How to get to the Angel Centre

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By Public Transport - Rail

Tonbridge Station is served by regular train services from Charing Cross on the routes to Ashford and Hastings. Make sure that you check that there are no engineering works on the date in question because these may cause diversions or replacement bus services for part of the journey. Tonbridge is also served by trains on the line from Redhill.

Leave the station by the main exit, turn left, and head down towards the High Street. When you get to the bottom of the slope of the bridge you will find Barden road coming in from your left by the Honeymoon restaurant. Go straight ahead into the High Street and cross at the first crossing. On this side of the road are two arcades: Angel Walk or The Pavilion. Go through either and you emerge beside a car park. Cross over the car park or follow the footpaths to the building complex housing Sainsbury's, Beales and the venue, the Angel Centre. The entrance is off the footpath running beside one of the arms of the River Medway.

By Public Transport - Bus

Bus services on Sundays are limited to local services which do not extend very far afield.

Maps

- Map 1 gives you a general area map for orientation.
- Map 2 shows some of the roads with names.
- Map 3 is shows you all of Tonbridge and the location of the Angel Centre.
- Map 4 is a detail map of the immediate area.

By Road

Regular participants at Cavalier will know the routes to get to the general area, however we have some suggestions about getting to the venue with the least hassle.

From the North A21 or M25

If approaching from the North or from the M25, follow the A21 as usual. However, you should NOT leave via the exit pointing to Southborough (where the sloping bridge is) but continue over the brow of the hill and leave at the next exit.

You arrive at a roundabout, take the second exit into Woodgate Way. Follow the road, again a roundabout, again take the second exit, the road will rise up over the railway then descend (Royal Mail sorting office on your left), and you come to another roundabout. Turn left into Vale Road, which you follow, making a sharp right turn through a light industrial estate along Sovereign Way. You will come to a mini roundabout, where you turn left into Ave Le Puy. There is a pedestrian crossing with lights, and immediately after it, turn right into the car park. Ahead of you from the left are Sainsbury, Beales and the Angel Centre. You need to park on the right hand side of the car park area if possible, because that will put you near to the venue.

From the South through Tunbridge Wells and Southborough (A26)

If approaching along the A26 in a northerly direction, go through Southborough towards Tonbridge and then get in the lane for Tonbridge (not for the A21). After the traffic lights on the top of the hill descend into Tonbridge down Quarry Hill. You will reach a roundabout (Shell garage on your right), go straight ahead. There is then another roundabout with the Pembury road to your right. Go straight ahead. You cross the railway and then there is another roundabout. Turn right here into Vale Road and at the mini roundabout go straight ahead. The road the makes a left hand turn with a road going straight on, you turn left into Ave Le Puy. You then take the next left into the car park.

(This route avoids the most vicious speed bumps in the area in the Sainsbury car park).

From the South along the A21

After Tunbridge Wells follow the A21 over the hill and down again. The road curves slightly to the right and make sure you are in the left hand lane as you may otherwise miss the Tonbridge exit. Take the this exit, which curves round sharply to the left and back under the main road, where it comes to a roundabout. Take the third exit into Woodgate Way (the first "exit" is actually no entry). Follow the road, again a roundabout, again take the second exit, the road will rise up over the railway then descend (Royal Mail sorting office on your left), and you come to another roundabout. Turn left into Vale Road, which you follow, making a sharp right turn through a light industrial estate along Sovereign Way. You will come to a mini roundabout, where you turn left into Ave Le Puy. There is a pedestrian crossing with lights, and immediately after it, turn right into the car park. Ahead of you from the left are Sainsbury, Beales and the Angel Centre. You need to park on the right hand side of the car park area if possible, because that will put you near to the venue.

From the North via Hildenborough (B245) or Borough Green (A227)

These routes both emerge by Tonbridge School. Go straight ahead to the High Street, then follow directions in the section marked "Down the High Street"

From the North East via Maidstone (A26)

You approach Tonbridge down the Hadlow Road and Bordyke to the traffic lights by Tonbridge School. Turn left into the High Street.

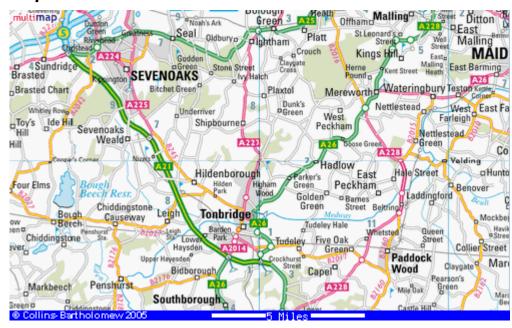
Down the High Street

Follow the High Street until you get to "Big Bridge" where the road crosses the River Medway (castle on your right). Cross the river then immediately take the first left after the Verdigris. This is Medway Wharf Road.

Next, take the first right by Holmes Court. This is Sovereign Way; Iceland, Waitrose and a car park will be on your right. Go ahead until you get to a mini roundabout.

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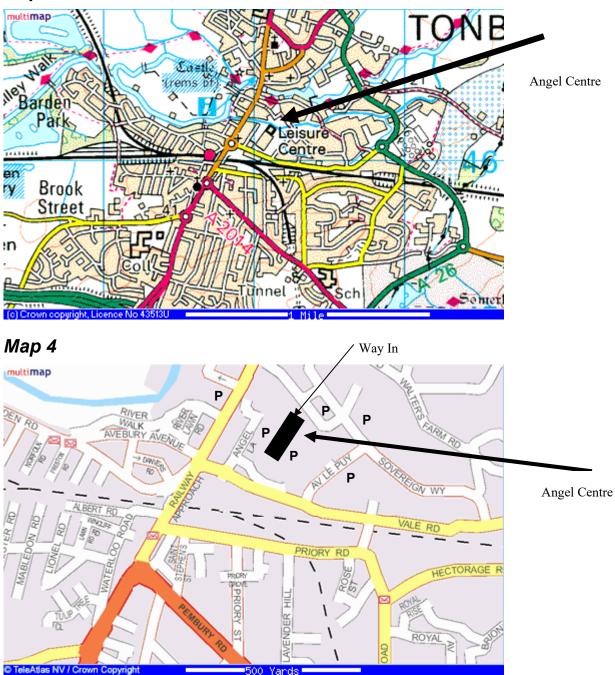
Map 1



Map 2







The above map also shows car parks, which are free on Sundays.

