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Dear Mr Hetherington

I am writing to you in your capacity as Planning Inspector considering the Telford and Wrekin Local Plan 2011 - 2031 with regard to safeguarding the alignment of the Shrewsbury and Newport Canals.

I wish to add my voice to many of my friends and acquaintances who currently use the accessible parts of the canal for leisure purposes and wish to see the Canals restored to a navigable waterway in the long term.

The Trust currently trying to restore the Canals to navigable waterways is working tirelessly and has achieved some success in reclaiming the old canal waterway and paths. With this in mind I wish to add my voice to support your proposals that Telford and Wrekin Council safeguard the alignment and not support development likely to destroy the canal alignment or its associated structures. In addition, that Telford and Wrekin Council ensure that the alignment is protected or an alternative alignment provided in the event that development over the canal is proposed.

I would also support your recommendation that any proposals for the restoration of the Shrewsbury to Newport canal should only be supported where they can demonstrate that there will be no adverse impacts upon the natural and historic environment including designated sites, heritage assets, habitats and species in accordance with Policies NE1, NE2, BE4, BE6 and BE8.

Regards
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