

Wendover Arm Trust

The Trust was formed in 1989 as a registered charity to promote and implement the restoration of the Wendover Arm Canal. The aim of the Trust is to restore the 6¾ miles of the Wendover Arm to full navigable order from its junction with the Grand Union Canal at Bulbourne to Wendover.

The Canal was built as a water-feeder for the main line on Tring summit and was made navigable as far as Wendover wharf. Continual problems with leakage meant that the canal was terminated at the stop lock at Tringford pumping station in the early years of the 20th century and allowed to dry-out for 2¼ miles as far as Drayton Beauchamp, where an underground pipeline took water from Wendover and fed it into Wilstone reservoir and to Tringford pumping station.

In 1997, exactly 200 years after the Arm first opened, work began on its restoration, the first stage being to rebuild Little Tring Bridge, demolished less than 25-years previously, and to construct a ¼ mile section of canal from the stop-lock at Little Tring to a new winding hole (for turning boats) beyond the new bridge. In 1990 the Trust was involved in the public enquiry into the proposed A41 Aston Clinton bypass that resulted in the construction of Saxonway bridge over the canal and restoration of a short section of canal from there to Drayton Beauchamp bridge.

Current restoration work is focussed on re-profiling and lining the dry section of the canal from Drayton Beauchamp to Little Tring and this is now within ½ mile of Little Tring. Regular work parties are held and to see the restoration volunteers at work check for the dates at:

www.wendoverarmtrust.co.uk/restoration

We welcome visitors to view the restoration work and our volunteers are always happy to answer any questions. See directions on the inside leaf of this brochure for how to get to the bridges and the restoration works. A guide to the past, current and expected future restoration work can be found in our leaflet

Restoration – A Brief Guide

A guide to the history of the canal can be found in our booklet:
A Brief History of the Wendover Arm 1793-1968

The Trust is run by a dedicated team of volunteers and is a membership organisation. There is no local or national government subsidy and although the Canal & River Trust owns the canal, it is only permitted by legal constraints to carry out essential maintenance to keep the towpath clear and to ensure the supply of water from Wendover reaches the Tring summit at Bulbourne Junction. All monies are raised through grants, donations and fund-raising activities. For more details visit our website

www.wendoverarmtrust.co.uk

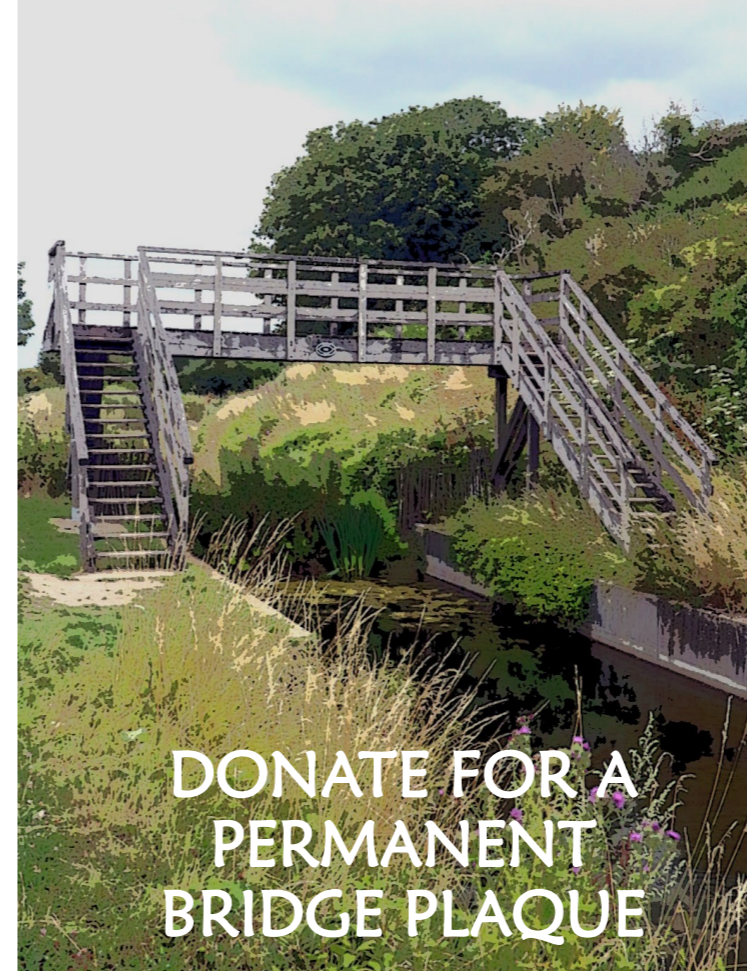
Once completed the Arm will provide a wonderful local amenity to be enjoyed by all including fishermen, walkers, boaters, and all who enjoy and appreciate this unique area of the glorious Chiltern countryside.

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The Wendover Arm Canal

SPONSOR THE RESTORATION



Wendover Arm Trust

Your Personal Plaque – Sponsor the Restoration

As a mark of thanks for any significant donation to the Trust you can have a permanent plaque placed on one of the two wooden footbridges the Trust has built over the canal to record your support for the Trust's work with your name and/or message.

You could use a plaque as a permanent memorial to someone, mark an event or occasion, record a personal dedication or show your organisation's support, donate for one as a surprise gift for someone special to you, or all sorts of other things.

We offer two different types of plaque in three different colours from a simple strip-plaque set into one of the footbridges' steps to a display plaque mounted onto one of the stanchions.

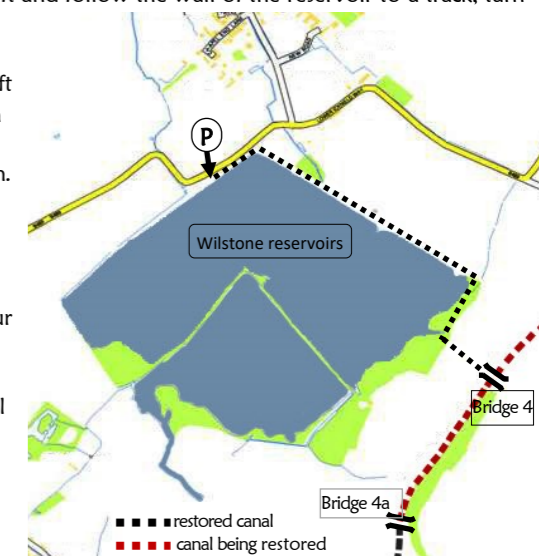
All are cast in zinc with relief lettering and a coloured centre to be weather-proof and scuff-proof. Mounting is permanent with screw fixings. They are all visible to a pedestrian walking or cycling along the towpath or crossing one of the bridges. See inside for full details and you can also see more on our website at:

wendoverarmtrust.co.uk/bridge-plaques.html

Where will I find my plaque?

Park at Wilstone reservoir. Walk up to the top of the reservoir walls, turn left and follow the wall of the reservoir to a track, turn right along it then, after 200 yards, left and uphill on the footpath to the towpath.

Bridge 4 is in front of you. Bridge 4a is 400m to your right and the restoration workings will be found to the left of bridge 4.



My/our donation is:

£ Minimum £50 for a step plaque
£150 for a stanchion plaque

If you want the Trust to claim Gift Aid on your donation please read and confirm the the declaration below:

I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I have given.

Tick here to confirm

STEP PLAQUE

Colour: (tick box that applies) green purple black

Insert your text here (30 characters max. incl. spaces)

STANCHION PLAQUE

Colour: (tick box that applies) green purple black

Insert your text here in lines in the layout you would wish to see.

Maximum 24 characters per line and a maximum of 80 characters including spaces

PLAQUE SPECIFICATION

MATERIAL

Die-cast zinc

SIZE

Step plaque 225mm x 20mm with semi-circular ends

Stanchion plaque 130mm x 90mm with rectangular corners

The diagrams on the right are half-sized

APPEARANCE

Silver-coloured border with silver coloured lettering both in relief on a coloured enamel background as shown in the images on the right

TEXT

24-point Times New Roman Bold, upper and/or lower case

NUMBER OF CHARACTERS

Up to 30 on a step plaque

Up to 80 on a stanchion plaque with the option, by arrangement, of simple graphics

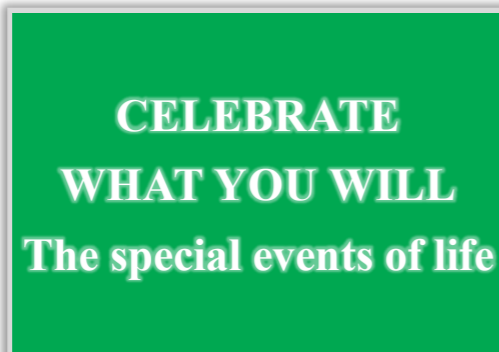
POSITION ON BRIDGE

Step plaques are flush recessed into the access steps or deck and screwed into place

Stanchion plaques are screwed onto the upright supports

ANY EXTRAS?

No, the plaque and its mounting are provided by the Trust as thanks for your donation



STANCHION PLAQUES

Your special event, a green plaque to celebrate

A wedding perhaps – your own, one of your children's/grandchildren's, a favourite niece or nephew?

A special birthday of your own or one of the family's that you'd like to record for posterity – one with a big '0' on the end or perhaps an 18th or 21st birthday?

Or you, or someone special to you, have beaten illness and you want to give thanks for that

Is there exam success, or graduation or passing the driving test that needs to be celebrated? Or maybe you or someone close has received a honour? Or even that you've bought a new boat!

Or have you achieved one of the recognised milestones of marriage and you can't think of what else to do other than have a great big party?

Remember something special in life, a mauve plaque to dedicate

This could be in loving memory of someone special to you who has died, a family member, a friend or even a beloved pet

A past event that has special significance to you or your family

An event that's not celebratory but does need to have its own permanent record

Just donate, a black plaque to record your donation

Perhaps you just want to show support for the Wendover Arm Trust's work in restoring the canal? If so then the black plaque is for you.

Legacies to the Trust would be recorded with a plaque in black

STEP PLAQUES

YOUR NAME or UNIQUE STATEMENT

These can be in any of the three colours depending on your intention to celebrate, remember or simply donate

PERSONALISED PLAQUE REQUEST

I/we wish to donate to the Wendover Arm Trust in aid of its restoration of the canal. In recognition of my/our donation the Trust will produce and fit a permanent plaque to either bridge 4 or 4a in accordance with my/our request below.

YOUR DETAILS:

TITLE (e.g. Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr etc.)

SURNAME

FORENAMES

COMPANY/ORGANISATION If relevant

HOUSE NUMBER/NAME

STREET

TOWN

POSTCODE

TELEPHONE

E-MAIL

SIGNATURE

DATE

Data Protection Statement: The personal details you have given on this form will be retained securely by the Trust for as long as your plaque is in position, these will not be used for any purpose other than to contact you on matters associated with the plaque or the bridge to which it is affixed.

Please continue overleaf to specify the requirements for your plaque then

detach this leaf and send with your cheque to: Wendover Arm Trust, Bridge Plaques, Island House, Moor Lane, Chesham, Bucks HP5 1WA.

If you want to discuss further the Trust's contact details are:

✉ sales@wendoverarmtrust.co.uk

☎ 07547 181857, leave a message and we will reply within 48 hours