at the back of the building.

Chewing Gum:

We request that you communicate with your customers that they shouldn't bring chewing gum to the event. We are a Grade II* listed building and dropped gum can cause damage. If we find gum stuck to the building, we will have to charge for clean up.

Cleaning:

You should provide your own cleaners. Time for this must be included in your access times.

Deliveries and Collections:

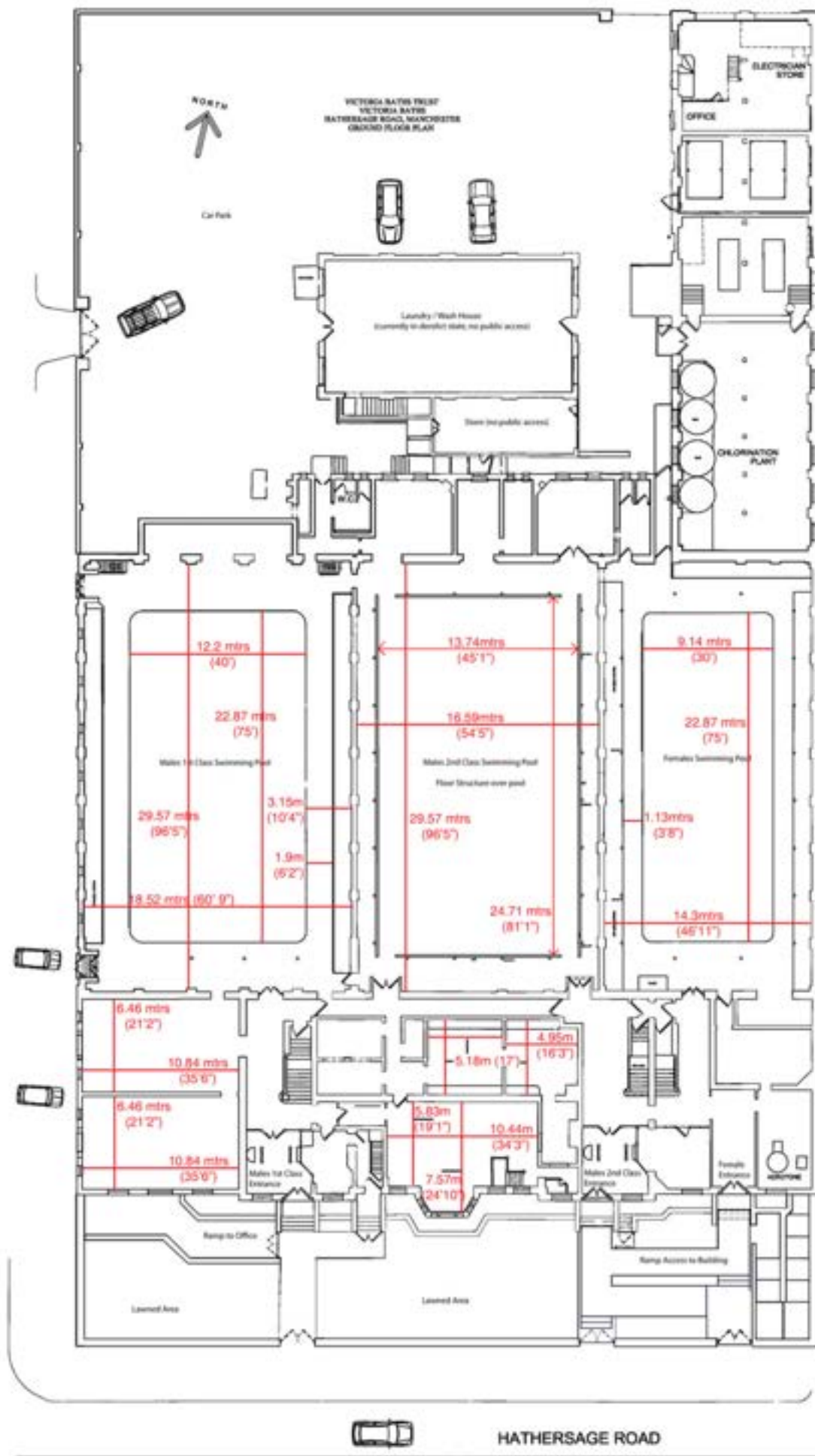
Please include the schedule for these in your access times. We have multiple bookings throughout the week and any delays or activity outside of your access times impacts negatively on bookings either side.

Sound Limits:

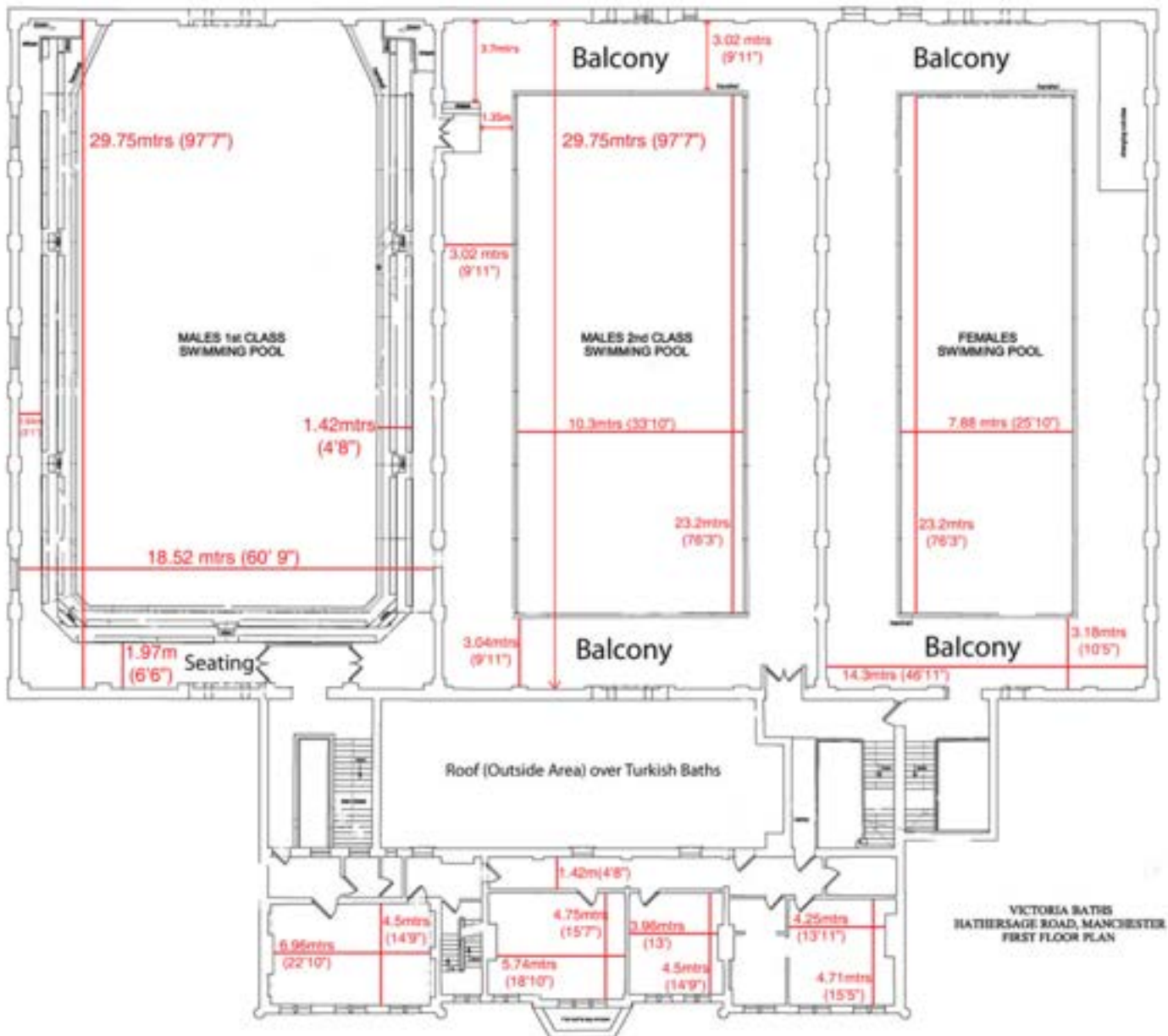
As we are in a residential area, we ask that you work with us to ensure that sound from the event does not negatively impact the residents around the building. We regularly check levels throughout the night and will ask for music to be turned down if it exceeds suitable levels. This also helps us protect the fabric of the building.

Please make sure you read our Hire Terms carefully when booking your event. Any questions, please speak the Events Team.

Ground Floor Plans



First Floor Plans



For any further information, do not
hesitate in getting in touch with our
Events Team.

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