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Proposal: Haversham cum Little Linford Neighbourhood Plan

Waterway: Grand Union Canal

Thank you for your consultation.

We are the charity who look after and bring to life 2000 miles of canals ϑ rivers. Our waterways contribute to the health and wellbeing of local communities and economies, creating attractive and connected places to live, work, volunteer and spend leisure time. These historic, natural and cultural assets form part of the strategic and local green-blue infrastructure network, linking urban and rural communities as well as habitats. By caring for our waterways and promoting their use we believe we can improve the wellbeing of our nation. The Trust is a statutory consultee in the Development Management process.

Based on the information available we offer the following general advice:

Thank you for clarifying that the parish boundary runs adjacent to the Grand Union Canal for a short distance. Despite comments at an earlier stage of the plan there is little recognition of the canal in the document although it is now mentioned as a separate entity from the Ouse Valley Park. The plan now states' The Grand Union Canal, the longest canal, forms a small part of the parish boundary at Stanton Low Park'. Surely this should say that 'the Grand union canal, the longest canal in the country'. There is still no other recognition of the canal.

If I can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

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