



# Maidenhead Waterways

*'.. bringing The Thames into town'*

**Maidenhead Waterways Group  
Annual General Meeting  
1<sup>st</sup> November 2016**



**Jon Reekie**

**Secretary**

# **AGM 1st November 2016**

## **Agenda**

- **Welcome - Jon Reekie**
- **Approval of Minutes 15/10/2015 AGM**
- **Presentations: Richard Davenport; Chris Mitchell/John Morgan**
- **2015/16 Financials - David Snelgar**
- **Election of Directors/Trustees**
- **Ordinary Resolutions & reappointment of Independent Examiner**
- **AOB/Questions (... then refreshments!)**

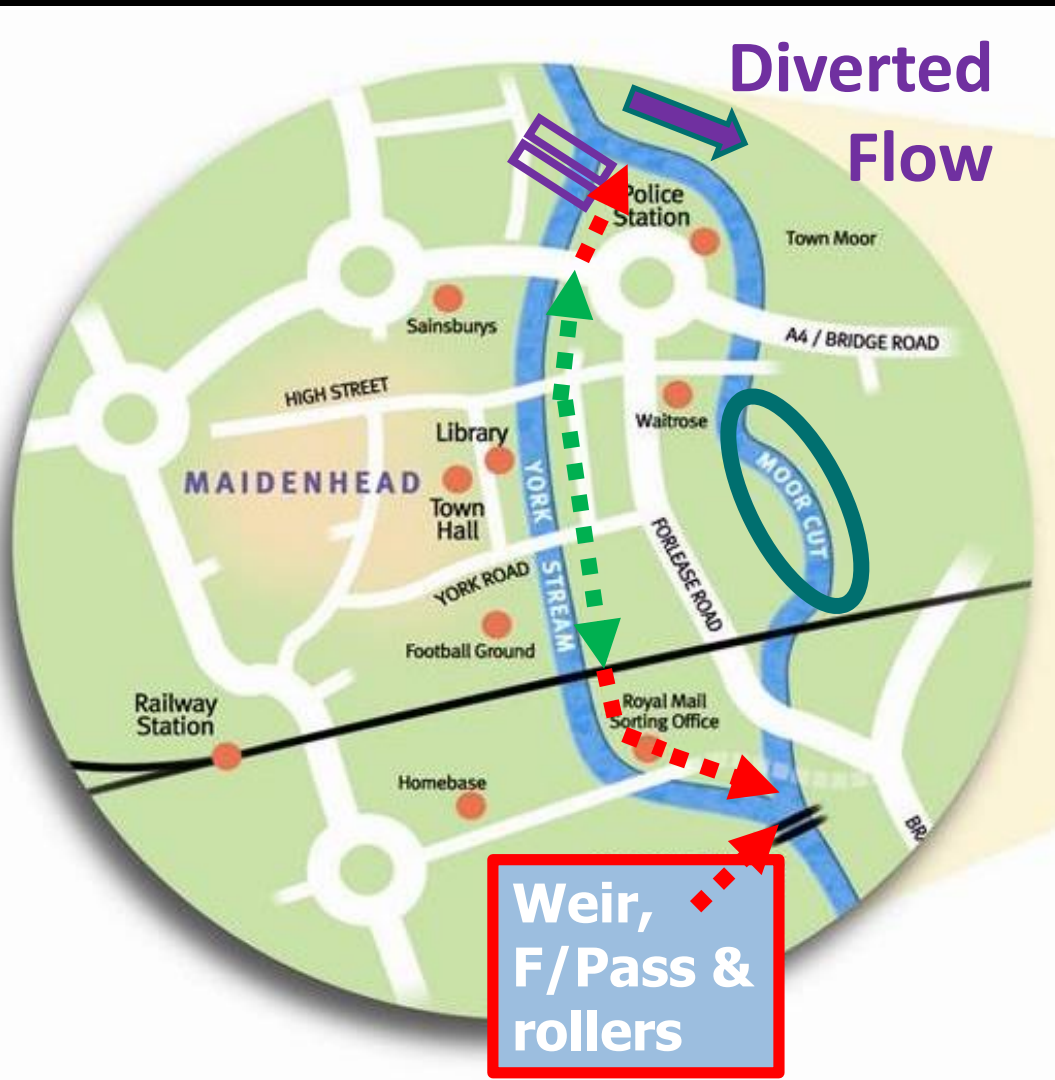
# **Richard Davenport**

## **Chair of the Trustees**

# 2015/16


- Major progress on Phase 1 (the 'Ring'); Stages 1 & 2 funded, well underway
- Channel works commenced July 2015
- Strong MW/RBWM partnership - £5.5m of developer funding committed to date
- Entire York Stream arm of waterway now contracted; first section completed
- Adjoining Chapel Arches (south) developments are nearing completion; helping to fund the waterway

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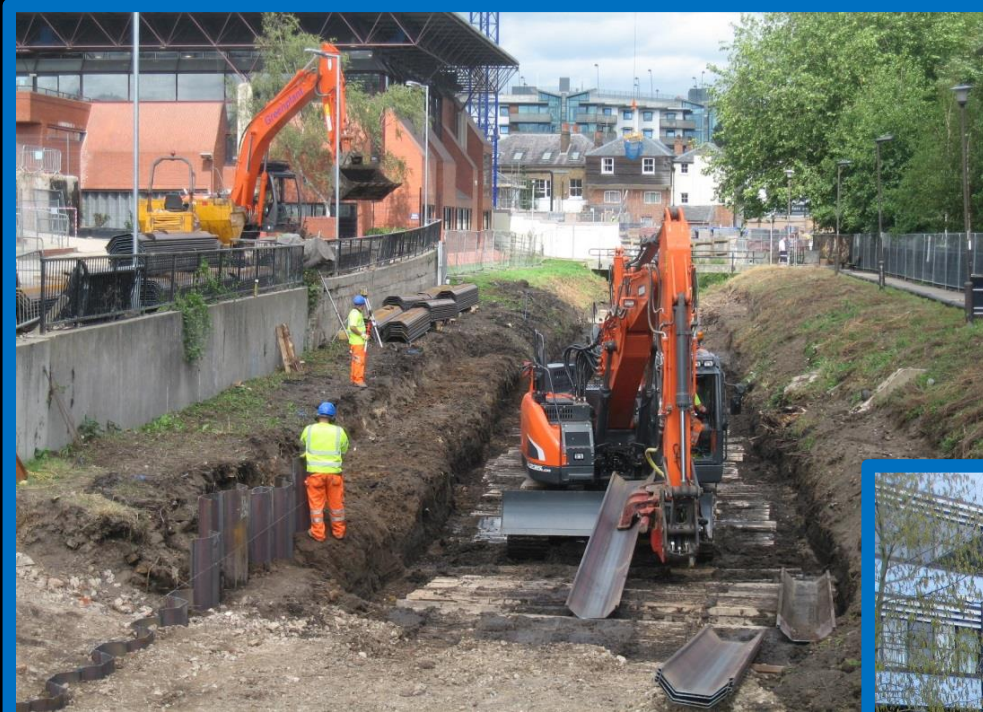
# 2015/16 (cont.)

- Channel clearances continue, ongoing maintenance programme being developed with riparians & RBWM
- Strategy for funding Stage 3 of the 'Ring' now agreed with RBWM
- Long term evolution strategy for future navigation developed by MW
- Rotary led 'Friends of Maidenhead' shop shared our plans & progress
- Volunteer pool & partnerships slowly growing; including more corporates

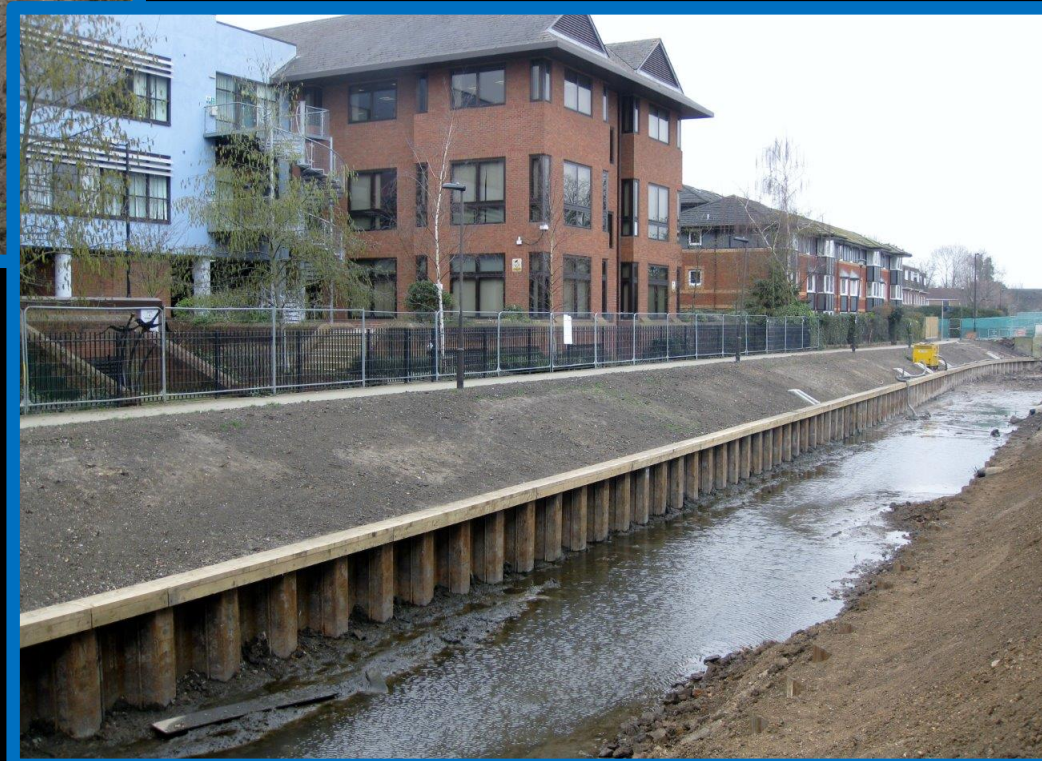


# Year in pictures

**Piling started  
by Library  
- Aug 2015**



**Finished  
banks  
- May 2016**







**Channel works  
towards Town  
Moor underway  
- Jun 2016**

**Taking shape  
& filling with  
rainwater  
- Sep 2016**





**Channel by  
Hines Meadow  
car park  
- Jun 2016**

**Path being  
flood proofed**

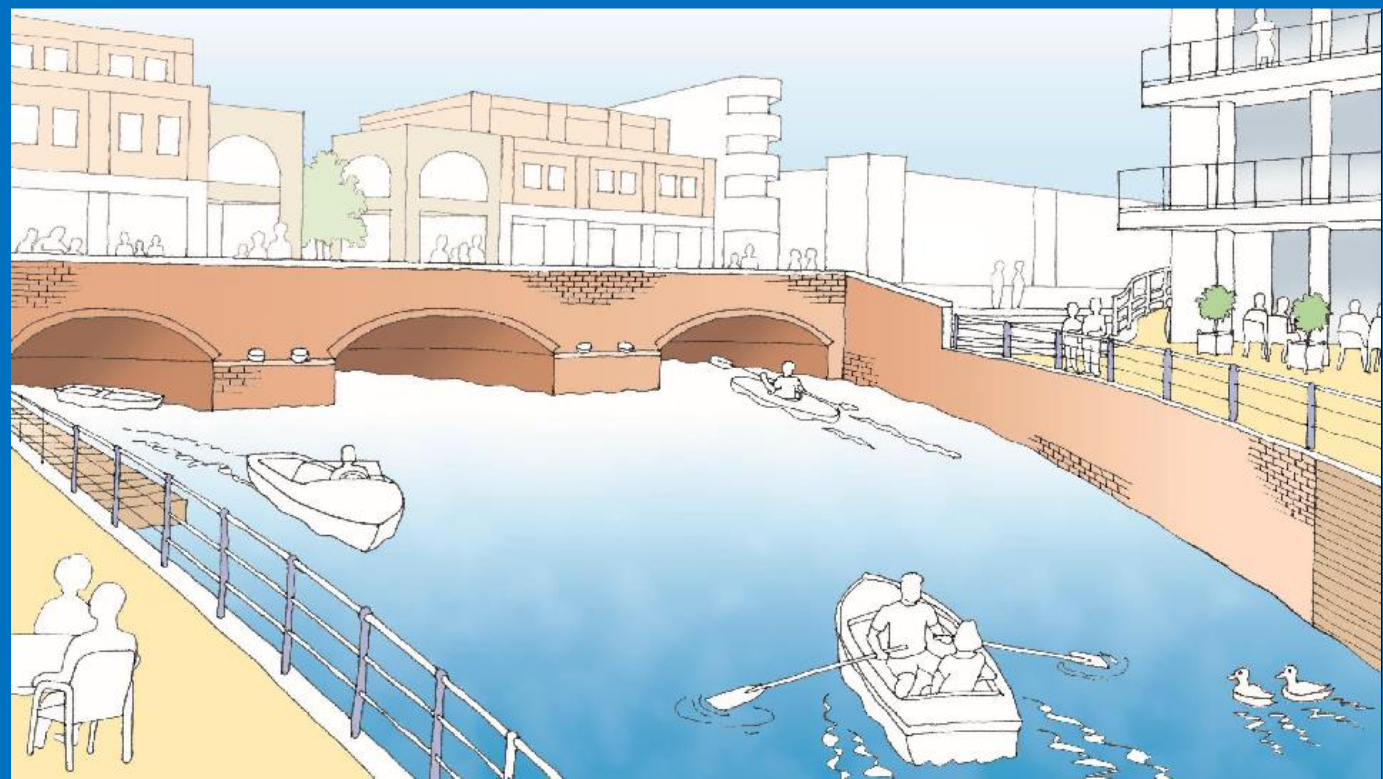




# Chapel Arches excavated & underpinned - Oct 2016



**Final  
design for  
the basin**





**First completed  
section; York  
Rd to GWR  
- Jul 2016**



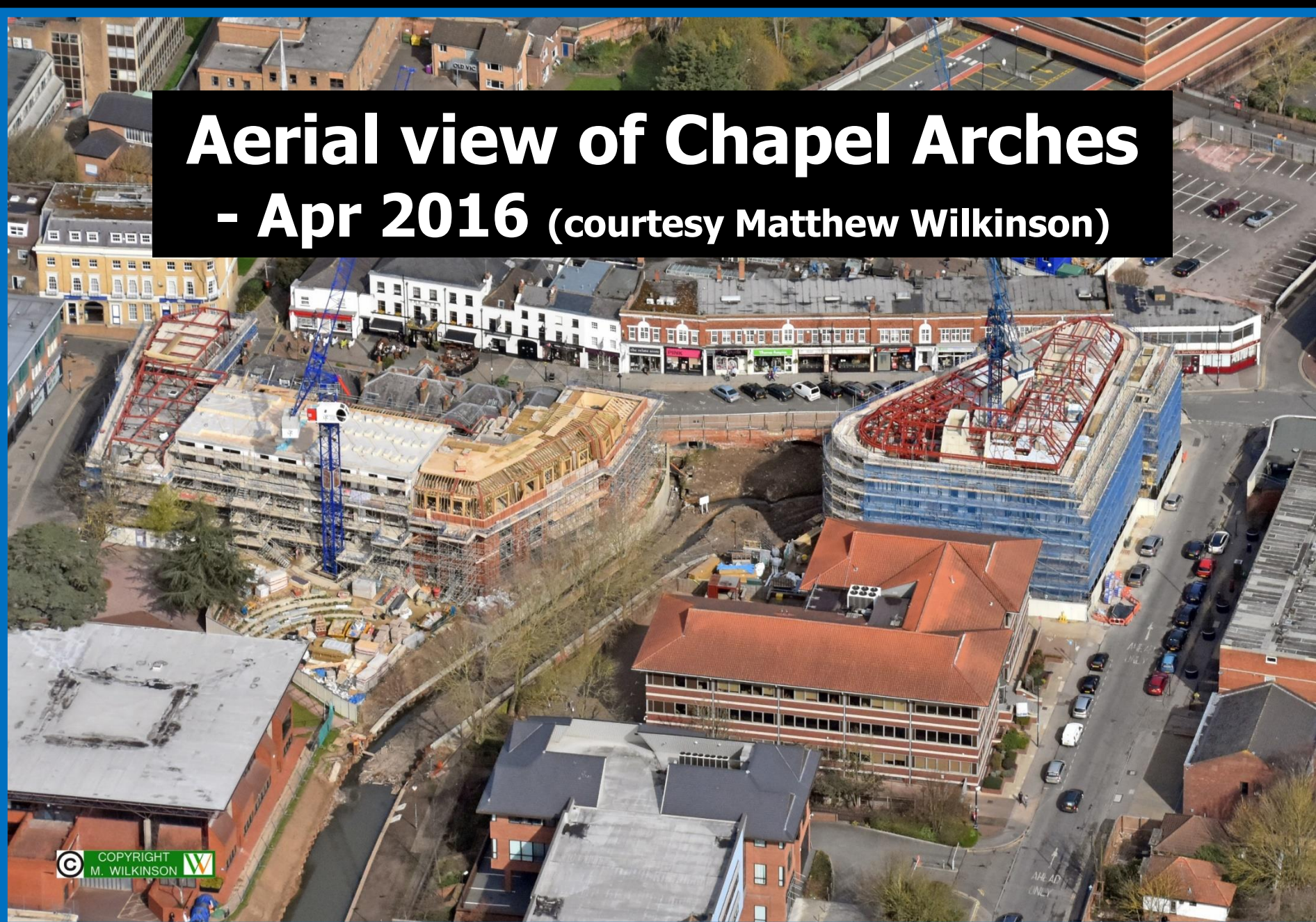
**Works start  
below GWR  
towards  
Green Lane  
- Sep 2016**





# Aerial view of Chapel Arches

- Apr 2016 (courtesy Matthew Wilkinson)





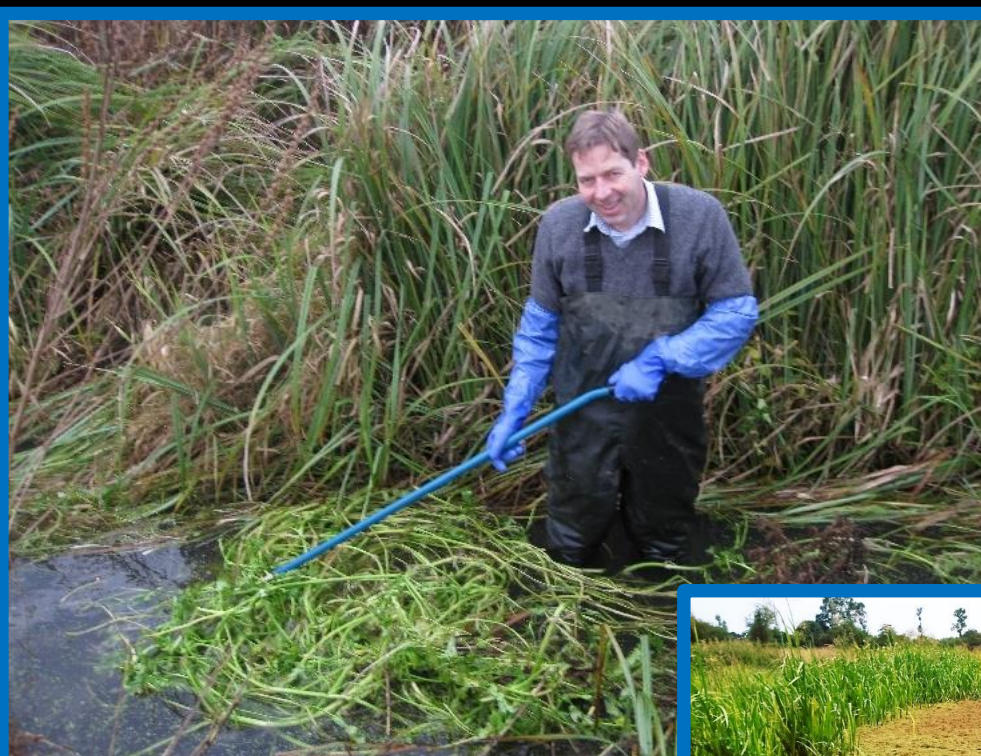


**Amphitheatre  
taking shape on  
Library lawn  
- Sep 2016**

**Restored/converted  
Berkshire House  
flats unveiled  
- Oct 2016**







**Channel  
Clearance**



# **T May Visit - Aug 2016**



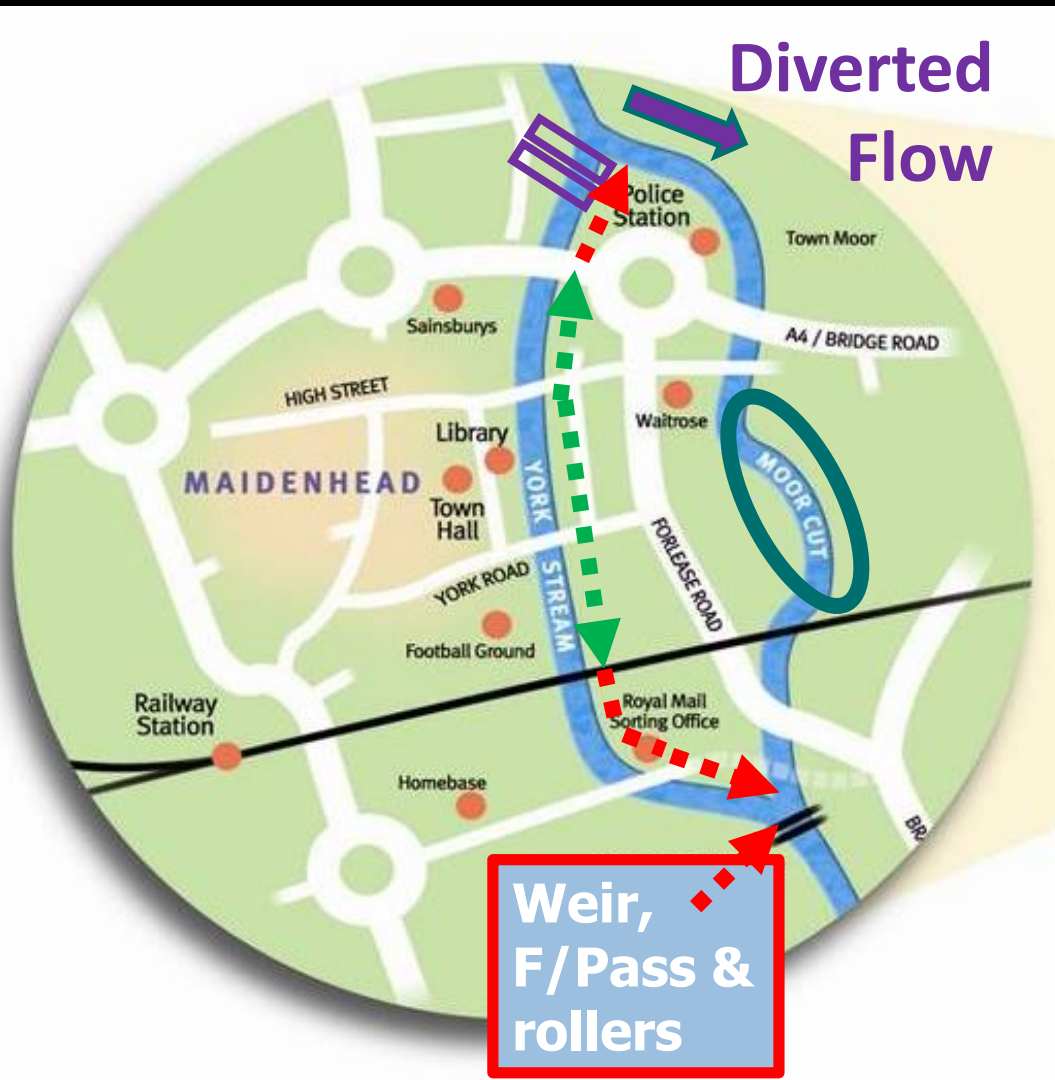
# **Canoe Cavalcade - Sep 2016**



**Chris Mitchell**  
**MW/RBWM Project Manager**


**John Morgan**  
**Chair of Technical Group**

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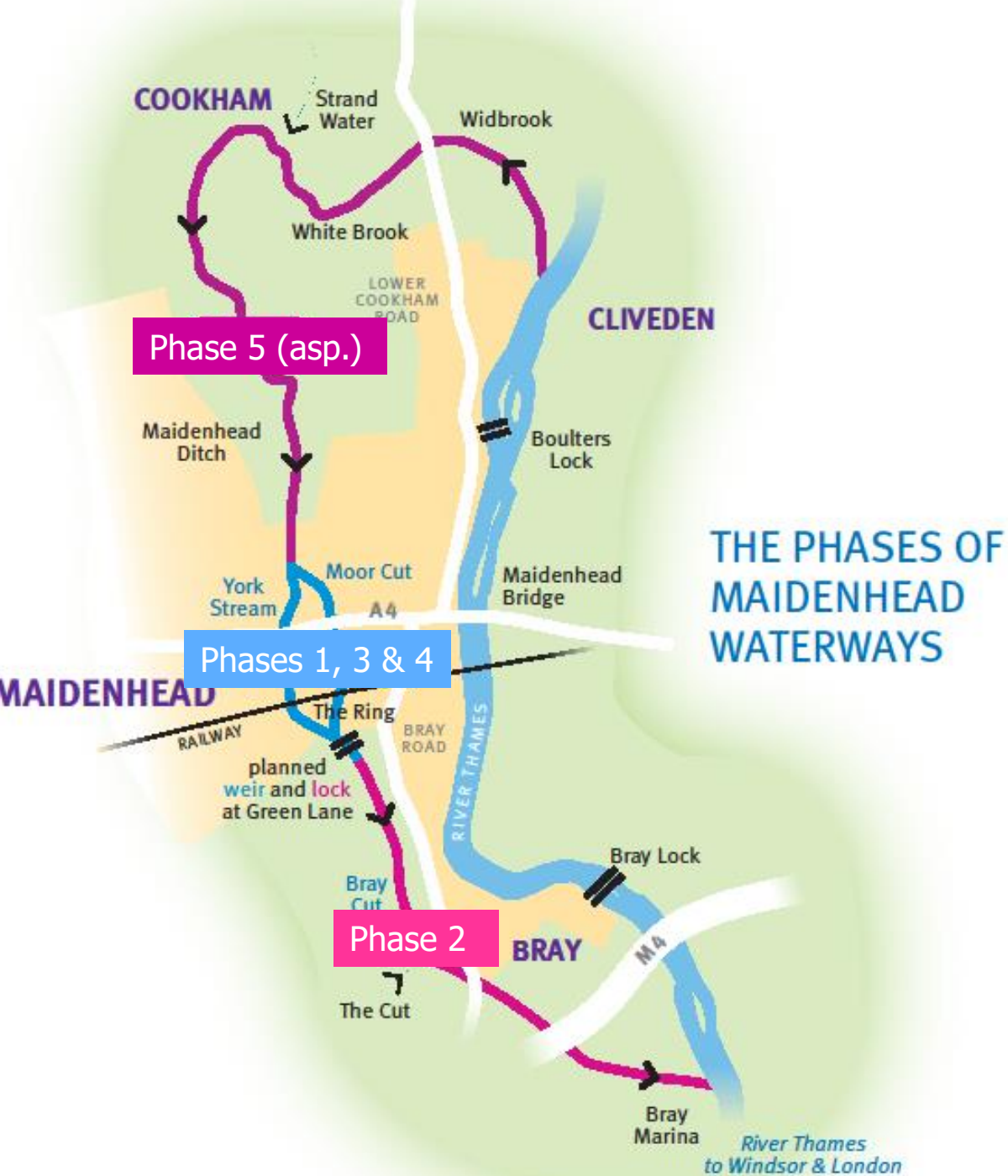


# Stage 1 & 2 Programme

- Section A (A4 North) - Nov 2016
- Section B (Hines Meadow C/Pk) - Nov 2016
- Section C (CA North) - *Shanly to build 2017*
- Section D (CA to Library) - Jan 2016
- Section E (Library to York Rd) - Feb 2017
- Section F (York Rd to GWR) - *Completed*
- Section G (GWR to S/Way) - Mar 2017
- Section H (S/Way to Green Lane) - Mar 2017
- Green Lane Weir/FP/Rollers - end 2017

# Technical Progress

- Ground water & flow monitoring continue
- Channel clearances for flow; reed spraying trials partially successful
- Azolla tackled at NT Widbrook Common
- Dry season flows still threaten ecology; insufficient for future waterway needs
- Proposals to protect ecology & increase flows being developed with riparians, South East Water & RBWM



# Future Phases

(subject to funding)

- 1 - 'Ring' for small boats 2017-19
- 2 - Upgrade Bray Cut 2021-24
- 3 - Medium boats in Ring 2024-25
- 4 - Larger boats in Ring 2026-28
- 5 - Northern link (asp).

# Ecology/Other

- Ecological Clerk of Works overseeing
- Moor Cut (now filled) is full of wildlife, some already returning to new sections
- Bat/bird boxes next...by volunteers as new sections are released
- Kingfisher perches to be added
- Angling & picnic benches on banks
- Pontoon & boat storage in CA arch(es)
- FoM pursuing enhancement projects





**Cedars Park  
(Moor Cut)  
- Apr 2015**

**Swans behind  
Fire Station  
- Apr 2016**



# **Richard Davenport**

## **Chair of the Trustees**

# Comms/Other

- Regular Flow newsletters
- MW web site updates
- Social media
- Residents' letters & notices
- FoM shop & MW display case
- Group visits & presentations
- RBWM newspaper, local press/radio

# Volunteer Thanks

- Clearance coordination - Ian Caird
- Flow recording/analysis - Ian Rose
- Borehole dipping, Flow measurement  
Channel Clearances - many & various
- Social Media - Steve Carman
- Leaflet Supplies - Gill Chivas
- Membership Records - Doug Stone
- Web Site - Nicky Luff
- Flow newsletter - Jon Bidgood

**David Snelgar**

**Treasurer**

# 2015/16 Financials

	<u>2015/16</u>	<u>Memo:</u> <u>2014/15</u>
	£	£
<b>Incoming Resources:</b>		
Balances Brought Forward	28,040	27,861
- Donations, grants etc.	4,763	2,232
- RBWM S106 grants	54,274	77,311
- Activities & Bank Interest	0	3
<b>Resources Expended:</b>		
- Cost of generating funds	200	62
- Project Development/etc.	59,696	78,320
- Overheads & Governance	857	985
Balances Carried Forward	26,324	28,040



# Adoption of Accounts

## Resolution:

- **The report of the Directors/Trustees & the Treasurer's Report & Presentation of Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2016 be accepted**

**Jon Reekie**

**Secretary**

# Election of Trustee(s)

- Retirement by rotation as required by MW's Articles: Richard Davenport
- Nominations received: Richard Davenport
- Resolution:  
Re-Elect Richard Davenport

# **Re-Appointment of Independent Examiner**

- **Resolution proposed by ...**

**Richard Curry be reappointed as MW's  
Independent Examiner**



# More Help Needed

- Navigation & boating
- Environment & Wildlife (incl. Angling)
- Project Management
- Clearance Works & Maintenance
- Flowing & Dipping
- Enhancement projects (FoM)
- Fundraising

.....pls. contact Davenport/Snelgar

# AOB & Questions?

Then see the group's web site at

... [www.maidenheadwaterways.org](http://www.maidenheadwaterways.org)

