

Directions to the Virtual Engineering Centre

The VEC is located in the Hartree Centre, Sci-Tech Daresbury Campus

(www.sci-techdaresbury.com)

Sci Tech Daresbury, Keckwick Lane, Warrington, WA4 4AD

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Car

If coming by car there are many routes from Liverpool, Chester, Warrington, Manchester and other surrounding areas.

Daresbury Laboratory is 5 miles south west of Warrington and 5 miles east of Runcorn, and immediately to the west of the A56 near the village of Daresbury.

It is located 1 mile down the A56 from junction 11 of the M56 motorway, which connects to the national motorway network via the M6 (6 miles east).

From the M6, take Junction 20a and join the M56 towards Chester. Exit the M56 at Junction 11 and take the fourth exit at the roundabout (signposted 'Warrington'). At the first traffic lights, turn left (onto the A558) and take the first exit at the roundabout (signposted 'Sci-Tech Daresbury'). At the next roundabout, take the second exit onto Keckwick Lane and follow signs to STFC Daresbury Laboratory's main reception.

Visit the Main Entrance/Reception of Sci-Tech Laboratory (building opposite the visitor car park) and report to security. Somebody from the VEC will come to collect you.

The Car Parking is free at the Sci-tech Daresbury Site.

Taxi

If you are ordering a taxi to or from local train stations, please find a variety of local companies and their contact numbers:

Halton Taxis	0151 424 1234
Direct Taxi Warrington	01925 244244
APEC Taxis	01928 575757
Key Cars	0151 424 3666
ABC Taxis	01928 577777
Warrington Travel	01925 552255

Mersey Gateway and Runcorn Bridge:

The toll for the Mersey Gateway Bridge is £2 per one way trip – every time you cross. If you fail to pay on the day, you will have to pay by midnight the day after you cross the bridge or you will be issued with a penalty notice of up to £60.

Please visit here to pay online: <http://www.merseygateway.co.uk/>

Train

The nearest train stations are Runcorn, Warrington Bank Quay and Warrington Central. All three stations have taxi ranks outside their main entrance – please ask to be dropped off at the main reception at STFC Daresbury Laboratory on the Sci-Tech Daresbury campus. The taxi journey should take around 15 to 20 minutes.

Train information

- [Rail timetable information \(link opens in a new window\)](#)
- National Rail Enquiries - +44 (0)8457 48 49 50

By Air

The VEC is:

- 25km from Manchester Airport (25mins approx. drive)
- 20km from Liverpool Airport (20-25 mins approx. drive)

Bus: Sci-Tech Daresbury has two bus services that stop on campus, both operated by Halton Transport.

200 Widnes – Sci-Tech Daresbury – Runcorn East Station – Runcorn.

Every hour throughout the day Mon-Fri.

62A Warrington Interchange – Stockton Heath – Sci-Tech Daresbury – Runcorn – Widnes – Halebank.

An hourly service that runs three times in the morning and four times in the evening Mon-Fri.

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