

Narrowboats Transfer

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Do you agree that the Narrowboats offer an opportunity for all citizens to explore and understand the Nottingham waterways?



Do you agree that the narrowboats should transfer to an external charitable trust to allow this service to further develop?



Any further comments?

The Narrowboats have been an excellent resource for the young people of Notts to experience the Canals and Rivers. Moving it to a Charitable Trust may enable external funding to support their activities and provide more opportunities for Schools, Colleges and Youth groups, including vulnerable young adults, to deliver heritage, environmental a

I have seen at first hand how trips by young people have benefitted them. I have seen an increase in self esteem as they achieve things that were alien to them and their peers before the experience. Confidence has also increased as they understand how canals,locks, rivers work. Due to cut backs recently I have also seen the provision of this s

I believe that the project has had many positive outcomes over the years working with the cities young people & should carry doing this. Myself & my children have been on trips with this project & really enjoyed it.

I have lived on a narrow boat on the Beeston Cut since 2000 and have regularly seen your boats with their 'crews' of all ages and the enjoyment experienced by them has always been a pleasure to behold. To lose this asset for the waterways would be a travesty and if the way forward is a Charitable Trust then I am 110% behind it.

Old peoples homes have used the boats for their residents. Wheelchair access is important - please keep this.

I used the narrow boats for a cub Scout trip. The experience the children had went above all expectations. The staff were absolutely brilliant. Doing the lock was a highlight, and many children have asked to go again. The most important thing was that we had two wheelchair users with us. They had a very enjoyable time too. We had a grant whic

Changing to a charitable trust should hopefully open up more opportunities for other users in Nottingham/shire to access the boats. This is a great service especially for groups of all ages to explore and learn about the waterways.

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Any further comments?

I think by going to a charitable trust it will enable the price to be kept reasonable and make accessing this service easier to all concerned.

A trip on a narrowboat is a marvellous experience for all age groups and backgrounds so I agree with anything which will extend the service.

the volunteers were great and very helpful

I would like to become a volunteer, please could you advise how to proceed. Simon.layhe@gmail.com

The Council must handle the transfer responsibly and not make this a typical 'cost saving' exercise, in time for budget deadlines, to represent savings on paper. There is a condition to my support for the transfer, in that the City Council continues to fund/subsidise the proje for a3-5 year period in order for it to become self sufficient.

Click Nottingham has used the Narrowboats for days out for our members. They provide an opportunity for connection, learning and fun - something that is vital for social inclusion. We would love to see this service continue and grow, and if moving to a Charitable Trust is the best way to help this to happen - then we fully support it.

Good idea

I am an ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) lecturer at Central College and have taken my students on 3 trips over the last 4 years. As they come from a wide variety of different countries, most of them have never had the opportunity to experience the waterways of England and to see its rich wildlife. They love it and it has led to

This is an excellent service which must be allowed to continue for the benefit of the people and city of Nottingham.

I have been on two narrowboat trips with my students so far and they have both been fantastic. The skippers show real skill in helping students of all ages get involved and develop confidence through teamwork and the acquisition of new skills and knowledge. They have also helped inspire an interest in Nottingham's history, geography and people

Our children had a great experience on the boat and they still talk about it a year on.

Have enjoyed this service with people with learning disabilities for many years, long may it continue, and putting it in the hands of a charitable trust would seem an excellent idea to increase funding opportunities

I've taken my brownie group on a narrowboat residential and evening trips (mostly dressed as pirates) we've had an amazing time everytime -long may it continue for brownies of the future

Our school has used these and they are a superb REAL experience .

Before I commented on the transfer of the service to a charitable trust, I would want to know what the benefits are, as opposed to the 'cost.' Debs has done a fantastic job running that project, and without her it would not be the same, and I would probably no longer support it if she were not there

Its a fun activity which would be a shame to lose if a way of developing it further could be sought.

The narrowboats have been a really valuable learning resource which we have used to develop confidence and calm in our students; the team are superb and we would be keen to continue to work with them.

They are a great asset to the City

Nottingham City Council are so poor to the detriment on City status in promoting both its river and canal network and it is about time it let people with vision and expertise develop this part of the City's assets.

I would like to see trips for anyone & everyone available along the Trent near to Nottingham. It is a gap that Nottingham Tourism needs to fill.

It would be a great opportunity for kids and groups and families to try new things on the canal

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Any further comments?

if it works then proceed and good luck you have my support make it work for you customers cheers

Better with the city council rather than a charitable trust

Nottingham City Council be able in the agreement to take back the Narrowboats from the charitable organisation whenever he desire to do so. Such clause should be introduced in the agreement as part of the termination of the contract. Thank you.

Is this really the total "consultation"? There is no background to it, no projection of what the future arrangement could provide. If there was evr proof that consultation was only regarded as a an exercise that had to be carried out, this would be it. As you can guess, really not impressed.

need to however make sure that the wide range of groups that currently either use or have the oppertunity to use the boats are built into the charity over riding principles..

The less that the city council have to do with such projects the better. Most projects ran by the council end up failing or costing way more than expected. Let's hope the charitable trust do not have ex council jobs worthy on the staffing!

Is this being used for breaks for parents as well as children?As I feel that we can offer too much to certain groups,is it funded by the parents as well?because if not,that is wrong,as we would all like a break.

I do not know enough to answer the first question. As there was no alternative to Yes/No I answered No. Given the its simplistic nature and lack of fair questions will the survey be valid? Although the service has been extended from its original "youth" adventure aim, how much has it been promoted to and used by older people? At 75 yr I did n

The priority for a service like this as a charity or as one run by the Local Authority should be to serve the most vulnerable; low income families, support groups for the disabled, youth groups.

I did not know this service existed, but as an ex social worker (including working with offenders of all ages, and vulnerable families/individuals) I can see how this would offer a more relaxed, activity based oppportunity for people being assessed by a range of professionals, to increase there ability to built positive relationships, and to be

what will happen if the charity runs out of funding?

None

I did not know the City Council owned two Narrow boats. Do all the Schools in the City/County know these Narrow boats can be hired. How many hires a year do they undertake.

I am concerned that insurance requirements for the boats limit their range and the routes available to participants. I welcome the increased participation that moving the narrowboat project into a charitable trust would bring. The implication at present is that the project operates for the benefit of youth groups or special needs groups.

It should stay under the remit of Nottingham City Council.

The Narrowboat project has helped me gain confidence and self esteem. I am now a lot more comfortable being in groups of people and speaking in front of them. I am grateful for all the support and oppourtyns they give to people like me and others in the community.

The oppportunity to utilise these boats should be much more widely advertised - I work with Scouting groups and the Nottinghamshire County Council youth team and had no idea they existed!

The transfer of Green's Windmill to a Charitable Trust has become an unqualified success. I would suggest that whoever is in charge on this transfer have a conversation with the team up at the Mill.

I feel the narrtowboats have been a fabulous asset to the community of Nottingham. It's is imperative that they remain available as a service to the underprivileged youth and children. I would love to see them remain in the city and the service expand.

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Narrow Boats are a great attraction for visitors and locals alike. I think a charitable association would have a lot more enthusiasts to volunteer and give their time for the enjoyment of working a narrow boat part time.

We (Canal & River Trust, East Midlands) welcome this proposal. The Nottingham Narrowboats provide a valuable and unique opportunity for all in Nottingham to experience the waterways and we support the plans to allow the scheme to develop further. We look forward to continued working with the team in the future.