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Having seen the document with the file name:

L1_TWLP_2011_2031___Schedule_of_Proposed_Main_Modifications_July_2017.pdf, I am pleased to see the modifications listed as MM34 Policy EC12 stating that the line of the Shrewsbury and Newport Canals will be protected.

I think this is extremely important. Whatever the current perceived feasibility of these canals being restored, once the line is destroyed by being built over or by other encroachment then the canals can never be restored. Other canal restorations which have been achieved despite greater difficulties than faced by the supporters of the Shrewsbury and Newport Canals Trust demonstrate that with enough enthusiasm and effort the apparently impossible can be achieved.

The benefits to the whole community of having these canals restored will be manifold, offering a green corridor for walking, cycling, fishing, boating and opportunities for education, and enhanced habitats for wildlife. The restoration of the associated structures and buildings will also attract visitors and help the local economy. Such benefits to communities have been well documented in relation to other canal restorations.

Thank you

Sincerely
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