

## POCKLINGTON CANAL RESTORATION (SSSI)

On behalf of the Canal & River Trust, Land & Water was asked to look at restoring a section of the Pocklington Canal in the East Riding of Yorkshire. This Canal is a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) along most of its length, being only navigable between the River Derwent and the Melbourne Arm, and flowing through nationally and internationally designated areas.

### Project Delivery

- The designation of the Canal, as well as the length of dredging including Listed bridges and locks, created a challenge which required works to be carried out in three phases over three winter periods due to the sensitivity of the SSSI.
- Land & Water liaised with the Canal & River Trust throughout the project to ensure its key success criteria was met and solutions were delivered. This included providing a clear channel at the dredge location to the required profile, providing survey details of the volume of materials removed and successfully completing the works with no impact to the SSSI.
- A specialist amphibious excavator was used during the project to consider working within a SSSI and small navigational channel. This plant enabled a delicate dredge within the defined area with materials being deposited to the bank where required under a D1 exemption. The amphibious excavator successfully removed the reed fringes without disturbing the puddle clay lining on the canal.



### Project Particulars

- Client: Canal & River Trust
- 2016 - July 2018



PROJECT  
VALUE: **£206,000**

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