

# Droitwich Canals

Heritage Survey 2000

Amendments added 2004 (in bold)

## Droitwich Junction Canal/Barge Arm

**Key:** **CA – Conservation Area**, SAM – Scheduled Ancient Monument, LB – Listed Building, GV – Group Value, HHV - High Heritage Value, RE - Rare Example, LI - Locally Important,

Structure	Location	Construction	Designation	BW grade	Comments	Update 2004	Image
Westfields Farm accommodation bridge	Junction with W & B at Hanbury Wharf	Blue and red brick	Entire corridor in CA	LI	Completely rebuilt parapet		
Canal wall at bridge	as above	Stone coping/concrete block/iron piling Iron lined stop grooves		HHV LI			
Lock No. 1 Droitwich Canal	400m west from Westfield Bridge	Stone coping/blue and red brick Timber top gate		HHV LI	Very deep lock	<b>Lock restored 2002</b>	

By-weir and side pond	as above	Blue and red brick coping		HHV LI		<b>Side pond restored 2002</b>	
Lock No. 2	following on from above	Stone and concrete coping/hand-made brick		HHV LI	Very deep lock	<b>Lock restored 2002</b>	
By-weir and side pond	as above	Stone and blue brick coping		LI		<b>Side pond restored 2002</b>	
Lock No. 3	following on from above	Stone coping/blue and red brick		HHV LI		<b>Lock restored 2002</b>	
<b>Bye-weir and side pond</b>	<b>as above</b>	<b>Stone and blue brick coping</b>		<b>L1</b>		<b>Side pond partially restored</b>	
Former canal bed	after locks	Vegetation		LI		<b>Original iron boundary railings visible</b>	

Locks 4 and 5 with byeweirs and side ponds Footbridge over Lock 4	before M5 crossing	Stone coping/blue and red brick		HHV L1	In private ownership	Not included in proposed restoration	
Bridge over River Salwarpe	B4090 Bromsgrove Road	Brick and concrete			Replacement for earlier Chapel Bridge	<b>Bridge Constructed 1933</b>	
Lock at junction of the Droitwich and Barge Canal	Vines Park	Blue brick coping/concrete/stone quoins Iron lined stop grooves	Vines Park is SAM	LI			 
Swing Bridge	as above	Iron and timber		HHV LI	Several examples found along the canal	<b>Site of original swing bridge</b>	
Canal Wall	as above	Red and blue brick/timber piling		LI	Piling is modern	<b>Line of canal partially altered in 1970's</b>	

Swing Bridge	as above, adjacent to Upwich brine well	Iron and timber Blue brick coping		HHV LI		<b>Swing bridge is on site of former pedestrian bridge</b>	
Upwich brine well	as above	concrete		HHV LI		<b>Site of brine well (excavated 1980's) is adjacent to next swing bridge</b>	
Former swing bridge	as above	Bridge absent Turntable and abutments remain		HHV LI	Turntable is not original – possibly 20th Century	<b>Swing bridge restored 2003 Site of original swing bridge</b>	
Swing bridge	as above	Iron and timber		HHV LI		<b>Originally no swing bridge on this site</b>	
Netherwich basin	West of Vines Park	Timber piling	SAM with Vines Park	HHV LI		<b>Canal line altered and basin created in 1970's</b>	 

2 Mooring posts	West of Netherwich basin	concrete		LI	Several examples found along the canal	<b>No evidence for any original bollards. These concrete examples brought from another canal in 1980's</b>	
Road bridge	Between Netherwich basin and rail crossing	Modern concrete and brick over stone coping to canal wall				<b>1930's bridge replaces earlier crossing</b>	
Tunnel through railway embankment	West of road bridge	Concrete lined with corrugated iron					
Railway bridge	As above	Skew arched Red and blue brick		HHV LI	C20th structure	<b>At least part dates from C19th</b>	
Road bridge	Salwarpe Road	concrete			No evidence for earlier crossing		
Overflow weir	West of road bridge	Modern brick/concrete					

Overflow weir	As above	Hand-made brick/concrete		LI	Probably original		
Footbridge	Westacre playing field	Modern timber and steel				<b>No evidence for earlier crossing</b>	
Road bridge	Siding Lane	Modern red brick replacement to original footbridge Blue brick copings to steps from towpath		LI	Replacement for earlier footbridge Steps alongside are earlier	<b>Evidence of former structure below existing bridge</b>	 
Footbridge	Valley Way	Modern timber and steel				<b>No evidence for earlier crossing</b>	

							
Road bridge	Ombersley Way	Concrete		LI	Canal widening suggests possible former basin	<b>No evidence for earlier road crossing Until 1968 a swing bridge existed just to west of this road bridge</b>	 
Road bridge	A38 Roman Way	Concrete				<b>No evidence for earlier crossing</b>	
Side weir and overflow	West of Roman Way bridge	Stone copings/hand-made bricks		HHV LI	Original Brindley structure		
Swing bridge (disused)	East of Salwarpe village, south bank	Iron and timber		HHV LI		<b>Site of original swing bridge</b>	

Salwarpe Embankment	as above	Earth		HHV LI	Flood gates may still be in mud below swing bridges	<b>No hard evidence for the floodgates has ever been found</b>	
Salwarpe village and cutting	Salwarpe		In CA 6 LB's	HHV LI		<b>Also bears original enamel bridge number plate on west face</b>	
Salwarpe Bridge	as above	Stone/red brick Blue brick copings to canal wall	Grade II GV	HHV RE LI			 
Boundary Wall	250m west of Salwarpe Bridge	Blue and red brick		HHV LI			
<b>Culvert</b>	<b>Martins Brook below boundary wall</b>	<b>Red brick with modern concrete extension</b>			<b>original brick lined culvert below canal</b>		
Swing bridge (disused)	West of Hill End House (west bank)	Iron and timber		HHV LI	Railing absent which	<b>Site of original swing bridge</b>	

					may be original design		
Lock No. 1 Barge Canal	Ladywood	Stone coping/red and blue brick 7 concrete strapping posts		LI	Adjacent lock keeper's cottage	<b>Balance beams cranked due to restriction by width of modern bridge</b>	 
Road bridge	as above	Modern concrete and steel replacement for earlier bridge		LI	Replacement for earlier crossing	<b>Bridge replaced 1960's</b>	
Box weir	As above	Blue and red brick		LI		<b>Box weir walls constructed 1970's</b>	
Lock No.2	220m south of Ladywood bridge	Stone coping/red and blue brick Steel and timber footbridge 5 concrete strapping posts		LI	Modern footbridge and strapping bulbs	<b>No evidence for earlier bollards</b>	

Lock No 3	230m south of Lock No 2	Stone copings/red and blue brick Brick lined culvert on south side of lock Blue brick coping with cement render on approach wall Timber and iron footbridge		LI			
Lock No 4	Approx. 300m north of Porter's Mill bridge	Stone and concrete copings/red and blue brick Brick lined culvert east of top gate 6 concrete strapping bulbs		LI			
Brick paving west of Lock No 4	100m west of Lock No 4	Brick remnants		LI	1 brick stamped West Stourbridge	<b>Presence of bricks probably dates from 1970's restoration</b>	
Lock No 5	Porter's Mill	Stone and blue brick copings Some original ironwork		LI	Private ownership with adjacent lock keeper's cottage Adjacent Porter's Mill is Grade II*	<b>Also outbuilding in curtilage of lock keepers cottage in blue and red brick marked on 1st edition O/S map</b>	
Porter's Mill bridge	As above	Stone copings/red brick with iron tie plate in centre of arch		HHV LI	Brindley designed bridge	<b>Rope marks on copings and enamel bridge number plate on west face Iron bracket formerly held bridge weight restriction and is not tie plate</b>	

Side weir/overflow	300m south of Porter's Mill bridge	Blue and red brick		HHV LI	Brindley weir		
Mildenhams Lock No 6	Mildenhams	Stone copings/red and blue brick Remnants of lock gates 5 concrete strapping bulbs	Grade II GV	HHV LI	Adjacent Mildenhams Mill is Grade II		
Mildenhams bridge	As above	Stone and red brick with metal tie bar to lower parapet	Grade II GV	HHV LI	Brindley designed bridge	<b>Rope marks on copings</b>	
Linacre bridge	Mid-way between Mildenhams bridge and A449	Stone and red brick with concrete deck Stone and blue brick approach wall	Grade II	HHV LI	Brindley designed bridge with rope marks on quoins Modern stone replacement for original copings		 
Lock No 7	Approx. 300m west of A449	Stone and blue brick copings Remnants of lock gates and original ironwork Iron and R/W sleeper accommodation bridge		LI	Extremely overgrown with root displacement of brickwork	<b>No evidence for earlier footbridge</b>	

<p><b>Overflow culvert</b></p>	<p><b>East of Lock 8</b></p>	<p><b>Red brick circular opening in canal wall with modern alterations leading to brick lined culvert</b></p>					
<p>Hawford Lock No 8</p>	<p>Junction with River Severn</p>	<p>Blue brick copings Remnants of ironwork on lock gates Modern timber/iron/concrete footbridge</p>		<p>LI</p>	<p>Private ownership Trow reported to have been sunk across lock mouth in 1939 but no evidence found</p>		