

SHREWSBURY AND NEWPORT CANALS TRUST  
WAPPENSHALL UPDATE NO.2



**Plan B.**

**WORK STARTS ON SMALL WAREHOUSE ROOF IN OCTOBER**

**THE EAST BASIN**

**HEATING OPTIONS FOR THE WAREHOUSES**

**LARGE WAREHOUSE**

**FINANCE**

**TIMETABLE**

**SMALL WAREHOUSE**

**The Roof**

The best of 3 quotes was chosen and work begins on the roof with firstly 2 days to erect scaffolding 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October, stripping back of slates will commence on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>. The roof timbers once exposed will be inspected and may require treating. Cast Iron guttering and drainage will be installed. This needs to be completed before the worst of the winter weather sets in.

Special plans are in place so that the bats can return to "their home." Our own ecologist will be on site at times and will obtain the necessary licenses before work starts. The Barn Owl however will have a new home sited on a specially selected telegraph pole on site.

**The East Basin**

Excellent news came that following second sampling no further contamination was found in the East basin. Thanks once again to DENSO for footing the bill for this. We await further updates from them about the removal of the spoil. Once we have their decision we will need to acquire Planning Permission and a license from the Environment Agency.

**Heating of the Warehouse**

Talks have taken place regarding the type of heating to be installed in the warehouse. Following inspections and discussions with Consulting Engineers the decision has been made to go with an LPG gas powered system. A ground/water sourced heating system was also closely looked at but due partly to insulation restrictions and the amount of water in the east basin being insufficient to make it workable it had to be disregarded.

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### LARGE WAREHOUSE

Our architects need to amend the drawings to detail the access into the transshipment warehouse. The current ones detail a ramp up to the entrance but this cannot be used as David Crow claims to have rights of access for his farm vehicles. An alternative may be a demountable ramp up to the building to a new entrance. Other options will be explored.

### Finances

The cost of the work on the Small Warehouse and Basin are estimated at £255,000.

SNCT have £100,000 towards this cost. Also £170,000 from other grants, some to be confirmed. The overall costs as shown below mean we have a long way to go to get the full funds we need'

Phase 2 - £360,000

Phase 3 - £60,000

Total project cost - £685,000

We are constantly applying for grants but the current financial climate makes this very difficult.

Good news is that on the new TWINCL lottery we have currently sold 102 lines meaning we will raise £2652 per year. This is great but far short of what we could be making from it. Everyone can help with this. For every extra line we can sell we make a further £26 per year. So if you bought 5 lines, the trust would get a minimum of £130 and you would have 260 chances to win the top prize of £25,000. There will also be a further 10p per line sold on the whole lottery that will be shared amongst all the good causes on Twincl. The more tickets we sell now the larger the proportion of that extra fund we will receive. Currently we have sold more than any other cause, we need to keep this going so please sign up today if you haven't already done so. Go to [www.twincl.co.uk](http://www.twincl.co.uk) then select 'Shrewsbury and Newport Canals Trust' as your cause, choose your number and give your details. If you don't like the internet you can ring 01952 327788 and do it all by phone.

Don't forget [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) as well. We already have 74 people raising money for SNCT when they buy on the internet. You can too and it won't cost you a penny extra. So far we have raised just over £1,800. Another great effort. Further details can be found on the website [www.cms.snct.co.uk](http://www.cms.snct.co.uk)

### TIMETABLE

#### Small Warehouse

Roof: Oct 2018

Planning and Listed Building consents : Nov 2018 – Jan 2019

Internal Work: Feb 2019 – Sept 2019

External Work: May 2019 – Sept 2019

#### East Basin

Planning Permission: Oct 2018 – Jan 2019

Excavation: April 2019

Restoration and Lining: May 2019 – Nov 2019

Phase 2: All work to take place between July 2019 – Oct 2020

Phase 3: Jun 2020 – Dec 2020

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### Extras

#### More great news

With the funding supplied by 'Tesco's Bags of Help' and a great deal of work by a dedicated team of volunteers the stop gate that was found in the old canal has been preserved and placed on display. A great piece of work from the past and some modern know how from our volunteers has made this available for visitors to see and enjoy for many years to come. An information board has also been placed alongside.



The full story and pictures can be found on the website [www.cms.snct.co.uk](http://www.cms.snct.co.uk)