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NEW CAFÉ BOAT BUSINESS SOUGHT FOR TREVOR BASIN

The charity that cares for the awe-inspiring Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and World Heritage Site in north east Wales is on the lookout for a floating café operator to offer a quality choice to the 300,000 people who visit the site each year.

The Canal & River Trust – which looks after 2,000 miles of waterway across Wales and England – is seeking a professional business for a new commercial mooring in the heart of Trevor Basin at the northern end of the Aqueduct. At present there are limited formal catering facilities on the site and this therefore represents an outstanding opportunity to provide an additional high quality service to the increasing number of visitors. The Trust is looking for a business that can be open all year round, benefitting from external seating in the busy summer months and offering a cosy warming indoor environment during winter.

The Trust is seeking a business proposal that is exciting, innovative and complements the World Heritage Status of the area.

Mike Grimes, head of boating at the Trust, said: “This is a great opportunity to set up a thriving floating café in an absolutely jaw-dropping location. Boaters, cyclists and walkers from across the country and beyond make the journey to marvel at Thomas Telford’s spectacular Pontcysyllte Aqueduct. We’re looking for a business proposal that is fitting for the World Heritage Status of this very special area.”

Initially the Trust will be seeking expressions of interest. Interested parties may be required to enter in to a formal tender process thereafter. More information, including a copy of the marketing particulars, can be found here: <https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/business-and-trade/boating-business/tendered-opportunities>

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We believe that *living waterways transform places and enrich lives* and our role is to make sure there is always a place on your doorstep where you can escape the pressures of everyday life, stretch your legs and simply feel closer to nature.

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