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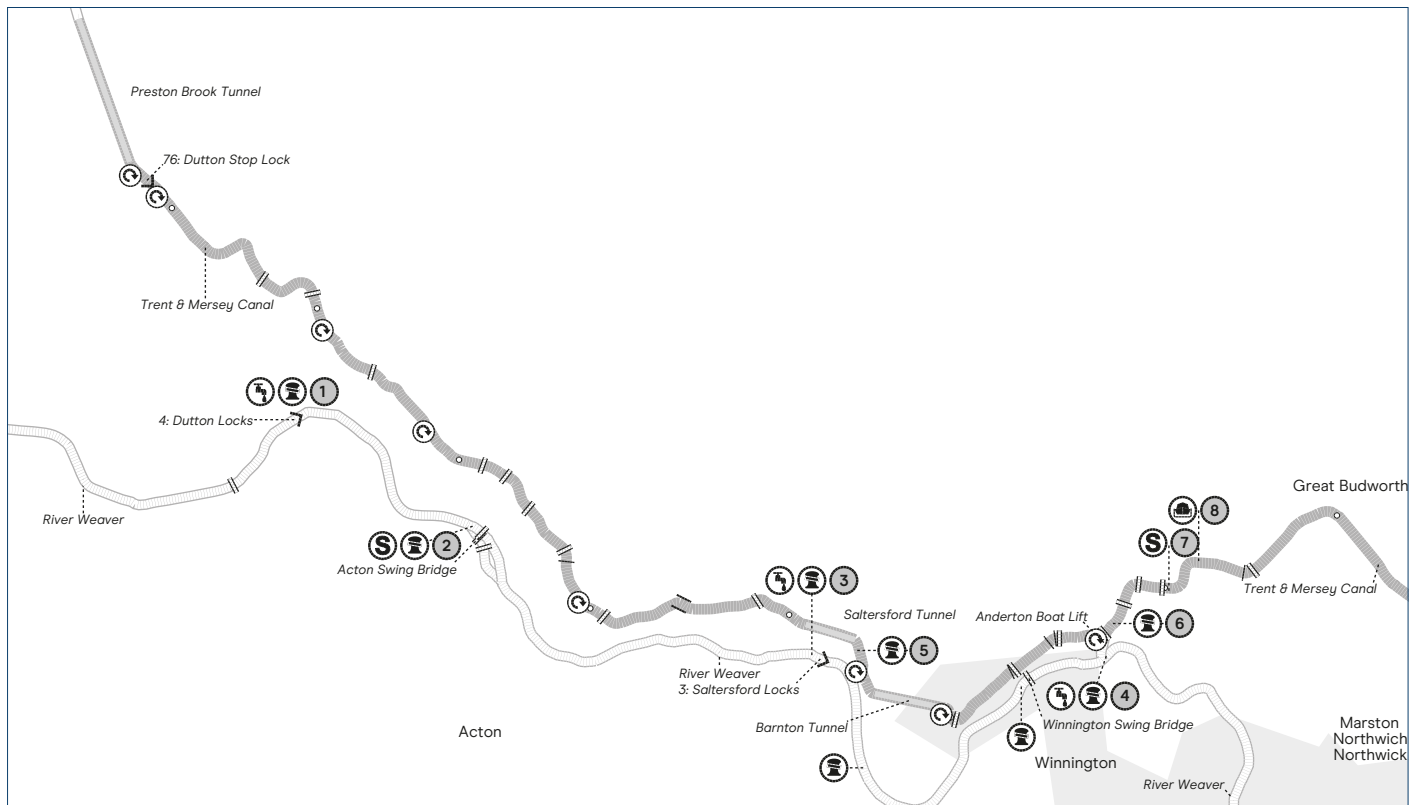
A note about the data

These guides list information we currently have on our facilities, dimensions and navigation guidance, based upon local knowledge and expertise. Whilst we anticipate that this data is reasonably accurate, we cannot guarantee its precision. Therefore, this data should only be used as a helpful guide and you should always use your own judgement taking into account local circumstances at any particular time. If you spot something wrong, please let us know canalrivertrust.org.uk/contact-us

Key to facilities

-  Winding hole (length specified)
-  Winding hole (full length)
-  Visitor mooring
-  Information and office
-  Dock and/or slipway
-  Slipway only
-  Services and facilities
-  Water point only

Trent & Mersey Canal



Navigation notes

Trent & Mersey Canal

Preston Brook to Horninglow Basin, Burton-upon-Trent: Craft up to 9ft 6in beam can navigate the canal from the Bridgewater Canal to Croxton Aqueduct, but Preston Brook Tunnel will need extreme caution at this beam. A craft with a full-width superstructure at this beam would not pass through the tunnel. Craft up to 12ft 6in beam can access the Anderton to Croxton Aqueduct section via the Anderton Lift, but considerable care is needed as the channel is narrow in places.

Locks & bridges

Trent & Mersey Canal

Preston Brook Tunnel: Access to Preston Brook Tunnel is restricted to northbound on the hour to 10 mins past the hours; southbound on the half hour to 20 mins to the hour. 1239 yards long and forbidden to unpowered craft. No towpath within this crooked tunnel.

📍 Services & facilities

River Weaver

2 Acton Bridge: Water, refuse disposal.

Trent & Mersey Canal

7 Anderton Services: Water, Elsan disposal, pump-out, toilet, shower, car parking.

Maximum Dimensions

Preston Brook to Croxton

Length: 21.95m (72ft)
Beam: 2.74m (9ft)
Draught: 1.1m (3ft 7")
Headroom: 1.9m (6ft 1")

Croxton to Wardle Junction

Length: 21.95m (72ft)
Beam: 2.13m (7ft)
Draught: 1.1m (3ft 7")
Headroom: 1.9m (6ft 1")

Wardle Junction to Trentham Lock

Length: 21.95m (72ft)
Beam: 2.13m (7ft)
Draught: 1.1m (3ft 7")
Headroom: 1.78m (5ft 10")

Trentham Lock to Great Haywood

Length: 21.95m (72ft)
Beam: 2.13m (7ft)
Draught: 1.1m (3ft 7")
Headroom: 1.98m (6ft 6")

Great Haywood to Horninglow Basin

Length: 21.95m (72ft)
Beam: 2.13m (7ft)
Draught: 1.1m (3ft 7")
Headroom: 1.94m (6ft 3")

Horninglow Basin to Shardlow

Length: 21.95m (72ft)
Beam: 4.26m (13ft 11")
Draught: 1.1m (3ft 7")
Headroom: 2.13m (7ft)

Shardlow to Derwent Mouth Lock

Length: 21.95m (72ft)
Beam: 4.26m (13ft 11")
Draught: 0.9m (3ft 3")
Headroom: 2.13m (7ft)

Visitor moorings

River Weaver

- 1** Dutton Lock: Maximum 48 hours.
- 2** Acton Bridge: Maximum 48 hours.
- 3** Saltersford Locks: Maximum 48 hours.
- 4** Anderton Boat Lift: Maximum 48 hours.

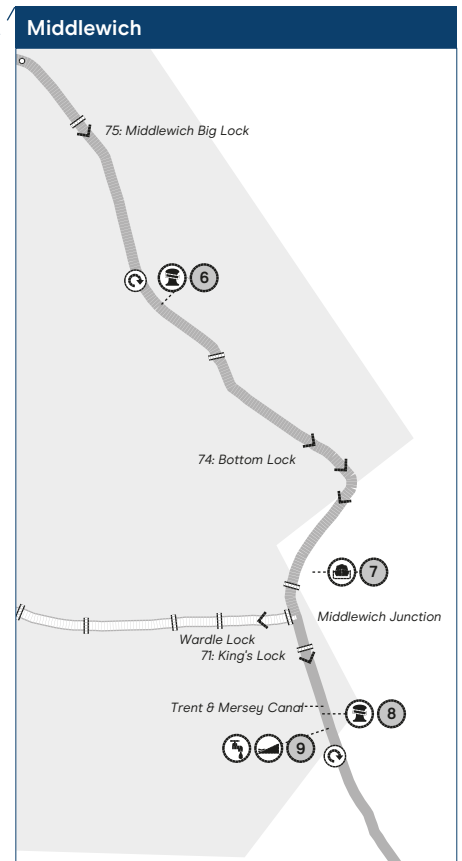
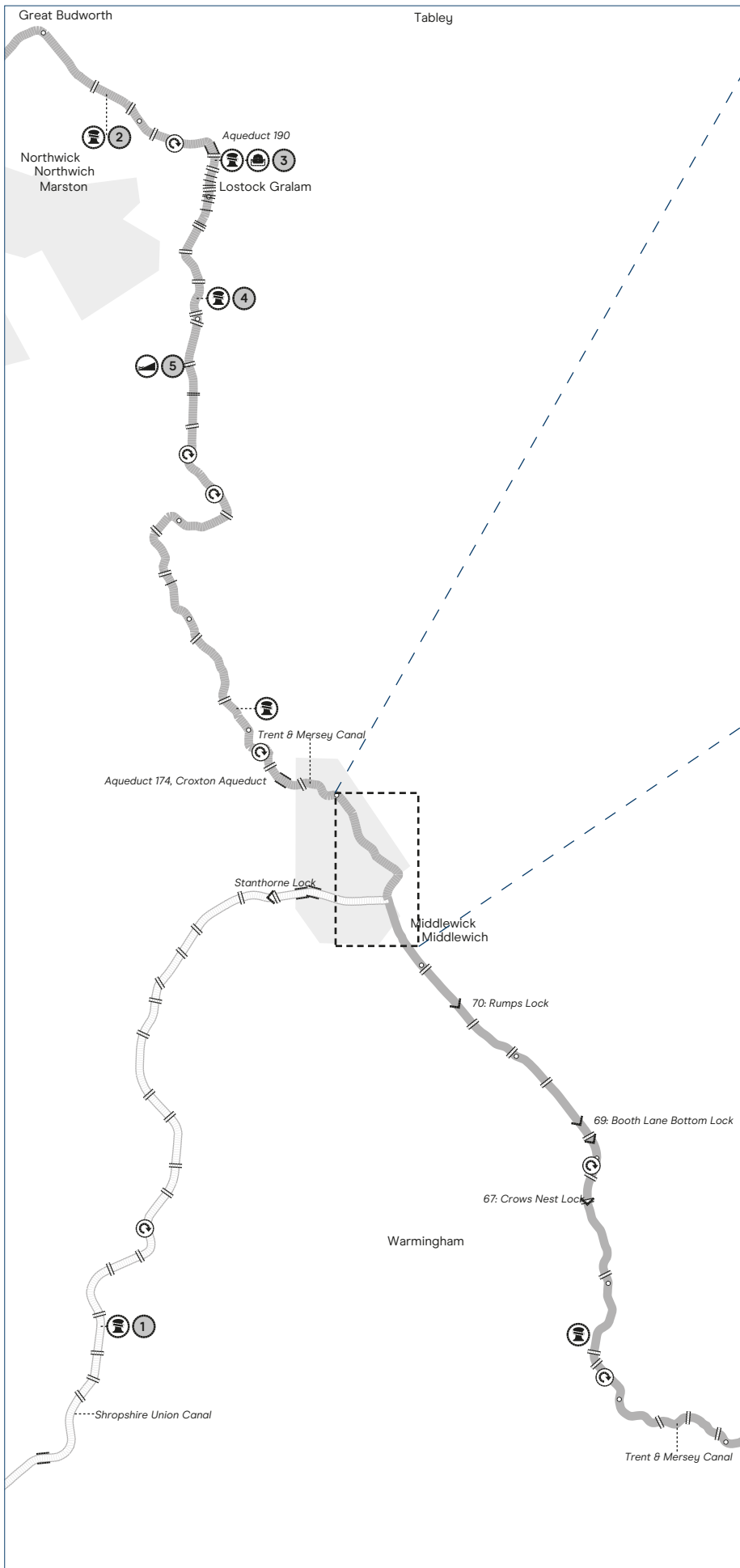
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- 5** Saltersford Tunnel: Maximum 14 days.
- 6** Anderton: Maximum 48 hours.

Slipways & docks

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 8** Alvechurch Marine, Anderton:
Slipway, dry-dock.



Visitor moorings

Shropshire Union Canal

- 1** Minshull: Maximum 48 hours. Total 150 metres.

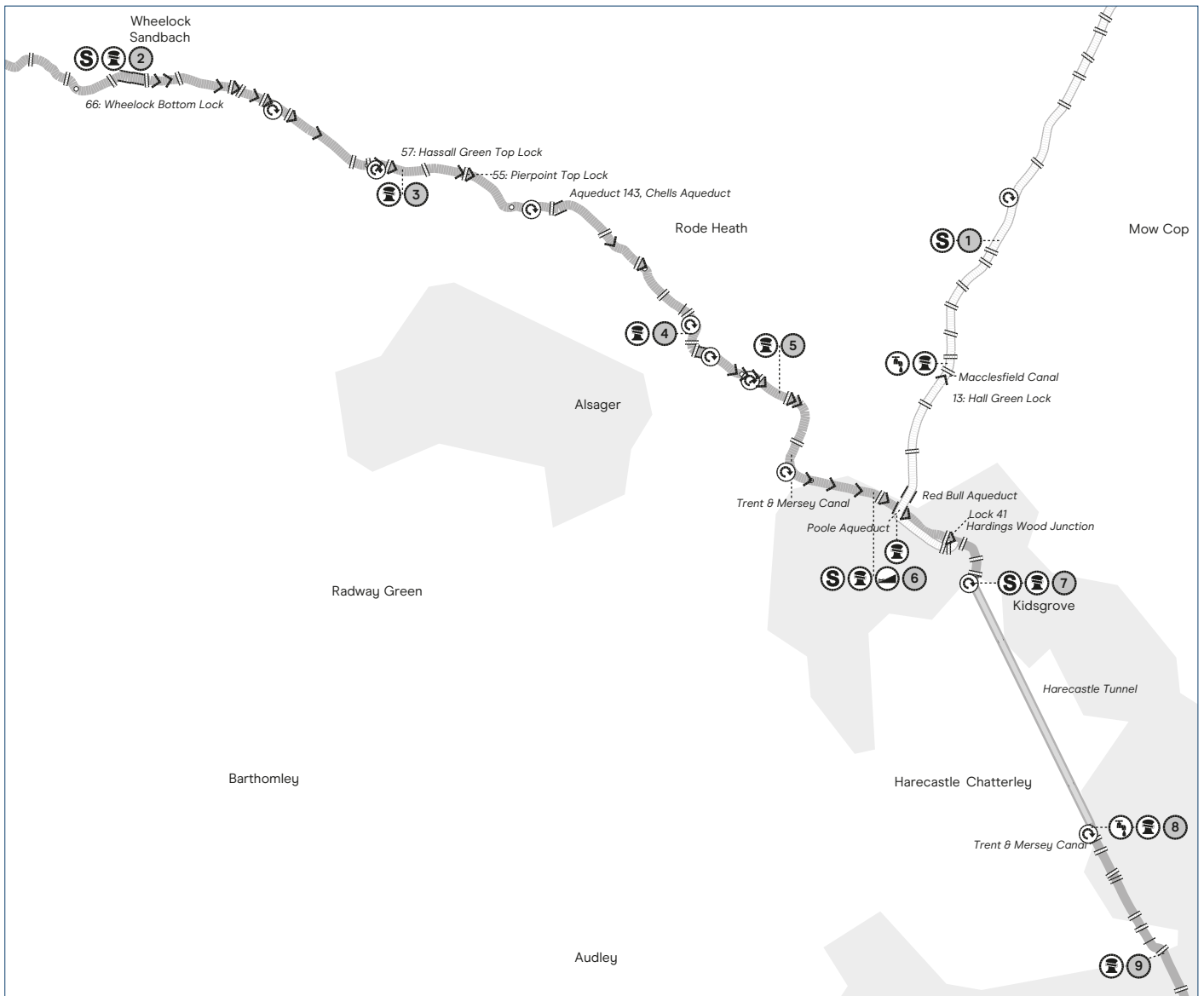
Trent & Mersey Canal

- 2** Lion Salt Works: Maximum 14 days.
- 3** Wincham Wharf: Maximum 24 hours.
- 4** Broken Cross: Maximum 14 days.
- 6** Middlewich Park, Br 172: Maximum 14 days.
- 8** Kings Lock, Br 167: Maximum 14 days.

Slipways & docks

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 3** Wincham Wharf, Northwich: Dry-dock.
- 5** Orchard Marina, Gadbrook: Slipway.
- 7** Middlewich Narrowboats: Dry-dock.
- 9** Kings Lock, Middlewich: Slipway.



Locks & bridges

Trent & Mersey Canal

Lock 61, Cardboard Lock; and **Lock 54:** This lock (left-hand side) is slightly narrow. The lock is paired so full-beam craft should use the right-hand lock.

Services & facilities

Macclesfield Canal

1 Heritage Narrow Boats: Water, pump-out, diesel, servicing, moorings & shop also available.

Trent & Mersey Canal

2 Wheelock Services: Water, Elsan disposal, toilet, shower, car parking.

6 Red Bull Services: Water, Elsan disposal, pump-out, toilet, shower, car parking, laundry.

7 Harecastle (North) services: Elsan disposal, toilet, shower.

Visitor moorings

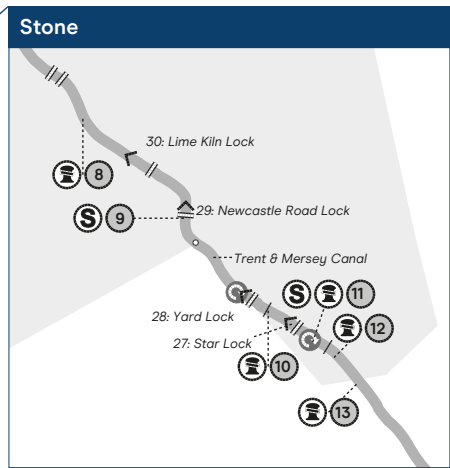
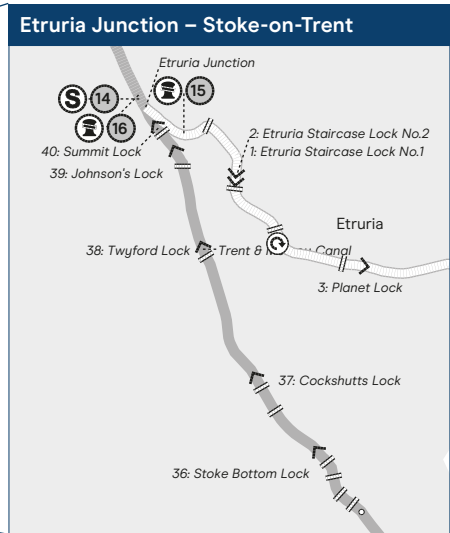
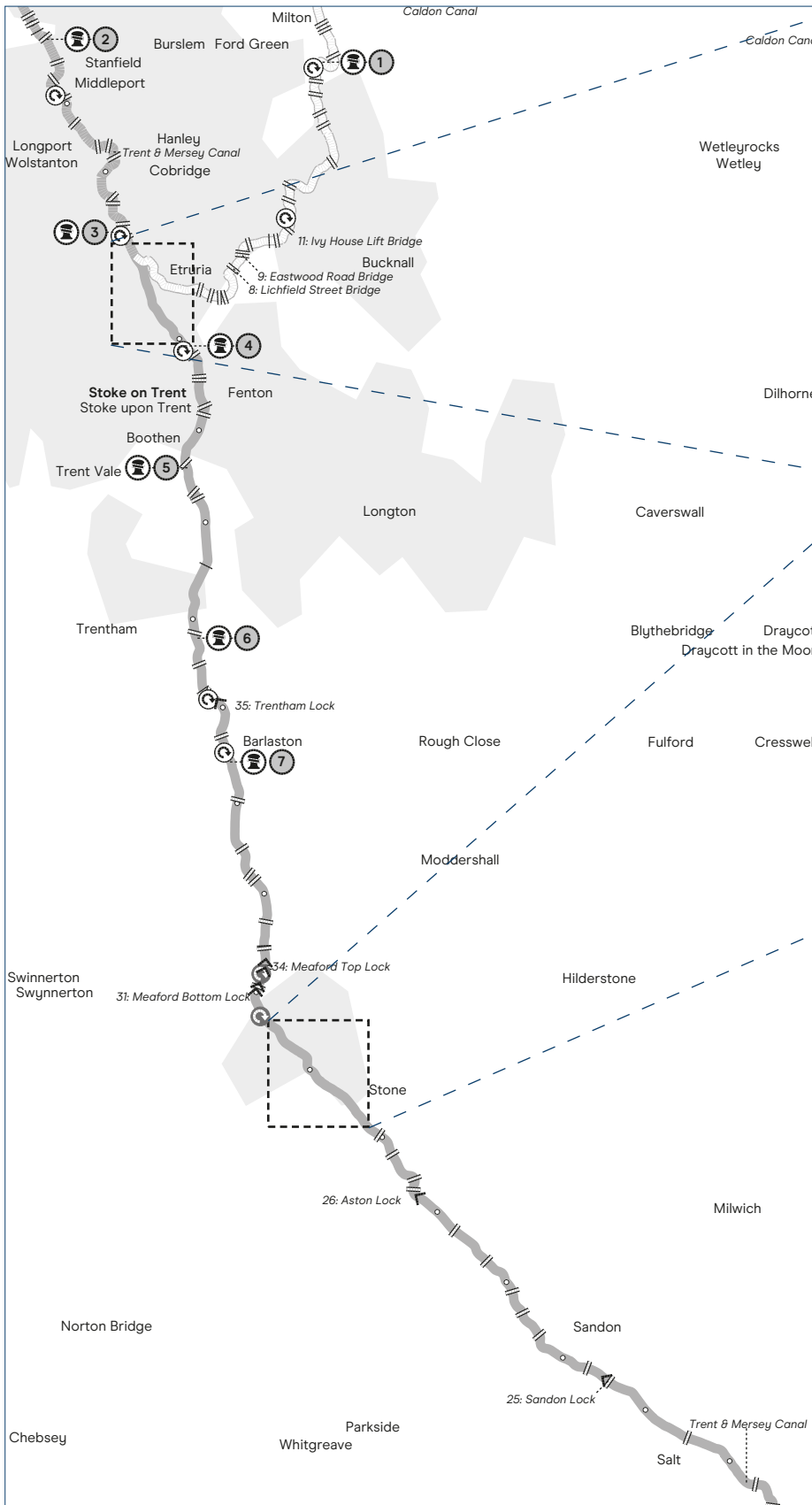
Trent & Mersey Canal

- 2 Wheelock:** Maximum 48 hours.
- 3 Hassall Green:** Maximum 14 days.
- 4 Rode Heath, Br 138:** Maximum 14 days.
- 5 Church Lawton, Br 136:** Maximum 14 days.
- 6 Red Bull:** Maximum 48 hours.
- 7 Harecastle, north:** Tunnel only. Maximum 24 hours.
- 8 Harecastle, south:** Tunnel only. Maximum 24 hours.
- 9 West Port, Br 128:** Maximum 14 days.

Slipways & docks

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 6 Red Bull:** Slipway.



Locks & bridges

Caldon Canal

Lock 3, Planet Lock: Anti-vandal fitted.

Bridge 8, Lichfield Street Bridge; and Bridge 9, Eastwood Road Bridge: Very low bridge.

Bridge 11, Ivy House Lift Bridge: Canal & River Trust key required. Very low bridge.

Trent & Mersey Canal

Lock 35, Trentham Lock; and Lock 40, Summit Lock: Anti-vandal locks fitted.

⑤ Services & facilities

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 9** **Below Newcastle Road Lock:** Water, Elsan disposal, refuse disposal.
- 9** **Stone, Br 95:** Water, Elsan disposal, refuse disposal.
- 11** **Star Lock, close to Br 93:** Refuse disposal.

Caldon Canal

- 14** **Etruria visitor moorings (Caldon):** Water, Elsan disposal, pump-out, toilet, shower, refuse disposal.

⑥ Visitor moorings

Caldon Canal

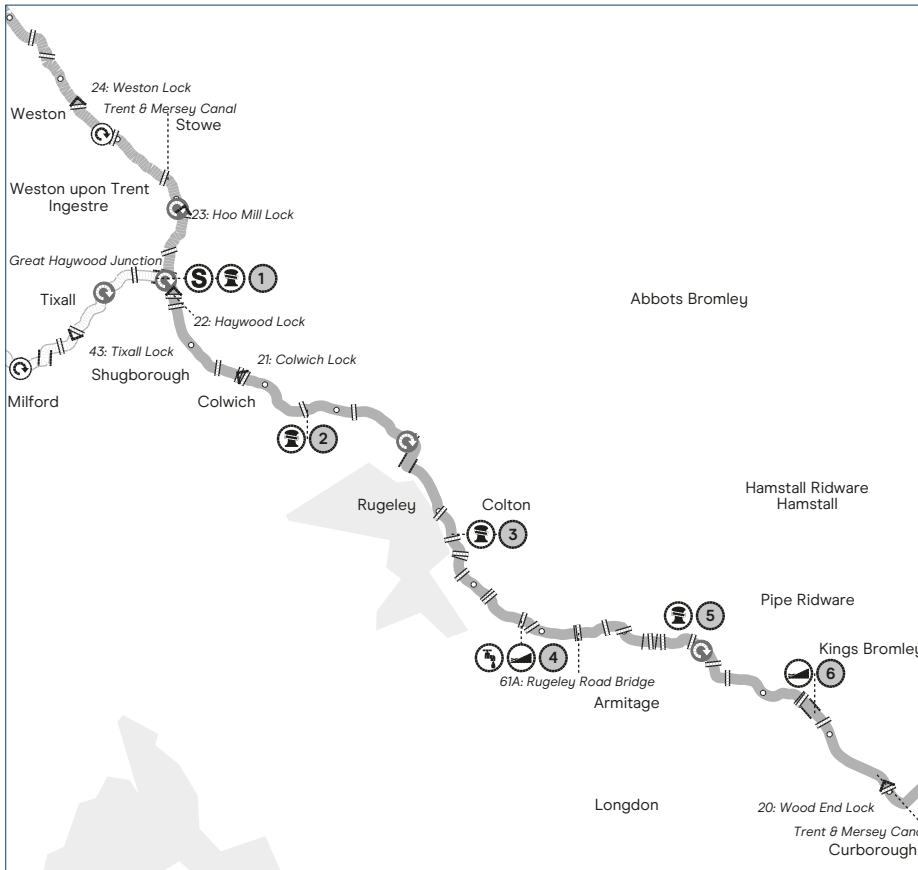
- 1** **Foxley Pub, Milton:** Overnight only.

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 2** **West Port, Br 128:** Maximum 14 days.
- 3** **Festival Park, Br 117:** Maximum 14 days.
- 4** **Glebe Street:** Maximum 14 days.
- 5** **Hyde Park Tiles, Br 109:** Maximum 14 days.
- 6** **Trentham, Br 106:** Maximum 14 days.
- 7** **Barlaston:** Maximum 7 days. Total 390 metres.
- 8** **Stone, above Limekiln Basin:** Maximum 5 days. Total 173 metres.
- 10** **Stone, above Star Lock:** Maximum 48 hours. Total 80 metres.
- 11** **Stone:** Maximum 24 hours. Total 15 metres.
- 12** **Stone, below Star Lock:** Maximum 48 hours. Total 128 metres.
- 13** **Stone:** Maximum 5 days. Total 55 metres.
- 15** **Etruria (Caldon):** Maximum 48 hours.

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 16** **Etruria (Trent & Mersey):** Maximum 14 days.



Locks & bridges

Trent & Mersey Canal

Bridge 61A, Rugeley Road Bridge: Site of Armitage Tunnel. Though the tunnel was opened out in the 1970s, the canal is still narrow here and passage is one-way only.

🅈 Services & facilities

Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal

- 1 Great Haywood Junction:** Water, Elsan disposal, pump-out, toilet, refuse disposal. Pumpout and Elsan is at Anglo-Welsh.

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 4 Spode:** Water. Canal & River Trust key required.

🅈 Visitor moorings

Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal

- 1 Great Haywood Junction:** Maximum 48 hours.

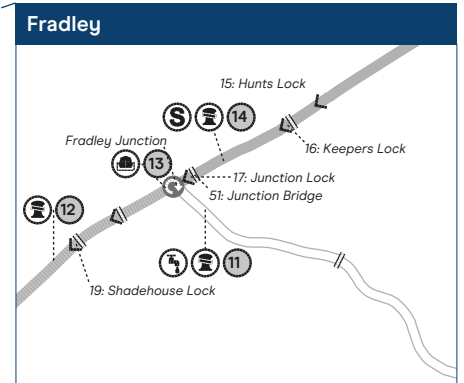
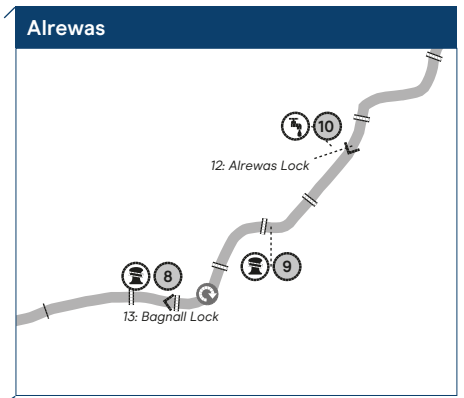
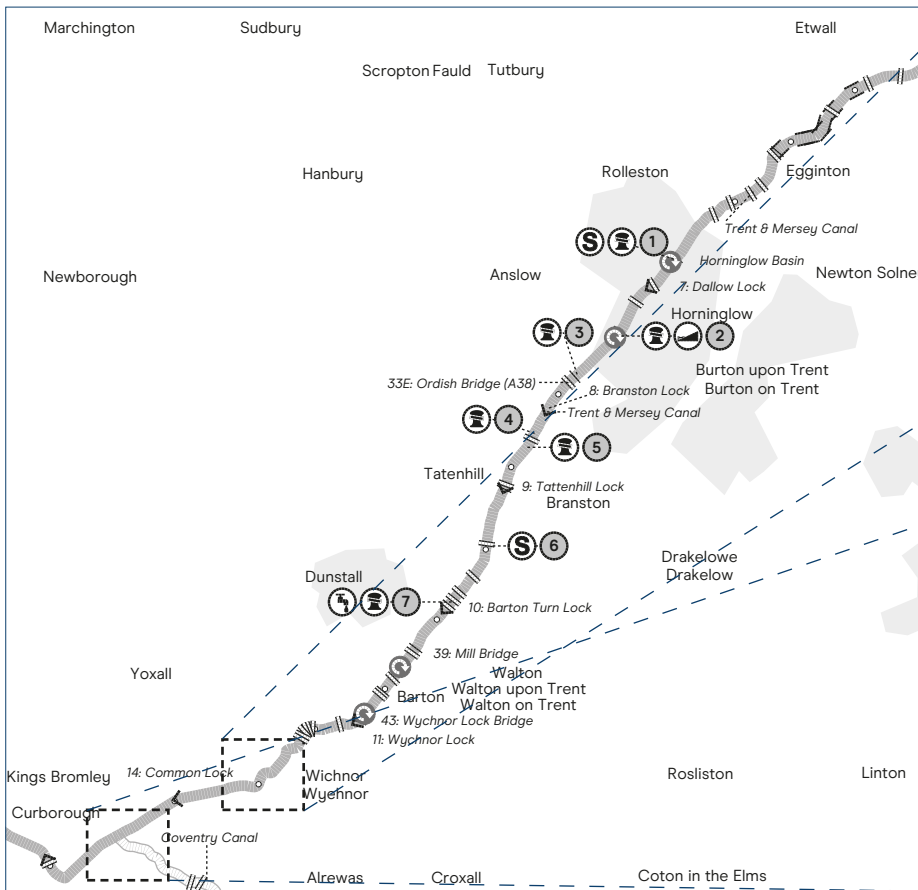
Trent & Mersey Canal

- 1 Great Haywood Junction:** Maximum 48 hours. Total 360 metres.
- 2 Wolsley Bridge:** Maximum 48 hours.
- 3 Rugeley:** Maximum 48 hours.
- 5 Handsacre downstream of Br 58:** Maximum 48 hours.

🚢 Slipways & docks

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 4 Ashtree Boat Club:** Slipway. Maximum length: 50ft. Maximum beam: 7ft. Please note these are private facilities provided by the Ashtree Boat Club, please call 01889 583 081 for bookings and information.
- 6 Kings Bromley Marina:** Slipway. Maximum length: 50ft. Maximum beam: 7ft. Please note these are private facilities provided by Kings Bromley Marina, please call 01543 417 209 for bookings and information.



Navigation notes

Trent & Mersey Canal

Burton-upon-Trent to Shardlow: Stenson Lock is very tight at 14ft beam, and Weston Lock at 72ft length.

Locks & bridges

Trent & Mersey Canal

Bridge 51, Junction Bridge; and **Lock 13, Bagnall Lock:** Alrewas River status warning sign located here.

Lock 12, Alrewas Lock: Strong river currents, look at River status on warning signs.

Bridge 43, Wychnor Lock Bridge: Alrewas River status warning sign located here.

Bridge 39, Mill Bridge: Barton Turns Marina. Alrewas river status warning sign located here.

Lock 7, Dallow Lock: Canal & River Trust key required.

Horninglow Basin: Winding Hole for Boats up to 70' and wide beam.

📍 Services & facilities

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 1** **Horninglow Sanitary Station:** Water, Elsan disposal, toilet. Canal & River Trust key required.
- 6** **Oakamoor Cafe, Br 36–37:** Refuse disposal.
- 7** **Barton Turn Lock:** Water. Canal & River Trust key required.
- 10** **Alrewas Lock:** Water. Canal & River Trust key required.

Coventry Canal

- 11** **Swing bridge Fradley Junction:** Water. Canal & River Trust key required.

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 14** **Fradley Service Station:** Water, Elsan disposal, toilet, shower, refuse disposal. Canal & River Trust key required. Shop and information centre which can do boat licences, Canal & River Trust keys, pump out cards. Also launderette facilities available at the Swan Pub, Fradley Junction.

🚢 Visitor moorings

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 1** **Horninglow, Br 32:** Maximum 48 hours.
- 2** **Burton, Shobnal:** Maximum 48 hours.

- 3** **Burton, Centrum 100, downstream of Pipe Br:** Maximum 7 days.
- 4** **Branston, Br 34:** Maximum 48 hours.
- 5** **Branston Water Park:** Maximum 48 hours.
- 7** **Barton Turn, Br 38:** Maximum 48 hours.
- 8** **Alrewas – Bagnall Lock:** Maximum 48 hours.
- 9** **Alrewas Village:** Maximum 48 hours.

Coventry Canal

- 11** **Fradley Junction, swing bridge to 200m south:** Maximum 48 hours. Total 200 metres.

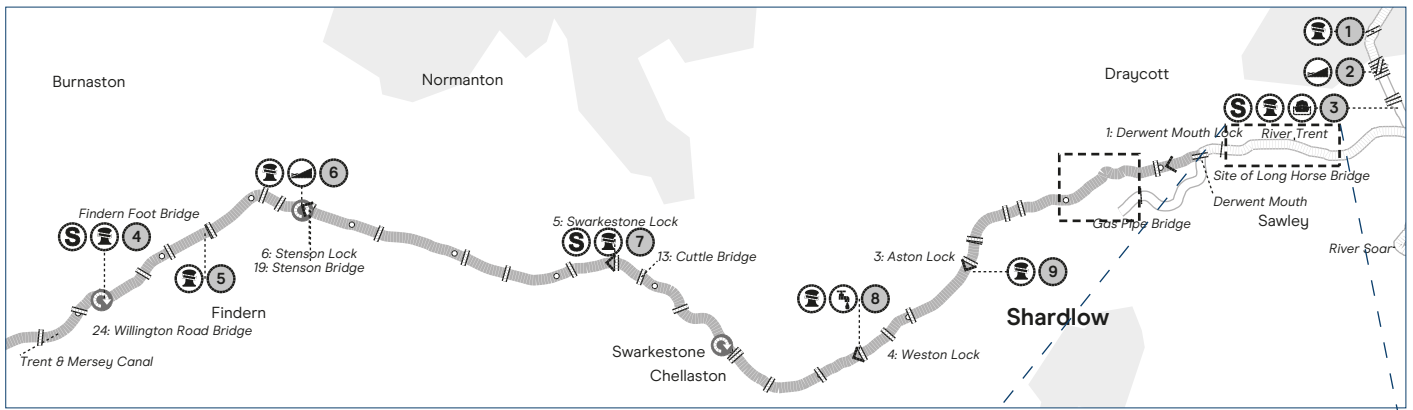
Trent & Mersey Canal

- 12** **Fradley Junction, above Shadehouse Lock:** Maximum 48 hours. Total 100 metres.
- 14** **Fradley Junction, Nature Reserve:** Maximum 48 hours.

🚢 Slipways & docks

Trent & Mersey Canal

- 2** **Jannel Cruisers, Burton-on-Trent:** Slipway. Maximum length: 30-35ft. Maximum beam: 7ft. Please note these are private facilities provided by Jannel Cruisers, please call 01283 542 718 for bookings and information.
- 13** **Ownerships, Fradley:** Dry-dock. Contact pete@fradleydrydock.co.uk



Navigation notes

River Trent

Shardlow to tail of Meadow Lane Lock, Nottingham: Navigation should be possible for boats of up to 81ft length and 14ft 6in beam, but please consult the waterway office first.

Trent & Mersey Canal

Shardlow to Derwent Mouth: Navigation should be possible for boats of up to 81ft, but please consult the waterway office first. The width pinch point between Shardlow Locks and Derwent Mouth is the Environment Agency floodgates at Shardlow, which are 14ft 9in wide.

Locks & bridges

River Trent

Cavendish Bridge; and **Gas Pipe Bridge:** River Trent backwater navigation to Cavendish Bridge, Shardlow.

Site of Long Horse Bridge: This bridge over the Trent is currently missing, causing a break in the towpath.

M1 Bridge: Sawley weir nearby.

Sawley Flood Lock: Windlass required. Observe strong flow warning.

Sawley Lock 1; and **Sawley Lock 2:** Canal & River Trust key required. Observe strong flow warning. Tel: 0115 973 5234; tel: 07717 802 543.

Trent & Mersey Canal

Findern Foot Bridge: Very weak. Pedestrians must cross one at a time.

Bridge 2, Wilne Bridge: Strong river currents. Look at river status on warning signs. Lights operated by the Environment Agency.

Services & facilities

Erewash Canal

3 Trent Lock: Water, Elsan disposal, toilet. Windlass, handcuff and Canal & River Trust keys required. Card type: AMPY.

Trent & Mersey Canal

4 Willington Sanitary Station: Water, Elsan disposal, toilet, refuse disposal. Canal & River Trust key required.

7 Swarkestone Lock: Water, refuse disposal. Canal & River Trust key required.

8 Weston Lock: Water. Canal & River Trust key required.

12 Shardlow Lock: Water. Canal & River Trust key required.

Visitor moorings

Erewash Canal

1 Tamworth Road: Total 500 metres.

3 Trent Lock: Maximum 24 hours. Total 58 metres.

Trent & Mersey Canal

4 Willington, Br 23: Maximum 48 hours. Total 120 metres.

5 Findern, Br 21, (Opp Greyhound Pub): Maximum 14 days.

6 Stenson (above lock): Maximum 14 days.

7 Swarkestone (above lock): Maximum 48 hours.

8 Weston Lock: Maximum 48 hours. Total 40 metres.

9 Aston Lock: Maximum 48 hours. Total 50 metres.

River Trent

10 Sawley Lock: Maximum 24 hours. Total 150 metres.

Trent & Mersey Canal

14 Shardlow, Wilne Lane Br 2 to Shardlow: Maximum 48 hours.

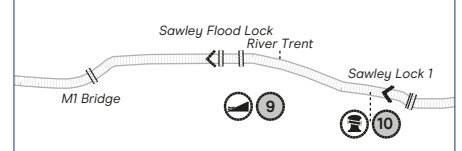
15 Shardlow, (off side) above Br 2: Maximum 48 hours.

Slipways & docks

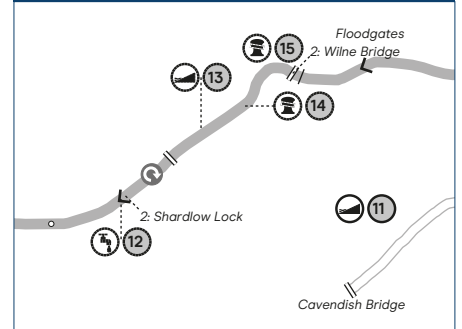
Erewash Canal

2 Long Eaton Marina: Slipway. To book tel: 0115 9461752.

Sawley



Shardlow



3 Mills Dock Yard: Dry-dock. To book telephone 0115 9732595.

3 Trent Lock: Dry-dock. To book tel: 0115 9727936.

Trent & Mersey Canal

6 Stenson Marina, Midland Canal Centre: Slipway. Maximum length: 72ft. Maximum beam: 7ft. Please note these are private facilities provided by Midland Canal Centre, please call 01283 701933 for bookings and information.

River Trent

9 Sawley Marina: Slipway. Tel: 01159734278.

Trent & Mersey Canal

11 Shardlow Marina: Slipway. Tel: 01332 9734278.

13 Dobson of Shardlow, Canal Craft: Slipway. Maximum length: 30-35ft. Maximum beam: 7ft. Please note these are private facilities provided by Canal Craft in Shardlow, please call 01332 792271 for bookings and information.