

How your contribution will help

The Trust's main income comes from licence fees, but there's a sizeable funding shortfall between that and the cost of keeping our river at its safest and beautiful best.

Our small engineering team slashed costs by bringing maintenance work in-house and bolster the budget by undertaking contract work in between improving the navigation, as well as reacting fast to the results of nature's dramas and flood-wrought emergencies.

The team is always busy keeping a friendly eye on boaters and river users, keeping everyone up to date with river conditions.

Your donations and legacies are most gratefully received and help us to future-proof the infrastructure and branch out with new projects.



A VERY BIG THANK YOU

However many times we say it, we can't thank you enough for your contributions, but we will make sure they are part of our living history. We have launched a River Avon Roll of Honour to celebrate forever all those who are part of this marvellous journey. The Roll of Honour will be part of the Trust's online archives, as a mark of our heartfelt thanks. But your contribution, and the good it does, will make an even bigger splash down the ages.



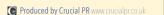
MY RIVER AVON LEGACY

If you would like make a donation, or to include a bequest in your Will, please contact the office:

- in writing at Avon Navigation Trust: Mill Wharf, Mill Lane, Wyre Piddle, Nr Pershore, Worcestershire WR10 2JF.
- by telephoning 01386 552517
- or email office@avonnavigationtrust.org.

We will request your contact details, who you would like the gift attributed to and we will offer you the opportunity to provide a 45 word comment or tribute in the Roll of Honour.

If you wish for a special memorial at a specific location then we are happy to discuss that.





Your gift will be a living legacy

Join us in becoming part of our beautiful River Avon's ever-flowing story.

Avon Navigation Trust



Your friendly local waterway

Your gift to future generations

The River Avon, springing from its source near Naseby and running 96 miles to Tewkesbury, has been a beautiful, bustling beacon through history.

The Avon Navigation Trust (ANT) charity, powered by countless volunteers, is proud to be part of today's River story.

We are honoured, and humbled, to have our work

supported by bequests and donations, all for the love of the Avon.

We are merely custodians of this wonderful natural treasure. Our duty is to protect and enhance this sparkling jewel for future generations.

Thank you for being part of that by remembering us in your Will or making a donation to celebrate a loved one.



LEISURE, PLEASURE

and a whole lot more

As well as working to administer, maintain and improve the River Avon for boaters, locals and visitors, we have created some very special projects for both the community and the planet.

- Navigation Heritage: continuing to maintain, refurbish and improve our historic 350 year old navigation.
- The ANT Squad: introducing youngsters the next generation's boaters and volunteers to the joys of the River.
- Neptune: the 60-year-old ex-BWB (British Waterways Board) motorised hopper is being reborn as our youth and teaching flagship.
- Pershore Lock Island Wildlife Haven: planted with memorial trees and wildflowers and being made wheelchair and wildlife friendly.
- **Evesham Lock Island:** to be transformed into our second wildlife haven, plus a youth activity centre.
- **Eco-enhancement:** our Consultant Ecologist helps us to protect and expand our teeming river world.



THE RIVER OF LIFE

We follow on from a tireless procession of people who have played such a big part in the River Avon's journey. They include King Charles I, who issued an authorisation for the navigation to be built in 1635. Three hundred years on Charles Douglas Barwell OBE and the

Lower Avon Navigation Trust led legions of volunteers to restore the river from Tewkesbury to Evesham. Then David Hutchings MBE and troops of supporters who worked their magic on the stretch to Stratford. Today the Avon Navigation Trust cares for 17 locks and the 46 navigable miles from Tewkesbury to Alveston weir. Its people-powered work reaches far wider...