

Where does the water come from?

The water at Crick comes from below Watford Locks, and from reservoirs on the Leicester Summit.

The Leicester Summit is the 23 mile lock-free stretch of the Grand Union Canal from Watford Locks to Foxton Locks.

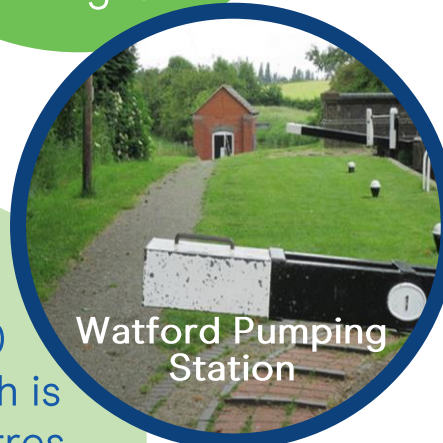
Water is pumped up Watford Locks.

Feeders (diverted streams) also bring smaller amounts of water into the system.

Water pumped up Watford Locks may come from as far afield as Milton Keynes, Oxford or Birmingham

Each year over 4000 lockfuls, which is 600 million litres of water, pass down Watford Locks.....

.....and over 1000 million litres are pumped up at a cost of about £12,000



River Avon Feeder

Water from the River Avon feeds directly into the canal from November to May, to maintain river flow in the summer

Welford and Sulby Reservoirs hold 618 million litres

Naseby Reservoir holds 1117 million litres



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