Waterways at the Heart of the Community

Waterworks: Reconnecting the Past to the Future

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Core Partnership of Senior Representatives Steering Group
Quarterly Meetings

Officer Working Group
Monthly Meetings

Individual Partners

Local Communities & Volunteers
The Canal is an important part of the industrial heritage of Wales, its landscape & communities.

- It contains nationally important structures & buildings.
- In 2012 the canal celebrated its bi-centenary year.
- A project which engages the commitment of community volunteers.
Waterworks Achievements - Highlights

- 270+ Volunteers
- 7000+ Volunteer Days
- 70% of NEET's and Unemployed moved onto a positive Outcome
- Six Locks, Four Listed Structures in a Conservation Area Restored by Volunteers
- 10+ Accredited training Qualification offered to Volunteers
- 5 Jobs Growth Wales Placements
- New heritage metal Lock Gates developed and installed
- 3 training Organisations involved & Local Schools
- Community Events and Visitor Nature Trail Created
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Waterworks Project Awards

The Guardian Award
Sponsored by Historic Environment Scotland

Finalist
Waterworks

The Leadership Award
Sponsored by Loch Ness by Jacobite

Finalist
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Waterworks Media Coverage
Waterworks Video
Future Opportunities

• Continued volunteering
• Continued accredited training expanding to work in partnership with Canal College.
• Phased restoration on un navigable section of canal
• Extending navigation on the Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal
• Using the Canal as a tourist attraction
• Further partnership working across the country and Europe
Canalathon 2017

“The Year of Legends” in Wales
With an International element

- Team Endurance Challenge over 35 miles canoeing, cycling and walking following the route of the Canal, Pontymoile to Brecon.
- This year partnered with the Canal du Midi (WHS)
- Supported by
  - ‘Local Partnership
  - ‘The European Network for Rural Development
Regeneration Engineering Works

Cwmbran ‘Five Locks’
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Proposed New Road Bridge, Deep Lock & Underpass

We need your Support
An Asset for the Future

In Celebration of the Past, To Inform the Present and Encourage the Future

Thank You