

# NORTHERN CANALS ASSOCIATION

The informal meeting place for waterway restoration groups

\*President - Keith Gibson Chair - Ivan Cane\*

# Autumn meeting – Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023 Developing community engagement in canal restoration

**Hosts: Manchester Bolton & Bury Canal Society** 

Venue: The Outreach Centre, 35-37 Blackburn St, Radcliffe, Manchester M26 1NR

Welcome to Radcliffe – at the heart of the summit on the Manchester Bolton & Bury Canal



# **Programme**

- 10.00 Coffee Tea & Coffee will be available throughout the day at the centre.
- 10.15 Introduction and welcome to Radcliffe and the MBBC Ivan Cane (NCA) / Paul Hindle (Chair, MBBCS)
- 10.45 **Session 1**: *Restoration and development* session chaired by Chris Nash, MBBCS trustee

  1A: *The local developers' perspective* Three developers 10 mins each [With Q&A]

- 11.40 **1B:** *The National Restoration Perspective* Patrick Moss, Chartered Planner, Moss Naylor Young. [With Q&A]
- 12:15 *Movie Magic* Matthew Clark MBBCS council member showcases extracts of his movies of the canal
- 12.45 Buffet lunch at the venue
- 13.30 **Session 2:** *Community engagement in canal restoration* session chaired by David Barnes MBBCS trustee
  - 2A: Community groups on the canal [4 groups, 10 mins each plus Q&A]
  - 2B: Storymapping with CRT Rob Langdon (CRT) [15 mins]
- 14.40 Presentation by Tracey Clarke of the **Accessible Waterways Association** followed by the **Group Updates** \*
- 15:35 Break
- 15:45 Summary Al Franco, MBBCS trustee followed by Welcome to Lichfield Bob Williams
- 16.00 Group walk to Water Street location of MB&BC [with demonstration of Storymapping]
- 17.00 Close

The cost for the day, including lunch, is £15.00.

Options are:

- Cheese & Onion Pie, chips & beans
- Veg Curry, rice and naan bread

Gluten Free options can be available, but please let us know when booking if you require these. Also please advise us in advance of any allergies. We cannot guarantee a nut-free environment. Please note that the Outreach Centre café is a meat-free environment. If you choose to eat meat please do so only in the main room.

# If possible, please pay online to:

"Northern Canals Association", account no. **00513800**, sort code **30-96-26**. Please give your Society/Trust/Organisation name as reference and send an email to our new email address northern.canals2021@btinternet.com with details of who will be attending, and meal choice. Also, please indicate if you wish to give an update on your group's work. Bookings are not confirmed until monies are received.

If you prefer, cheques to be made payable to Northern Canals Association and sent with details of those attending to Ivan Cane, Northern Canals Association, 36 Hayes Lane, Fakenham, Norfolk NR21 9ER (Tel: 01328 862435)

In either case, please reply by **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023** so that catering arrangements can be finalised. Receipts can be supplied, on request, on the day.

<sup>\*</sup> There will be 6 update slots available for canal societies – 7 minutes each.

# **OUR SPEAKERS**

Patrick Moss is Director of Moss Naylor Young, who specialise in waterway regeneration. Patrick has 32 years post qualification experience in waterway regeneration, land use and transport planning, working across the UK and internationally on a range of projects from small local regeneration and renovation schemes to major infrastructure projects such as Thames Tideway Tunnel and Crossrail. Patrick is an approved monitor for the Heritage Lottery Fund and a member of the Royal Town Planning Institute. Patrick's recent work has been with navigation and regeneration and he was an expert witness at the planning appeal for the Creams Mill housing development adjacent to the MB&BC.

## **Developers session**

Representatives from Peel Holdings, Watson Homes and Scarborough Group will present their experiences of working alongside the Manchester Bolton & Bury Canal

# **Community Groups session**

Representatives from Radcliffe Litter Pickers, Little Britain Anglers, Radcliffe Athletic Club and Mytham Primary School will present their experiences of using the canal and towpath environment as a resource for leisure, education and wellbeing.

**Rob Langdon** is a Let's Coordinator with Canal & River Trust North West. Rob has been working with MBBCS on a Storymapping project.

#### The Venue

The venue, at 35-37 Blackburn Street, Radcliffe, is the new community hub of Outreach, which, for the past 35 years has been successfully providing a range of services supporting adults with a learning disability and/or long term mental needs, to live an independent life. The building was opened in 2020, providing meeting facilities, recreational spaces, kitchen and cafe as well as accessible toilets.





#### **DIRECTIONS**



The Outreach Centre (M26 1NR) is near the centre of map 1, underneath the pink heart between

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names of Dunelm and Kitten, on the corner of Blackburn Street and Railway Street. There are small car parks on Railway Street (M26 1AB) and Cross Street (M26 2UH) and parking on local streets off

#### Blackburn

Street, that are currently free on Sundays – BUT CHECK SIGNS ON THE DAY AS REGULATIONS CHANGE AT SHORT NOTICE. Please park with consideration to local residents. DO NOT park on Dunelm's car park. The entrance to the Outreach Centre is on Blackburn Street.



Railway St Radcliffe car park



Cross St Radcliffe car park

#### BY RAIL AND BUS

Trains run to Bolton Interchange from all Manchester stations, usually taking approximately 25 minutes. The 524 bus from Bolton Interchange goes to Radcliffe bus station which is 5-minute walk to the Outreach Centre. The bus journey is usually 24 minutes.

Metrolink trams run from several locations in Manchester to Radcliffe metrolink stop on Spring Lane which is a 10 to 15-minute walk to the Outreach Centre.

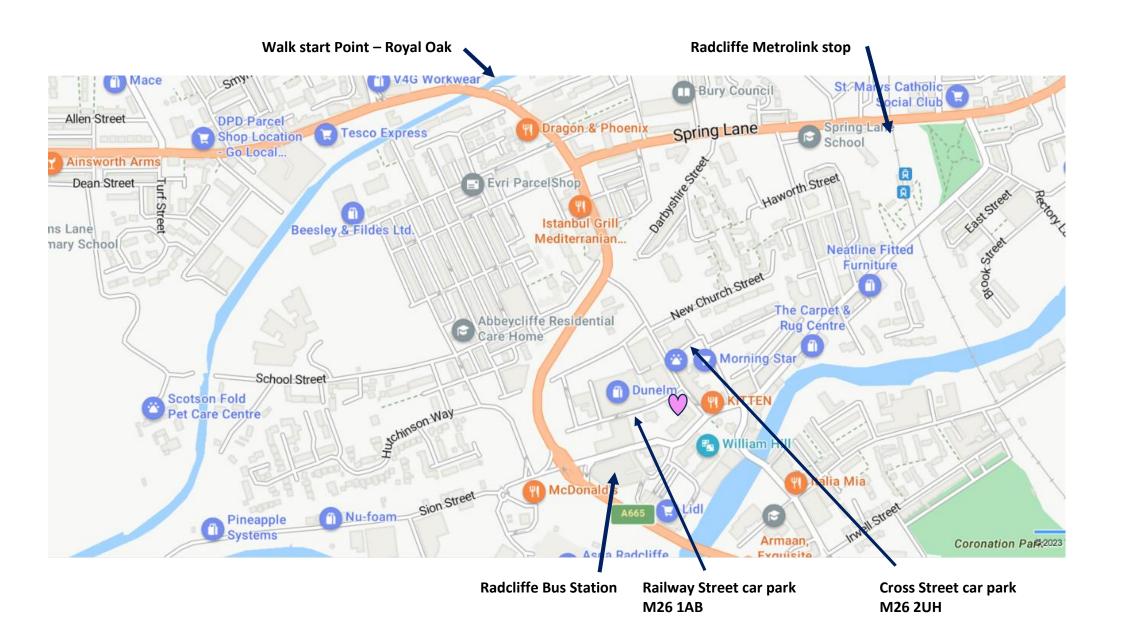
The metrolink from Manchester also goes to Bury interchange where the 524 bus can be taken to Radcliffe, a journey on the bus that usually takes 12 minutes.

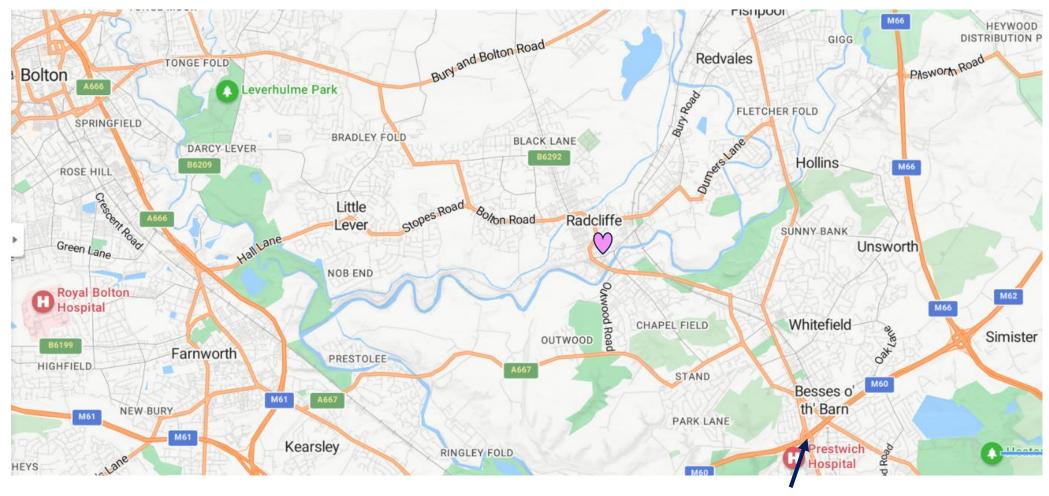
#### **BY ROAD**

From the north east/Yorkshire/east Midlands – M62 then M60 to junction 17 where you go north up the A56 for half a mile and then take the left turn on to the A665. This road takes you through to the centre of Radcliffe.

From the North west – M61 then M60 to junction 17 where you go north up the A56 for half a mile and then take the left turn on to the A665 . This road takes you through to the centre of Radcliffe.

From the West Midlands – either: [1] M6 to junction 19; take the A556 north to M56; M56 east to the junction with the M60; take signs for Bolton, Preston, Leeds to join M60; then come off at junction 17 where you go north up the A56 for half a mile and then take the left turn on to the A665. This road takes you through to the centre of Radcliffe. Or, [2] M6 to junction 21A; M62 to junction the Eccles interchange joining M60 taking the direction to Bolton and Leeds; then continue on M60 until junction 17 where you go north up the A56 and then take the left turn on to the A665. This road takes you through to the centre of Radcliffe.





Junction 17 (M60)

