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Hello

As you will no doubt know by now, British Waterways will be transferring its navigations to the Canal & River Trust in April 2012 and there's plenty to do to prepare for the switch over.

Here in Watford, the web team is busy constructing a new website fit for the new charity. To the delight of many of our users, waterscape.com and britishwaterways.co.uk will be cleansed of old information and joined together. It's going to be much easier to find what you're looking for and, more importantly, it's going to be easier than ever to tell us what you want to see on the site.

However, before the new site is up and running we need to populate it with engaging, accurate and useful information and we're hoping that you can help us. The new site is going to carry a description of each British Waterways-owned waterway and rather than taking the text directly from waterscape we would like to update it with the help of local experts.

If you want to play a part in creating the Canal & River Trust website please take a look at the canals and rivers page on waterscape (<http://www.waterscape.com/canals-and-rivers>), select your local canal from the list and let us know what you think about the text on the page. Is it dated? Is it missing information or do you think it's perfect? Of course if you want to actually send us some text, we'd be delighted to consider it.

Please send any feedback you have about our waterway pages to feedback@waterscape.com. If you provide us with text and we use it we'll credit you and your canal society or trust on the page.

There are going to be plenty of other opportunities to have a say in the new site over the coming months. We've got a growing group of website testers and we welcome any new offers of help. In addition we're also developing self-service listing features and will be inviting you to submit the details of your trust or society over the coming months.

For the latest updates on the new website keep checking my blog and if you want to keep up to date with the latest charity information you can sign up for more information here (<http://www.waterscape.com/findoutmore>).

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

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