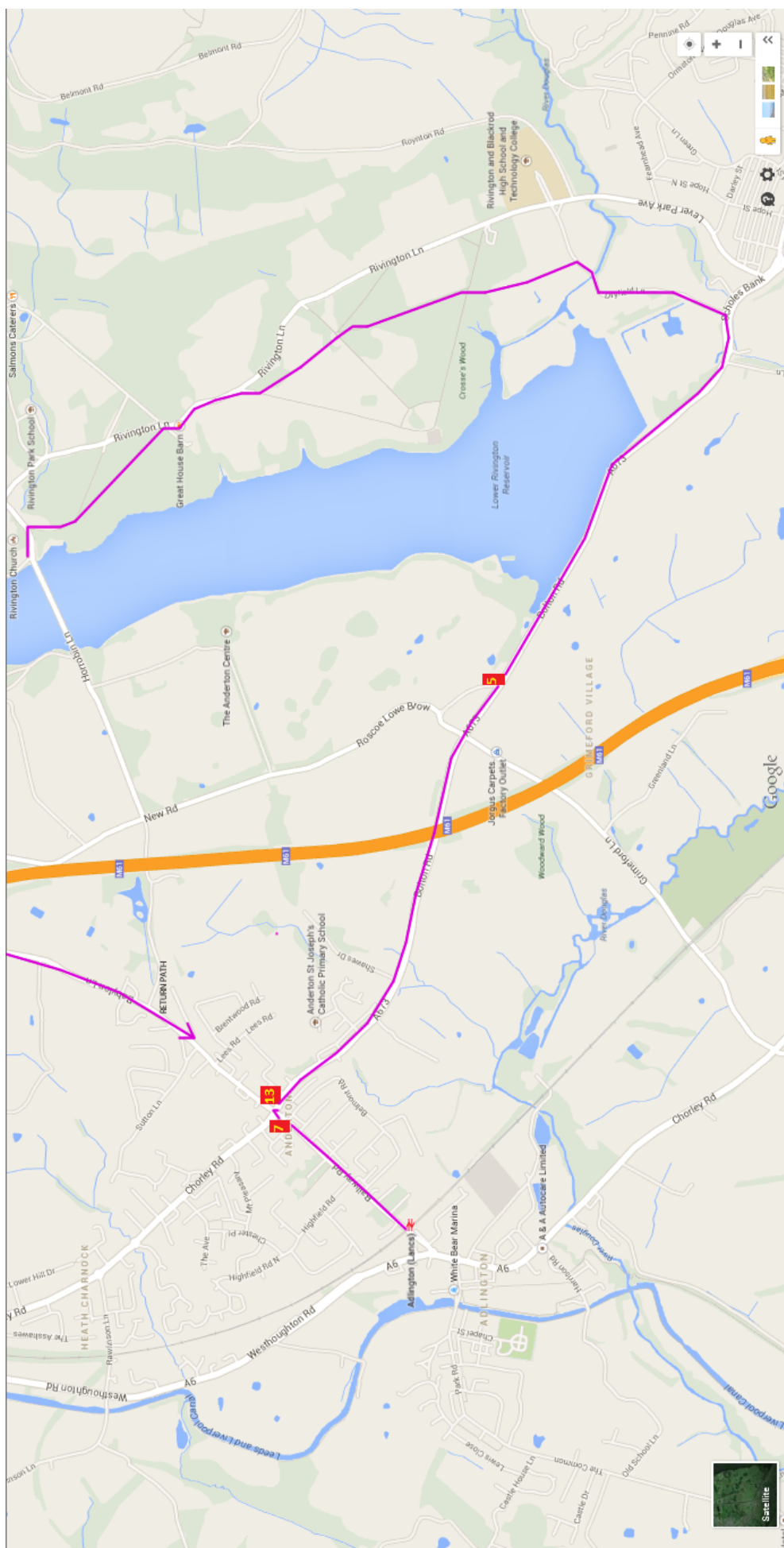
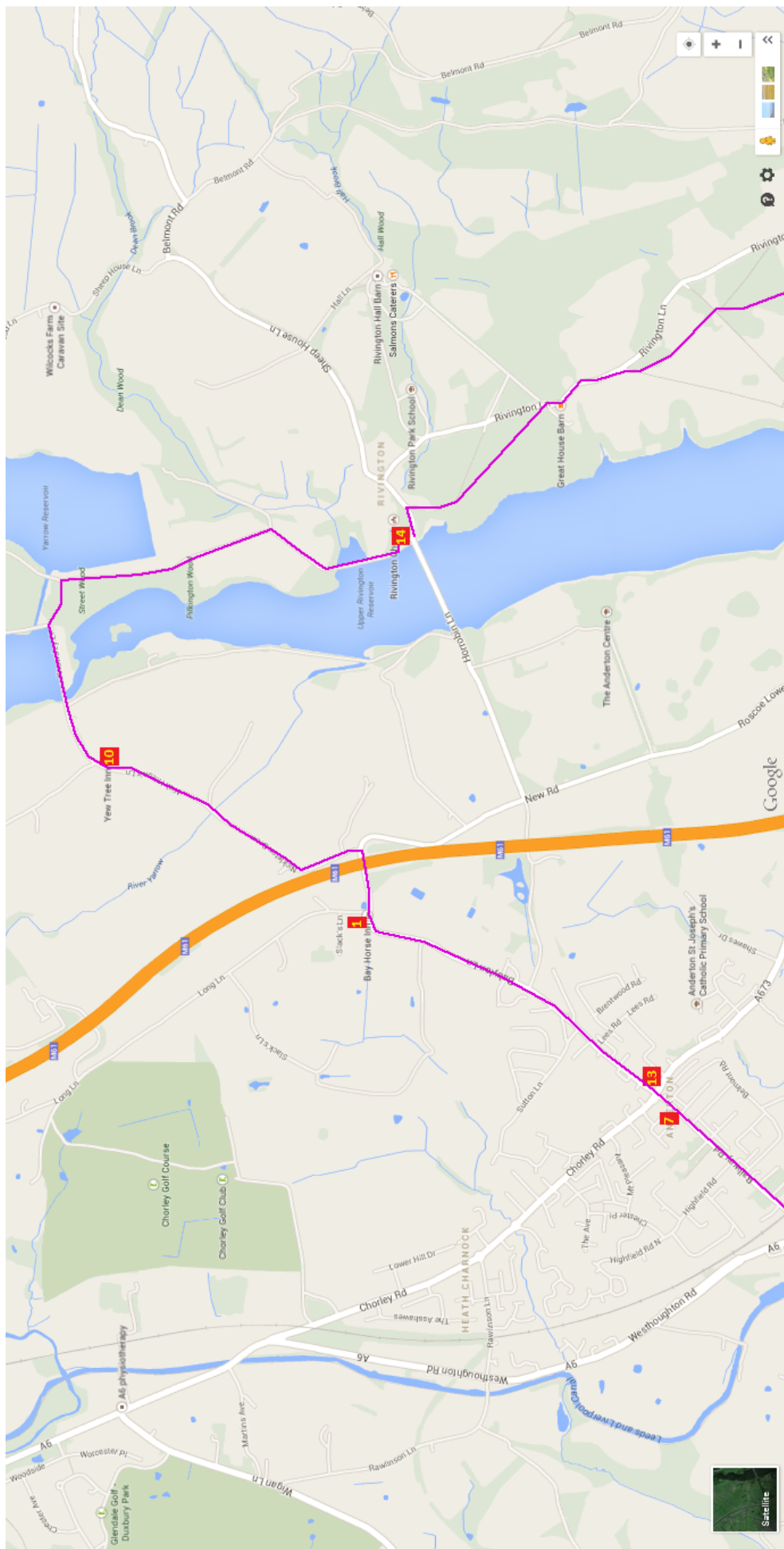


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This walk starts and finishes in Adlington, but takes you to the edge of Horwich, before heading up Rivington way. It does sometimes get muddy in the wooded sections.

1/ Starting as always, at the train station, turn right at the top of the steps, head up Railway Road, crossing over to the left hand path. After about 5-10 minutes, you will reach the Top Spinners.

2/ Leave the Top Spinners and turn left towards the traffic lights. You will see the Elephant and Castle on the opposite corner. Using the crossings, please make your way over. You will be here within 2 minutes.

3/ Go back out of the Elephant door and turn left. This will take you past the Co-op and along Bolton Road, heading towards Horwich. Keep going and you will eventually go under the motorway bridge. Keep straight on and you will come to Lucianos at the Millstone. Pop in here for a drink. You should arrive here in about 20 minutes.

4/ Leave Lucianos by the main door and take a left, which will take you past the reservoir, on the main road. Please be aware, cars travel at speed in this section, so stay on the path. The road will bend left and you will come to Dryfield Lane, the first road on your left. Please go up Dryfield Lane and it will bend right, go over the small stream on the bridge, ignore the driveway on the left, but shortly after, you will come to a path on the left hand side with 2 bollards. Take the pathway which will take you past some playing fields and into the woods. There will be some paths branching off, but please just take the straight path continually, and you will eventually pass a house on your left and then emerge from the woods to another open area. Keep straight and this will bring you to Rivington Lane. Turn left along Rivington Lane, towards the lower barn. Again, be careful as there is fast moving traffic and motorbikes here. Just after the barn, cross the road for the car park entrance and you will see a narrow path, signposted Arboretum. Cut through here and you will emerge at another car park, with a school on your right. This will lead to Horrobin Lane. Turn left here and on the opposite side, you will see the Rivington. Pop in for a drink. This section will take about an hour.

5/ Leave the Rivington by the vehicle gate and turn immediate sharp right, on to the bridleway. This will continue by the side of the reservoir and make sure you take the left fork half way along. You will reach another reservoir on your right, but you will only see the banking! Keep your eyes peeled as there will be a path off to the left, heading slightly downhill, which will bring you on to Knowlsey Lane. Keep left here between the two reservoirs and continue along. You will arrive at the Yew Tree on your left hand side. This section should take 30-40 minutes.

6/ Turn left out of the Yew Tree and head down the hill (Nick Hiltons Lane), then up the other side (Nickleton Brow). There is no path in places, so please take care here. At the end of the road, turn right and over the motorway bridge. You will see the Bay Horse directly in front of you. This should take 20-25 minutes.

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7/ Leave via the rear door and go down Babylon Lane, straight down to the traffic lights. You can now either continue to the train station or revisit the Elephant and Castle! I would do the latter, which would take about 15-20 minutes.

8/ Leave the Elephant and cross directly over the road and continue straight down Railway Road. After a minute, you will see the Top Spinners again, so cross and go in.

9/ Turn right out of the Top Spinners and you should know your way back down the hill to the railway station