

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM : CO-OPTED MEMBERS OF BASINGSTOKE CANAL JMC

After the initial period all will be co-opted for a period of 4 years and are eligible for re-

<b>Full Name of Organisation</b>	National Trust, River Wey & Godalming Navigations	
<b>Name of individual</b>	John Gibson	
<b>Expression of Interest (Max 500 words)</b>	<p>I have been employed as General Manager for the River Wey &amp; Godalming Navigations since 1998. The River Wey Navigations is one of the earliest river navigations operating continuously since opening in 1653. The Godalming extension opened in 1764. The Basingstoke Canal connects with the Wey at Newahw and I have worked closely with the Basingstoke team over a number of years to promote mutually beneficial operations.</p> <p>The 20 miles of waterway run through five borough council areas and sits within the County of Surrey. The property has over 2,000 direct neighbours, approximately 500,000 day visits along the towpath each year, 300 craft moored along the waterway and around 400 visiting boats per annum. The property is self-financing but resources are not unlimited and it is always a challenge to balance conflicting priorities.</p> <p>I have experience working with a wide variety of stakeholders and of developing positive relationships to enable the continued and successful operation of the waterways. I would hope I would be able to provide a positive contribution to the work of the JMC.</p>	
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