The Manchester Cycleway South & East is an off-road cycle and pedestrian route from Chorlton in West Manchester through Fallowfield and Levenshulme, up through Gorton and East Manchester to the Velodrome and Sportcity. The route follows the disused Fallowfield railway line, (known as the Fallowfield Loop) the infilled Stockport Branch Canal and the Ashton Canal Tow Path. A branch of the cycleway extends from Debdale Park to Fairfield Railway Station.

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Interesting Facts:

Fact 1: The Fallowfield Loop follows the line of the Thirlmere Aquaduct which brings water from the Lake District to large parts of Manchester.

Fact 2: The Fallowfield Loop is used daily by the Mounted Police, based at Hough End, to exercise their horses.

Fact 3: At 8 miles long the Fallowfield Loop is thought to be the longest urban Cycleway in Britain.

Fact 4: The Fallowfield Loop was previously part of the old 'Manchester Central Station Railway', built in the 1890s and closed in 1988.

Fact 5: The Stockport Branch canal was constructed between 1793 and 1797 and eventually infilled and shut by 1974.

Fact 6: The Ashton Canal forms part of the 'Cheshire Ring' of canals in the region, popular with seasonal pleasure cruisers.

Fact 7: Hough Ends playing fields was home to the Alexandra Park Aerodrome between 1918 - 1924, site of the first domestic flight in the UK.

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