North Walsham and Dilham Canal Trust

Work Party Report

Date: **Sunday 30th April 2023**

Locations: **Bacton Wood Lock**

Task: **To cut grass pathways and canal banks**

- The volunteers met at 9.00am and took all equipment up to Bacton lock where the grass around the lock was cut.

- The floor of the canal was mowed as far north until the ground became too wet.

- Plenty of brambles were cut back also.

- Below: Pictures of volunteers using the <u>new electric mower</u> and the <u>electric brush cutter</u> in action, as well as our existing powered tools.

- With the DR mower all the opposite bank top was cut right up to the bund, by the end of the day Alan and Jonathan had combined to cut the base of the canal from the lock gates (and the Mill Arms) as far north as ground conditions allowed.

- The <u>new electric strimmer</u> was used in conjunction with the hedge cutter and all the sloping banks were cut.

- All the arising's were then burnt and disposed of. There was a large amount of steel cabling in the bottom of the canal bed, this was pulled out and dragged back to the base depot to be scrapped.

We finished work at 3.00 pm after all tools were put away and batteries put on charge.

7 work party volunteers helped at this location.

Words and photos supplied by Terry Willoughby and Alan Bertram both Work Party Leaders.

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