

UPPER TRINITY STREET (AREA 2)

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Upper Trinity Street runs from Adderley Street to Coventry Road and is bounded on one side by factories and offices and on the other by the imposing Duddeston Viaduct. The viaduct itself runs parallel with the mainline railway running into Moor Street station.

However nothing travels along the Duddeston line. Indeed, nothing ever has, as no tracks were ever laid. This could be classed as a folly resulting from acrimony in the 1840s between early railway companies who were competing and merging at the time.

Construction of the viaduct started c1848 and was intended to run to the then Curzon Street station but around 1853 GWR abandoned the work and only 325 metres was ever built, ending in Montague Street.

You can see signs on the upper part of the viaduct evidencing GWR and the former Cattle Market in Upper Trinity Street. There used to be extensive cattle sidings and goods yards in the rear of nearby Bordesley Station.

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