

## Light Craft Navigation project - work party

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

Location: Spa Common and Tonnage Bridge

Objective:- assemble platform, transport by road to Tonnage Bridge and moor in canal

### Work party report



The work party started early with minor but extremely useful tasks - checks on the outboard batteries, number plate spring clips on to new trailer, a repair to the red trailer lighting board and five mooring ropes for the pontoons were cut and sealed.



Next a large 'T' shaped platform was assembled and split in two for transport.

These were then loaded onto the new trailer together with the piles and the variety of tools required to re-assemble it and moor it at Tonnage Bridge.



The access to the desired location at Tonnage Bridge was not trafficable so the two separate parts of the platform were launched using the nearby spillway and each moved round to the required location by hand.

The section nearest to the land was moored and the second part was connected to the first and then also moored.

The volunteers were then offered a chance to take a trip on a wherry (The Newun) to Wayford Junction and back – impressive.

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