

## **Wendover Canal towpath upgrade**

Between June and August more than 80% of this 1.7mile (2.7km) canal towpath between Wendover and Halton is being substantially upgraded by Canal & River Trust with its contractors Kier and the Rothen Group, all of whom have expertise in this work.

This high-specification upgrade will result in an all-weather path of a width of 1.5m, or more where possible, together with bank reinforcing, a strong membrane, a solid foundation and a 50mm surface of Centrack which is limestone-based, highly durable, widely used and particularly suited to this rural environment.

The improvement will enable people of all ages and abilities to use the towpath throughout the year. So families, schoolchildren, walkers, runners, cyclists and those with reduced mobility will all be able to use the path whatever the weather or time of year.

This project has been made possible through funding from the HS2 Chiltern AONB Review Group (with the substantial support of Chilterns Conservation Board), Wendover Parish Council, Wendover Community Board, Lionel Abel-Smith Trust and Halton Parish Council. We are grateful to all of these organisations for their support which is much appreciated.

The funding bids for all of these organisations have been led by Wendover Canal Trust, and our next objective is to obtain grants for the remaining 520 yards (480m) to the centre of Halton. We hope to obtain this by 2024.

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