

Caring for Staffordshire's canals

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 Staffordshire's canals and many more places, for today and generations to come.



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Please support our work & donate today

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Canal & River Trust

Making life better by water

Keeping history alive

In 1768 renowned canal engineer, James Brindley won the contract to build a canal between Coventry and the Trent & Mersey Canal at Fradley. Unfortunately, the scheme ran out of money a year later when works reached Atherstone, 21 miles (34km) from Fradley, where 11 locks were needed.

The Coventry Canal was eventually completed in 1789 by the Trent & Mersey Canal Company and the Birmingham & Fazeley Canal Company.

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

The task of protecting the finest examples of working industrial heritage including Fradley Junction, 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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Welcome to Fradley Junction

Meeting point for people, history and nature.



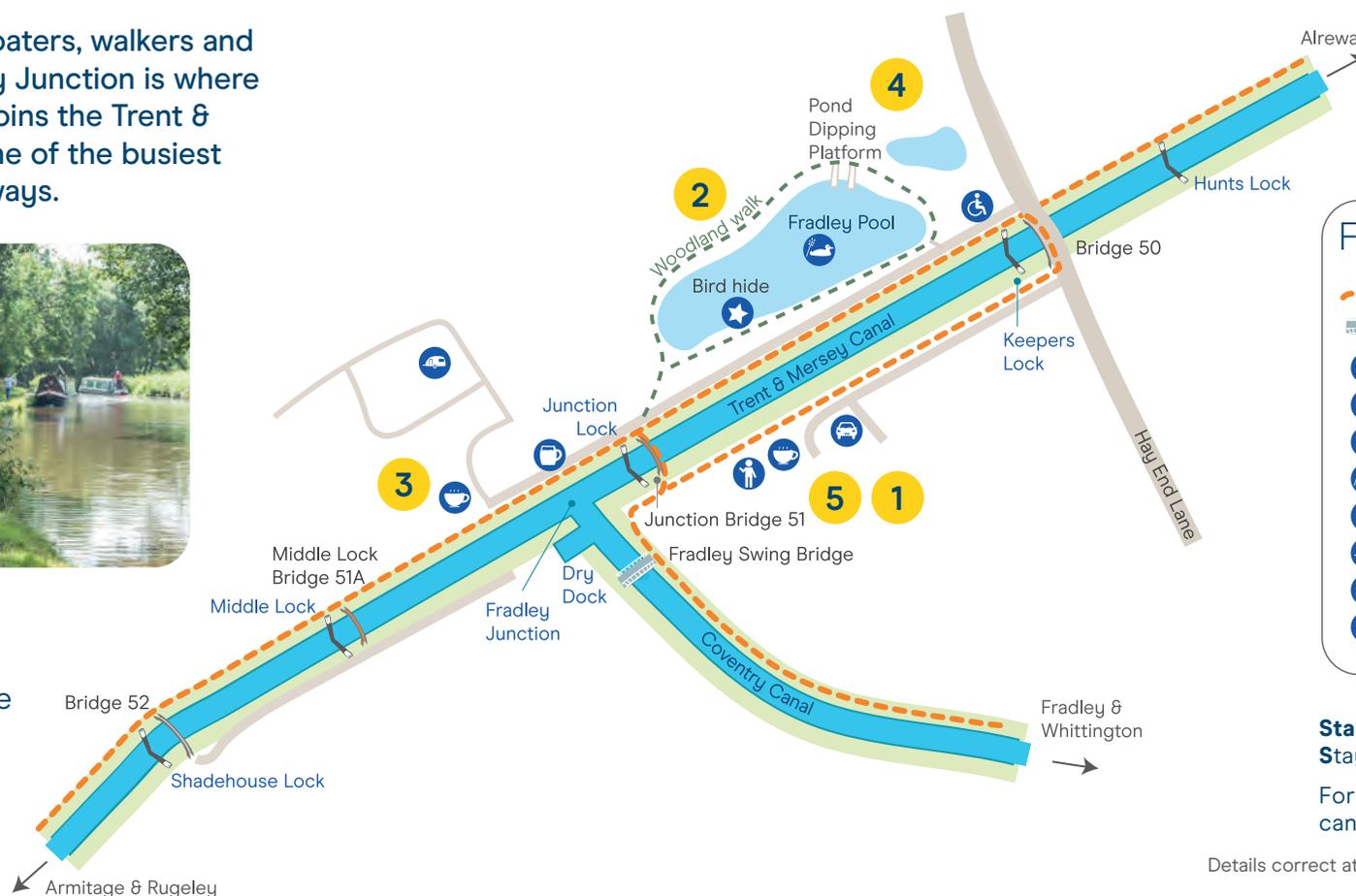
We're the charity making life better by water

A popular spot for boaters, walkers and other visitors, Fradley Junction is where the Coventry Canal joins the Trent & Mersey Canal. It is one of the busiest places on our waterways.



Visit us at:
Fradley Junction,
Alrewas, Staffordshire
DE13 7DN

 Allow half a day
for your visit



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

Find your way around

-  towpath
-  swing bridge
-  café
-  pub
-  point of interest
-  nature reserve
-  Canal & River Trust Welcome Hub
-  caravan park
-  accessible parking
-  parking

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.

5 things to do at Fradley Junction

- 1** **Follow** the free, self-guided walking tour – you'll find details in our welcome hub.
- 2** **Go** on a woodland walk at the nearby Fradley Nature Reserve – you'll see sculptures, a floating bird island and a bird hide.
- 3** **Enjoy** a bite to eat or a drink and watch the boats coming and going.
- 4** **Have** a go at pond dipping on the purpose-built platforms, perfect for keeping younger visitors entertained.
- 5** **Come** and say hello to our volunteers at our welcome hub, where you can find out more about the area, events and our activities.

Did you know?

The Grade II listed Swan Pub is over 250 years old. It was built in the 1770s when the Trent & Mersey Canal was being constructed.

