The Pocklington Canal

The canal has been described as 'A Gem in the Landscape' and offers nine miles of walking and wildlife in the Yorkshire Countryside.

But it could have been so much different. There was little interest in the canal after commercial use ended. The canal became derelict and overgrown. In the 1950s there were plans to fill it with sludge and it would have been lost forever. It was rescued by the formation of the **Pocklington Canal Amenity Society** in the late sixties and gradually restored and made navigable from the River Derwent near East Cottingwith to Melbourne.

Now, with the support of Canal & River Trust and Natural England, a further two miles from Melbourne to Bielby is being restored for navigation by PCAS and CRT has received Lottery funding to improve habitats for wildlife and promote the canal.

We invite you to join our society. With your subscription we can make faster progress, with our eventual aim being to restore the whole of the canal to Canal Head, next to the A1079 road between York and Hull.

Membership costs £15 per year for individuals or £20 for couples/family. Life membership is ten times the annual rate. Members will receive three magazines per year keeping them informed about progress of works on the canal and about the various events held locally each year.

As a special offer you will receive three months free membership if you apply now and pay by standing order. Simply send your completed form (overleaf) with standing order details making your initial payment on the 1st of the month in three months' time and then annually thereafter. Your membership will start as soon as we receive your application. Please include your email address to help us contact you with news and other information.

As a member of PCAS you would be welcome to join any of our volunteering teams. We have weekly get-togethers keeping the canal tidy, painting locks and bridges or even helping restore locks. We have an information centre at Canal Head which opens on Sundays and bank holidays, and help is always appreciated. Our members also help crew our trip boat *New Horizons* for which training is given. Even if you cannot offer practical help, be assured that your membership subscription will help to restore the canal.

POCKLINGTON CANAL AMENITY SOCIETY

Application for membership

I would like to become a member of the Pocklington Canal Amenity Society and have completed the Standing Order form or, I enclose my subscription. I support the aims of PCAS as set out in the Constitution, which are summarised on the back of this leaflet. Please send the completed form to:

PCAS Treasurer, 64 Willow Park Road, Wilberfoss YO41 5PS	
NAME(S)	Annual Membership Individual £15 Family/Joint £20
ADDRESS including Postcode	Life Membership Individual £150 Family/Joint £200
TEL	Voluntary donation £ Subscription £ I would like to Gift Aid this and future donations □ and subscriptions □
EMAIL	
SIGNATURE	
DATE 1st (month) 20	(year) Please date at least a month ahead
STANDING ORDER Paying by standing order will help PCAS keep costs down	
TO: (name and address of your bar	ık)
Please pay HSBC Bank Plc,12 Market Place, Pocklington YO42 2AR Account No. 20674451, Sort Code 40-37-01 to the credit of the Pocklington Canal Amenity Society the sum of £ on (date) and on the same date annually until further notice.	
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Gift Aid allows the Society to recover the tax paid which increases the value of your contribution by 25%. In order to be eligible for Gift Aid you must be a UK Tax Payer and pay sufficient tax during the year to cover the value of the tax recoverable.