GROUND LEVEL

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Air Shard
Jetting up over 180 feet high and exposed to the elements, the Air Shard is a powerful silhouette in the Manchester skyline. The Air Shard now houses Poppies, a dramatic artwork cascading down inside the unique architecture.

IWM North Café
Take a break during your visit and enjoy delicious meals inspired by the classic flavours of the North West.

LEVEL ONE
Main Exhibition Space

Timeline
From the First World War to the present day

Action Stations – hands-on activities

Silos – 6 separate themed exhibition areas

The WaterWay
Mixing It: The Changing Faces of Wartime Britain reveals the forgotten histories of service personnel and civilians who came to Britain during the Second World War.

Water Shard
Private event space.

Big Picture Show
Immerse yourself in this 360 degree experience using surround sound and projected digital moving images and photographs that brings to life people’s stories of conflict. On the hour 11-4pm.

Please note, the lights in the Main Exhibition Space will be turned down during the Big Picture Show.

YOUR VISIT

Look out for our friendly volunteers wearing red shirts who will happily assist you. Discover personal items from our veterans in the Main Exhibition Space or check the 'What’s on' stands for information on the 10 minute talks powered by our volunteers.

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