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-appointment

Full Name of Organisation	Residential Boat Owners' Association (RBOA)	
Name of individual	Alan Wildman (Chairman)	
Expression of Interest (Max 500 words)	I am authorised by the Officers and Committee of the Residential Boat Owners' Association to express the Association's interest in being reappointed to a place on the Basingstoke Canal Joint Management Committee. RBOA has accumulated many years of knowledge and experience in residential boating matters, much of which is becoming ever more relevant with the increase in numbers of resident boaters; and Central Government's recognition of the legitimacy of boat dwelling. It is widely recognised that responsible residential boaters and genuine/compliant continuous cruisers (boats without home moorings) bring added vibrancy and financial benefits to the waterway corridors they use. RBOA was founded in 1963 and is the only national, volunteer organisation specifically representing the interests of those who chose to live afloat in the United Kingdom. We have members on canals, rivers, marinas, estuaries and in coastal locations. RBOA encourages responsible residential boating in all its various formats. To this end, RBOA recently launched its' Voluntary Code of Good Practice, a document supported by a number of navigation authorities and boating groups. A copy is attached herewith for information. RBOA is often consulted over a wide range of residential boating topics and has a signed Memorandum of Understanding with Canal & River Trust. We have a similarly signed agreement with Port of London Authority. RBOA is keen to work with BCJMC, in whatever way we might, to the ultimate benefit of the Basingstoke Canal and all users thereon.	
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