

Caring for Yorkshire's canals and rivers

We're the charity working to protect and bring to life this 250-year-old network of canals and rivers spanning England and Wales. 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 Sprotborough and many more places, for today and generations to come.



DONATE



Please support our work & donate today

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The task of protecting the finest examples of working industrial heritage including Sprotborough, 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.

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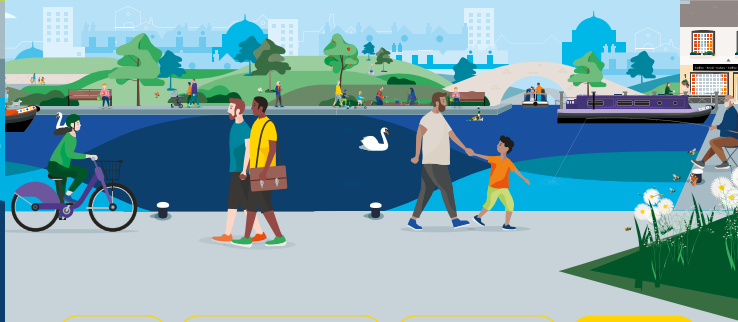
Making life better by water

Keeping history alive

Unlike 'narrow gauge' canals, such as those in the Midlands, the South Yorkshire Navigations were built to accommodate much larger Yorkshire keels.

These 61ft (18.6m) long and 15ft (4.6m) wide boats were powered by sail. If there was no wind they were 'bowhauled' by the families that owned them. There were also 'horse marines', a man and horse who would tow the boat on the navigation for a price.

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



Enjoy

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Welcome to Sprotborough


One of the best places on our inland waterways for watching birds.











We're the charity making life better by water

The Sheffield & South Yorkshire Navigation runs from Sheffield to Keadby where it joins the River Trent. Sprotborough Lock is a peaceful spot surrounded by woodlands and a nature reserve. Escape city life and enjoy country walks and easy bike rides.

Visit us at:
Nursery Lane, Sprotborough,
Doncaster DN5 7NB

 Allow 1–2 hours
for your visit

Find your way around


-  towpath
-  café
-  pub
-  bench/picnic area
-  nature reserve
-  trip boat
-  parking
-  woodland

Stay SAFE
Stay Away From the Edge!

For more information on
visiting safely:
canalrivertrust.org.uk/safety

Details correct at time of print, please check before travelling.



 Map not to scale:
covers approx.
½ mile / 0.8km

5 things to do at Sprotborough

- 1** Enjoy a peaceful walk through this area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.
- 2** Visit Sprotborough Flash Nature Reserve, a Site of Special Scientific Interest and one of the richest wildlife sites in South Yorkshire.
- 3** Have a picnic on the grassy banks of the River Don and feel the benefits of spending time by water.
- 4** Watch the boats navigating Sprotborough Lock.
- 5** Pack binoculars and see which birds you can spot or watch anglers fishing for roach, chub, tench or pike.

Did you know?

The Sheffield & South Yorkshire Navigation is actually made up of four waterways linking the River Trent to Sheffield – the Sheffield & Tinsley Canal, the Don Navigation, the Stainforth & Keadby Canal and the New Junction Canal.

