



# INLAND WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION

## Inland Waterways Association Annual General Meeting

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 11.30am  
at De Montfort University in Leicester, Hugh Aston Building  
The Newarke, Leicester LE2 7BY

### Delegate Pack Welcome

On behalf of The Inland Waterways Association we would like to welcome you to the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.

Members will be able to attend the sessions remotely (but not vote on the day) as well as attending in person. A link to the Zoom meeting is provided on the website. [Please register in advance](#) (bookings are now open) whether you intend to attend in person or remotely.

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 Hugh Aston Building will be open to our members from 10.00 am with refreshments available. From 10.30 am there will be a presentation on IWA Campaigns followed by a presentation on Restoration at 10.50 am, before an interval for tea and coffee.

The formal Annual General Meeting will be at 11.30 am, followed by a presentation of IWA National Awards at 12.00 pm. Two further presentations on Residential Boating and Sustainable Leisure Boating will follow, after the formal meeting has closed.

Lunch will be available at 1 p.m. from the University Café. If booked in advance by Friday 20th September, members will be provided (free of charge) with a £6 voucher towards the cost of lunch. We kindly advise attendees they will be asked to pay food and drink costs in excess of £6 when they collect their vouchers.

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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 10.50 am	Welcome. Presentation on IWA Campaigns.
10.50 am to 11.10 am	Presentation on Restoration
11.10 am to 11.30 pm	Interval for teas and coffees
11.30 am to 12.00 pm	Annual General Meeting
12.00 pm to 12.20 pm	Presentation of IWA National Awards
12.20 pm to 12.40 pm	Presentation on Residential Boating, introduction and open discussion
12.40 pm to 1.00 pm	Presentation on Sustainable Leisure Boating – The Next Mountain to Climb?
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

#### **AGM Agenda**

1. Opening remarks and welcome
2. To review and approve the minutes of the 64<sup>th</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 2023 and the Report of the Auditors
4. To confirm the appointments and reappointments of the following members, recommended by the Board, as Trustee Directors of the Association, namely: Robert Atkins, Christl Hughes, Colin Porter, Hannah Rigley and Ian Sesnan 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

## Lunch

Lunch will be available at 1 p.m. from the University café. If booked in advance by Friday 20th September, members will be provided (free of charge) with a £6 voucher towards the cost of lunch, which includes a choice of sandwiches, wraps, tea and coffee. Please advise on any special dietary requirements. We kindly advise attendees they will need to pay food and drink costs in excess of £6 when they collect their vouchers.

## Afternoon Activities - Guided Walk

Attendees will have the opportunity to take part in a Guided Heritage Walk in the afternoon.

Our guide for the afternoon walk will be award-winning CRT volunteer Rob Hetherington. The tour will start at Castle Gardens on what has become known as the "Mile Straight" of the Grand Union Canal Leicester Line, which is a canalised section of the River Soar. From there Rob will take us along the navigation to Lime Kiln Lock, where the IWA national rally of boats was held in 1967, and enlighten us with numerous historic insights en route. The distance is approx. 3 miles, which will take about 2 hours for a leisurely stroll, including commentary stops and your unguided return to De Montfort University via the city centre.

## The Venue

Address: De Montfort University, Hugh Aston Building is situated on The Newarke, Leicester, LE2 7BY

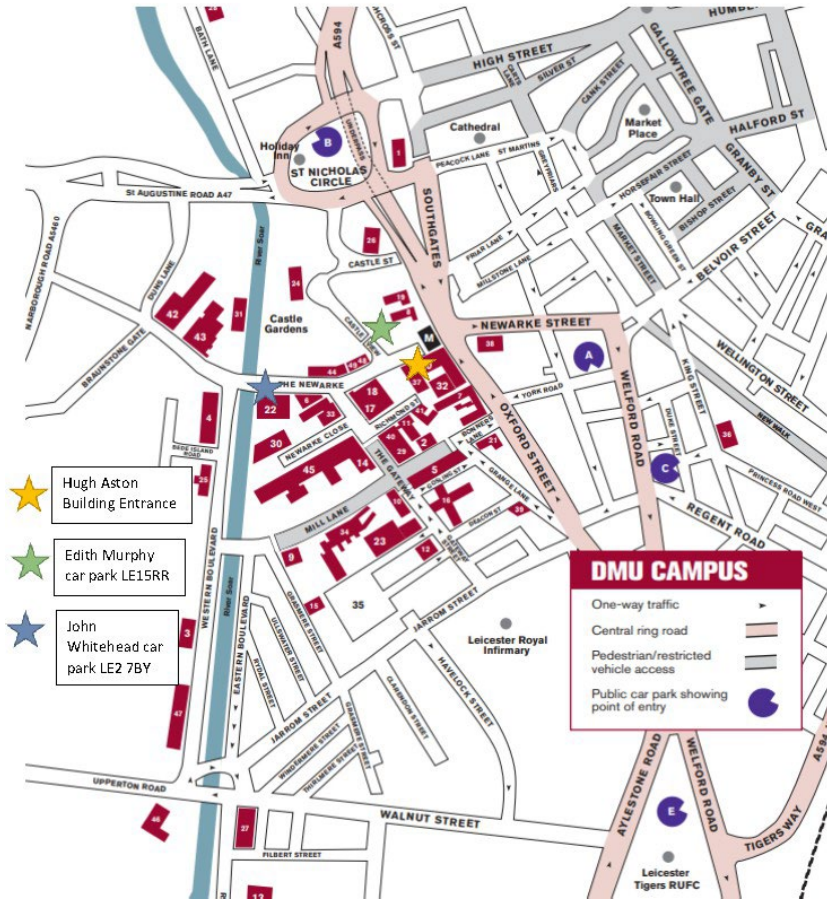
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### Venue Accessibility

- Step free access at the main entrance.
- The main door opens automatically
- Automatic push pad doors in the corridors.
- Level access to the service(s).
- Lift to access the Foyer area/service
- Accessible toilets

## Travel Information

### IWA- Hugh Aston Building Map



### Parking

All campus car parks are pay and display. Parking is £2 up to 4 hours, over 4 hours it is £4. On road parking is free after 6pm but space is not guaranteed.

- The closest car park is Edith Murphy LE1 5RR, right in front of the Hugh Aston Building Entrance. This is situated off a slip road which runs from the end of The Newarke. **Only attendees with accessibility requirements are advised to use the Edith Murphy car park, where there are 6 Blue Badge parking bay(s).**

- John Whitehead car park LE2 7BY. **Members with no accessibility issues are kindly advised to use the John Whitehead car park, at only 4 min walking distance from the Hugh Aston Building. This would leave room to members with mobility issues to access the closer Edith Murphy car park.**

### By Taxi

\*We suggest attendees use the postcode of the Newark Houses Museum right in front of the DMU Café: The Newarke, Leicester LE2 7BY

### Jubilee Taxi

4 Princess Road W, Leicester LE1 6TP

[jubileetaxi.co.uk](http://jubileetaxi.co.uk)

0116 247 0123

### Fosse Taxi

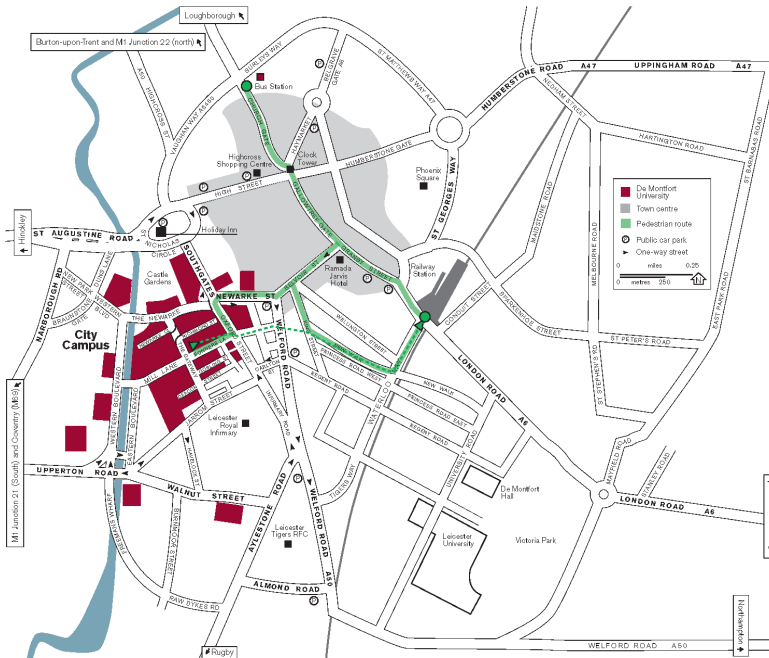
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## Pedestrian map



### By Public Transport

The nearest Train station is Leicester.

The Hugh Aston Building is 16 minutes walking distance from Leicester Station.

By bus: take bus 15/22/31A/44A/47 from Prebend Street for 2 stops. Stop at Charles Street and walk for 11 minutes.

Alternatively, take bus HOP in Station Street, Stand EG. Stop at Granby Street and walk for 9 minutes.

Bus station to City Campus – approximately 20 minutes' walk  
Rail station to City Campus – approximately 15 minutes' walk

W: [dmu.ac.uk/transport](http://dmu.ac.uk/transport)

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## Nearby Facilities

### Accommodation

Holiday Inn Express Leicester City - Filbert Way, Raw Dykes Road, Leicester LE2 7FL

[Holiday Inn Express Leicester City Hotel by IHG](#)

The Holiday Inn Express offers a 15% discount for IWA members.

Please see the booking link below:

<https://www.hiexpress.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=EX&localeCode=en&hotelCode=LC TWS&rateCode=AE63K& PMID=99502056&corpNum=787049822&cn=no&viewfullsite=true#>

A QR code is also available, and will direct you to the same page with booking discount already applied.



Alternatively, guests can contact the hotel using the contact details below.

T: 0116 249 4590 | 07736 906165

E: [sales@exhileicester.co.uk](mailto:sales@exhileicester.co.uk)

The Belmont Hotel, New Walk - 20 De Montfort Street, Leicester LE1 7GR

[Historic independent Hotel In Leicester City Centre | Belmont Hotel](#)

Reservations - 0116 254 4773

The Villare - 19 St Nicholas Place, Leicester LE1 4LD

[Villare Hotel | Luxury Contemporary Hotel in Leicester](#)

Reservations - 0116 242 1330 / [admin@villarehotel.com](mailto:admin@villarehotel.com)

Holiday Inn - 129 St. Nicholas Circle, Leicester LE1 5LX

[Hotels In Leicester City Centre: Holiday Inn Leicester \(ihg.com\)](#)

Reservations: [00800 80 80 0800](tel:0080080800800)

Front Desk: [44-116-4821900](tel:44-116-4821900)

Email: [reservations@hileicester.com](mailto:reservations@hileicester.com)

## Restaurants and Pubs

There are many restaurants in Leicester, which is popular for Indian food. Mithaas is rated as one of the best vegetarian restaurant:

Mithaas <https://www.mithaas.co.uk/>

103-105 Narborough Road, Leicester, LE3 0PA

Contacts: 0116 254 1588

Narborough Road is reputed to have over fifty different nationalities of restaurant.

Belgrave Road 'Golden Mile' offers a great choice of restaurants, including the famous 'Bobbys':

Bobbys [Indian Restaurant | Leicester, Leicestershire - Bobby's \(bobbys-restaurant.co.uk\)](#)

154, Belgrave Road, Leicester LE4 5AT

Contacts: 0116 266 0106 / 0116 2662448 / [info@eatatbobbys.com](mailto:info@eatatbobbys.com)

Nearby, Braunstone Gate has a good choice, Little Tokyo (Japanese), Efes Mangal (Modern Turkish) and Cedars - Lebanese. All serve very good food, as does the City Centre Holiday Inn. In the City Centre - there is Le Bistro Pierre and The Rutland and Derby pub on Millstone Lane, Wygston's House and Bar (Jubilee Sq). All come recommended for either food and drink, but may need booking a table as they get busy at times. Around the High Cross area, for an evening meal - Zizzi's, Frankie and Benny's, Nando's, Wagamama and Turtle Bay.

For more visitor information please see the link below:

[Visit Leicester - The Place Where Tourism Began](#)

## Pharmacies

Boots Pharmacy

38-39, Shires Walk, High St, Leicester LE1 4FQ