

# Restore the Montgomery Canal! Adferwch Gamlas Maldwyn!

**Will you help volunteers restore more of the Montgomery Canal?**



- Nearly two thirds of the canal open already.
- Restoration in Wales will extend the canal to the Shropshire border.
- Just two miles of derelict canal in Shropshire: We are raising £250,000 towards the cost of the next stages of the restoration

**DONATE NOW**  
so we can continue restoration!

**\*\* First £50,000 already raised \*\***

## **Achievements in 2023...**

- Another 1½ miles reopened in Shropshire (to Crickheath)
- Reconstruction of the last lowered road bridge in Shropshire (Schoolhouse Bridge)
- In Shropshire volunteers have started on the next section of derelict canal – but need funding to carry on.

[www.localgiving.org/charity/restorethemontgomerycanal](http://www.localgiving.org/charity/restorethemontgomerycanal)



The Montgomery Canal is valued for natural beauty and its special built and natural heritage. Built over 200 years ago as a 'branch line' of the Shropshire Union network across Shropshire, Cheshire, Staffordshire and Wales, it fell derelict in the 1930s and is now owned by national waterway charity the Canal & River Trust.

Over the years decayed locks, bridges and aqueducts have been restored and now more than half the canal is open for boats again. Walkers and anglers enjoy the towpath and canalside nature reserves are havens for plants and wildlife. The rural economy has benefited.

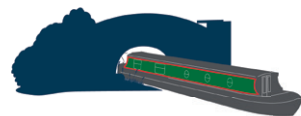
In Wales, the next few years can see the isolated Welshpool section extended to the border at Llanymynech with Levelling-Up and other funding.

Volunteers have been at work on the canal for over 50 years most recently successfully completing the extension of the derelict canal 1 1/2 miles to Crickheath, south of Oswestry. **Now it's just two miles to Llanymynech.**

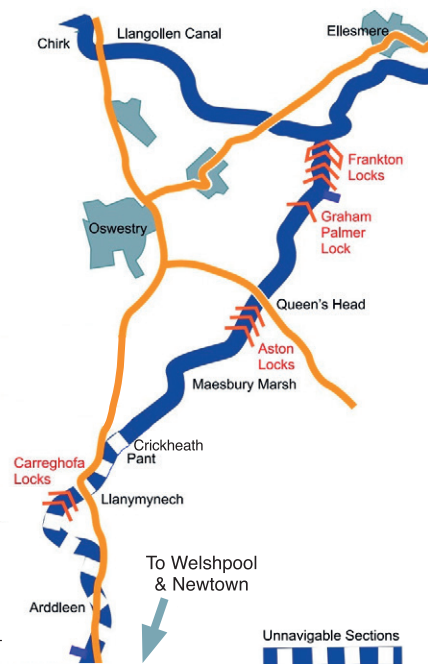
The next task is to rewater the derelict canal to the rebuilt Schoolhouse Bridge. The committed volunteers of the Shropshire Union Canal Society (working with Canal & River Trust) will keep the cost of this work to a minimum but still need money for plant hire and materials.

Gifts of more than £500 will be acknowledged with a certificate of thanks.

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## Can you support Tim and Pru's appeal for the money we need to restore more of this wonderful Canal?



*"Volunteers working on the very special Montgomery Canal have successfully restored the canal to Crickheath – on time and on budget. Generous supporters' donations have funded the reconstruction of Schoolhouse Bridge, the last highway blockage in Shropshire. With just two miles derelict in England can you now help the volunteers to reopen more of the canal towards the Welsh border?"*

**- Tim West and Pru Scales (stars of TV's "Great Canal Journeys")**

## We are raising £250,000... and we have £50,000 already!

With a 25% tax rebate from Gift Aid, a £10 donation becomes £12.50, £25 becomes £31.25 and a gift of £50 becomes £62.50.

**You can give now at:**

**[www.localgiving.org/charity/restorethemontgomerycanal](http://www.localgiving.org/charity/restorethemontgomerycanal)**

OR – fill in the form overleaf

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Your generosity can make a real difference. Without further funds, the volunteers will have to slow or stop. A monthly or annual donation can help forward planning but any gift will be very welcome.



**Volunteers hard at work on the Crickheath section just finished.**

Restore the Montgomery Canal! is promoted by the Montgomery Waterway Restoration Trust with support from Friends of the Montgomery Canal (the membership section of MWRT), the Shropshire Union Canal Society (Charity No. 245875) and Inland Waterways Association (Charity No. 612245), Shrewsbury District & North Wales branch.

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# Help us to Restore the Montgomery Canal!

## Bank Standing Order Mandate for monthly donation

To Bank Name \_\_\_\_\_ Bank Address \_\_\_\_\_

Account Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sort code \_\_\_\_\_ Account No \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay 'Restore The Montgomery Canal!' HSBC Bank, Oswestry:

Sort code 40 35 32 Account No: 32001128

the sum of: £25/£20/£10/£5/£.....\* on [date] .....

and thereafter at monthly\*/yearly\* intervals until further notice. \* delete according to choice

## Single Donation

I wish to make a gift of \_\_\_\_\_

You can give online ([www.localgiving.org/charity/restorethemontgomerycanal](http://www.localgiving.org/charity/restorethemontgomerycanal))

or by cheque payable to 'Restore the Montgomery Canal!'

Please tick this box if you require an acknowledgment.

Larger donors will receive a certificate:

Gold certificate for £1,000 or more; silver certificate for over £500.

## Gift Aid Declaration

**You can boost your donation by 25p for every £1 you give.** The Montgomery Waterway Restoration Trust, which holds the Restore the Montgomery Canal! funds, can reclaim Gift Aid from the tax you pay. We need your address to identify you as a current UK taxpayer.

I want to Gift Aid my donation and any donations I make in the future to the Montgomery Waterway Restoration Trust.

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

*Please inform the Montgomery Waterway Restoration Trust if you want to cancel this declaration. change your name or home address or no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains. If you pay income tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.*

## Keep in touch

Please tick this box so we can tell you what is happening on the Montgomery Canal.  
We will not share your data otherwise.

## Please sign and add your name and address

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ First name/Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Please return this form to: Restore the Montgomery Canal!!

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