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## **IMPROVING CANAL ACCESS IN AUDLEM – CANAL CHARITY WANTS YOUR VIEWS**

The pretty Shropshire Union Canal through Audlem, South Cheshire, is a really popular part of the nation's canal network and attracts thousands of visitors each year.

The Canal & River Trust charity, which works with the community to look after the canal, is asking for views on how the canal can be made even better for local people and tourists to enjoy.

The Trust is keen to hear the views of residents, visitors and local businesses, and will be hosting a community drop-in consultation event at the Lord Combermere pub in Audlem on Thursday 7 September between 2pm and 3.30pm.

Access to the canal, quality of the towpath, car parking and other visitor facilities are all topics for discussion.

Ani Sutton, local development and engagement manager with the Canal & River Trust, explained: "Audlem is a popular mooring place for boaters and a beautiful waterside location for enjoying a walk, cycle or stopping off for a pub meal.

"We want to get the views of residents and regular visitors about what more they would like to see and how we can all work together to improve the canal. Is there anything else that would help to enhance their experience of this beautiful waterway?"

For anyone unable to attend the consultation event, ideas and suggestions can be emailed to [ani.sutton@canalrivertrust.org.uk](mailto:ani.sutton@canalrivertrust.org.uk). [www.canalrivertrust.org.uk](http://www.canalrivertrust.org.uk).

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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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