

Canal and River Trust Report for Marsworth Annual Parish Meeting 2024

Jan 24 - Part of the bank of Marsworth reservoir eroded – urgent planned works to complete a repair

Feb 24 - planned works to repair the bank took place, causing some disruption on gaining access to walkways, at the same time we conducted a leak test on Startops Reservoir by filling it to max levels, this had positive results, however having both works plus some vegetation removal near the new spillway meant there was a lot going on at the same time, but all works is almost complete...I am chasing removal of tress arisings.

The contractor was unable to complete the path coverings as it was too wet, they will be back later this year to complete that work and pay some attention to the lower towpath where the redirection of walkers caused the towpath to become very muddy.

The caravan saga came to an end after lots of negotiations with the owners who eventually had left the caravan, so I gave notice and then removed.

Water levels in the area have been difficult to manage, we are experiencing unprecedented ground water levels that are adding to the problem of moving water without overtopping, but so far we have managed well and have isolated areas of concern that we monitor daily

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