



DEVIZES TOWPATH IMPROVEMENTS

The Canal and River Trust approached Land & Water to repair 400 metres of canal bank and one kilometre of towpath between London Road Bridge and Coate Road Bridge in Devizes, Wiltshire.

Project Delivery

- Due to the towpath being a major access route into the centre of Devizes for school children, Land & Water carried out the improvements to the canal bank and towpath during the summer months.
- The location was challenging for mobilisation, therefore Land & Water identified a suitable access point.
- Land & Water Services' knock down pontoon and excavator was used to carry out the breakout work to the existing towpath edging. Hoppers were used to transport material to the same mobilisation site for offloading.
- Bank protection consisted of 200 metres of rock roll or gabion stone placed behind a timber post retaining structure. This was driven using the floating equipment. Material was then backfilled to create a new revetment.
- Land & Water combined the reuse of existing path materials and the import of new materials to improve the towpath. This helped to ensure waste was minimised throughout the project, whilst creating a new macadam towpath with timber edging, a tar spray and chip decorative finish.
- Land & Water worked with Terraqua Environmental Solutions to pre-plant coir rolls and grass seeds to further protect the canal bank and improve the ecological status of the canal.
- Towards the end of the work, extreme weather caused a further collapse of the towpath. The team successfully repaired damages using gabion baskets and further backfill.

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Project Particulars

- Client: Canal & River Trust
- January 2018 – March 2018



PROJECT
VALUE: **£305,000**