Caring for Wales' canals

We're the charity working to protect and bring to life this 250-year-old network of canals and rivers spanning Wales and England. Not so long ago many canals were abandoned, and some lost forever. Today, with your support, wildlife is recovering, history is alive, boats are plentiful and spending time in this environment is contributing to our health and happiness.

Our mission is to keep this extraordinary network of canals and rivers alive, teeming with wildlife, transforming places they run through and enriching all of our lives. Your support today could help us care for Wales' canals and many more places, for today and generations to come.



The task of protecting the finest examples of working industrial heritage including the Montgomery Canal, and the wildlife that calls it home, is growing all the time. As a charity we need you by our side more than ever. Please support our work today.





Keeping history alive

The 33-mile-long (53km) Montgomery Canal stretches from the Llangollen Canal at Frankton Junction to Newtown via Llangumynech and Welshpool.

Primarily used to transport lime and coal to kilns where it was burnt and then used as fertiliser on farmland, the canal fell into disuse following a breach in 1936.

Today, much of the canal is a Site of Special Scientific Interest and the waterway is gradually being restored to allow boats to travel along its length once more.

Discover lots of fun things to do with the family by and on the water. Go to canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers



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Welcome to Welshpool

Gateway to the Montgomery Canal.



We're the charity making life better by water



5 things to do at Welshpool

- 1 Find out more about Welshpool and the Montgomery Canal in Powysland Museum, a former canal warehouse.
- 2 See the old stone wharf where lime and other goods were once off-loaded.
- **Take** a trip on the Welshpool & Llanfair Light Railway.
- 4 Cycle along the towpath to the nature reserve.
- 5 Visit Powys Castle & Gardens, cared for by the National Trust, there is a medieval deer park and world-famous gardens.

Did you know?

The Montgomery
Canal boasts 127 listed
structures, more per
mile than any other
part of the canal
network. Notable
structures include
the Vyrnwy Aqueduct
and Hoffman Kiln and
Chimney.

