



# INLAND WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION

## Inland Waterways Association Annual General Meeting

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023 at 11.30am  
at The Civic Stourport

### Delegate Pack

#### Welcome

On behalf of the Inland Waterways Association we would like to welcome you to the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.

Members will be able to attend the sessions remotely as well as attending in person. Please register in advance [here](#) to attend via Zoom.

There will be a photographer at the event so please let us know if you do not wish to be featured in any photographs.

The Civic Stourport will be open to our members from 10.00am with refreshments available.

At 10.30am, there will be a presentation on Protect Our Waterways - IWA's campaign to secure the future of the inland waterways, including our work in Fund Britain's Waterways.

This will be followed by the formal AGM starting at 11.30am, and a presentation of the IWA National Awards. There will be then an open session with the CEO and trustees and an opportunity to ask questions.

Lunch will be provided at 1pm, which must be booked in advance by Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September. Please visit the Eventbrite page [here](#) to book your lunch at the AGM. The lunch is free of charge, but please make a donation [here](#) to help cover our costs.

There will be plenty of time for networking and the opportunity to take part in a guided heritage walk in the afternoon or a boat trip down the River Severn (weather dependant).

We hope you enjoy the event!

**Programme for the Day:** The Annual General Meeting is the formal part of the day-long Annual Members Meeting, the full timetable of which is as follows:

10.00am	Coffee and Registration
10.30 am to 11.10 am	Welcome. Presentation on the Protect Our Waterways Campaign and Fund Britain's Waterways
11.10 am to 11.30 am	Interval for teas and coffees
11.30 am to 12.00 pm	Annual General Meeting
12.00 pm to 12.15 pm	Presentation of National Awards
12.15 pm to 1.00 pm	Presentation followed by Q&A session
1.00 pm to 1.45 pm	Lunch (free of charge, but must be pre-booked)
1.45 pm	Depart for Afternoon Guided Heritage Walk/Boat Trip on the River Severn

#### **AGM Agenda**

1. Opening remarks and welcome
2. To review and approve the minutes of the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting
3. To receive the Annual Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 and the Report of the Auditors
4. To confirm the appointments and reappointments of the following members, recommended by the Selection Panel and approved by the Board, as Trustee Directors of the Association, namely: Stuart Craig, Nick Dybeck, Sue O'Hare, Peter Marlow, Paul Strudwick and Thomas White as recommended each for terms of three years.
5. To re-appoint Sayer Vincent LLP as auditors of the Association in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Acts and to authorise trustees to agree their remuneration

By Order of the Trustees  
Vedyamala Reddy, Company Secretary

## Afternoon Activities

Attendees will have the opportunity to take part in a Guided Heritage Walk in the afternoon or in a Boat Trip down the River Severn (weather dependant).

### **Guided Heritage Walk**

Stourport-on-Severn, recently awarded Heritage Inland Port status, has a unique history. It was built over 250 years ago as an inland port and it is the only town in Britain to be developed as a result of a canal - the Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal.

A Guided Heritage Walk around its historic Georgian Canal Basins will depart at 2pm from The Civic Stourport. This will include a visit at the Stables and the Old Ticket Office, both impressive heritage buildings now home to a fascinating collection of artefacts. Together with the [working boat Bramble](#) they will give clues to the history of the town.

### **Boat Trip on the River Severn**

River King runs 40 minute day trips on the River Severn. Attendees who wish to take part in the trip will need to leave The Civic by 1.45pm and walk down to the riverside adjacent to find the boat that will depart at 2pm. The cost will be £7 per person. As the boat trip is weather dependant, confirmations can only be given on the day.

## The Venue

### **Address**

The Civic Stourport is situated on Martins Way, Stourport-on-Severn, Worcestershire, DY13 8UJ  
(If your SATNAV does not recognise this postcode please use DY13 8UN).

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### **Venue Accessibiity**

There are three disabled parking spaces in the car park at the front of the venue. They are the furthest spaces from our front doors, approx 50 metres.

On the public car parks at the rear of The Civic, there are four more disabled marked spaces. On the small public car park opposite there are two marked spaces, but spaces on this car park are generally wider. However, using either of these car parks will result in having to travel uphill to get to the venue, and crossing the car park at the front of the venue.

There is a drop kerb in the car park at the front of the venue to access the ramp to the front door.

There is no access from the road in front of the venue, as there are steps with no ramp.

### **Entering the Venue**

The Civic has ramped entrances at three of its doors, two of which are at the main doors to the venue, and is step free throughout the public areas.

Doors throughout the public areas are double doors. None of these doors are powered at this time.

### **Toilets**

There are wheelchair accessible toilets available.

## **Nearby Facilities**

### **Parking**

Attendees will need to be aware that they may not park in the adjacent car park which is specifically for users of the Library, but there is plenty of pay & display parking nearby. A new cashless parking system is being introduced in all Wyre Forest District Council owned car parks. The MiPermit system will be available in all the authority's pay and display car parks, replacing the JustParking app. The app means motorists do not need change to buy a ticket. They can also extend the parking time without having to return to their vehicle. It costs 10p per transaction which is added to the parking charge. There is no top up fee when someone wants to pay for extra time. Motorists can also pay 10p for a text reminder of when their parking is due to run out. Parking can be paid for up to 7 days in advance. To help drivers there will be posters in the car parks explaining how to pay, using a number unique to each car park. The MiPermit app is an additional payment method and motorists can still pay with coins.

### **Car Parks nearby**

Raven Street car park - Stourport-on-Severn DY13 8UU

Pay and Display Car Park - Martins Way, Stourport-on-Severn DY13 8UJ

Bridge Street Car Park - Stourport-on-Severn DY13 8XD

Severn Meadows Car Park 2 - Martins Way, Stourport-on-Severn DY13 8UJ

Severn Meadows Car Park 3 - Moorhall Ln, Stourport-on-Severn DY13 8RB

### **Full list of car parks & prices**

<https://www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/streets-and-parking/parking/car-parks-in-wyre-forest/pay-and-display-car-parks/car-parks-in-stourport-on-severn/>

### **Accommodation**

Baldwin House Guest House

8 Lichfield Street, Stourport-on-Severn, DY13 9EU (7 minutes walking distance)

<https://www.baldwinhouse.co.uk/> 07501 012151

The Angel Inn  
Severn Side, Stourport-on-Severn DY13 9EW (7 minutes walking distance)  
<https://stourporttown.co.uk/organisation/the-angel-inn/> 01299513172

The Wharf  
The Wharf, Mart Lane, Stourport-on-Severn, Worcestershire, DY13 9EN (8 minutes walking distance)  
07985758691

The Bird in Hand  
Canal side, 5 Holly Rd, Stourport-on-Severn DY13 9BA (17 minutes walking distance)  
01299 513524

Stourport Manor Hotel  
35 Hartlebury Rd, Stourport-on-Severn, DY13 9JA (23 minutes walking distance)  
03300283421

Premier Inn Kidderminster Hotel  
Slingfield Mill, Weavers Wharf, Kidderminster DY10 1AA (4 miles)

#### **Pubs**

Worleys at the Swan  
56 High St, Stourport-on-Severn DY13 8BX (5 minutes walking distance)  
Wheatsheaf  
39 High St, Stourport-on-Severn DY13 8BS (4 minutes walking distance)  
The Wharf  
The Wharf, Mart Lane, Stourport-on-Severn, Worcestershire, DY13 9EN (8 minutes walking distance)

#### **Taxi**

Territax - 07712 351111  
Daves Private Hire - 01299 666222  
Bewdley Taxis - 01299 405050  
Central Taxis - 01562 515131

#### **Stourport Pharmacy**

STOURPORT MEDICAL CENTRE, DUNLEY ROAD, STOURPORT-ON-SEVERN, DY13 0AA

## Travel Information

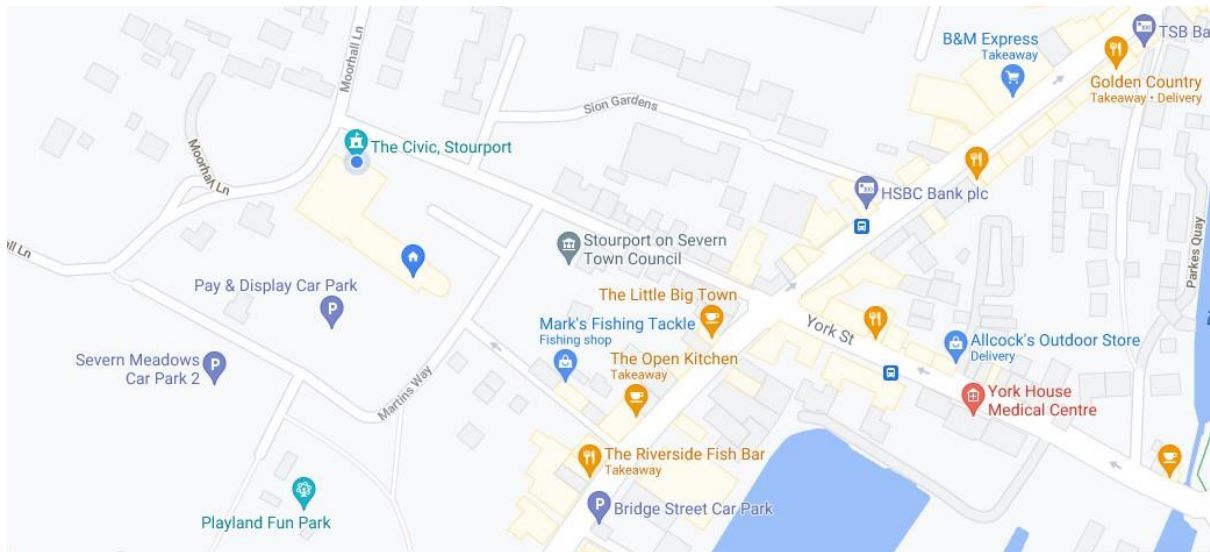
#### **By car**

#### **Access to The Civic Stourport from Kidderminster/Bewdley/Stourbridge/Birmingham/Worcester**

When you enter Stourport join the one way system which will take you into the town. In the first instance follow the brown tourist signs directing you to the "Riverside and Car Parks". You should come to a mini-roundabout/traffic island at the junction of the High Street, Bridge Street and New Street. Opposite you on the left should be Little Big Town, and on the right the Hope and Anchor Pub – the green building. Head straight over (second exit) the mini roundabout onto New Street.

The Civic Hall is the last building on the left with the purple facias.

The road immediately before the building takes you to the public car parks.



### **Access to The Civic Stourport from Bromyard/Leominster/Hereford/Ludlow/Malvern**

If you are coming into Stourport across the main river bridge, takes the second left after you have crossed the river, as the mini roundabout/traffic island. (The 1st left does come out opposite the car parks, but its very narrow).

The Civic Hall is the last building on the left with the purple facias.

The road immediately before the building takes you to the public car parks.

### **By train**

It is very easy to get a train to either Kidderminster Station and transfer by bus or taxi the short distance into Stourport. For all of the latest train times and routes why not visit

[www.thetrainline.com](http://www.thetrainline.com)

### **By bus from Kidderminster Station**

Bus 3 / 15A / 15C / 194 – from Town Hall (Stand C)

Bus timetable: <https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/transport/bus-travel>