

NEWS in brief

Staff dig in to restore canal

STAFF from a Swindon firm have been getting their hands dirty helping to restore a little piece of canal heritage.

Staff from Arval, which has its headquarters at Windmill Hill, donned their boots and hard hats to support the Wilts and Berks Canal Trust in the conservation area of Latton Lock.

The team of 20 got stuck into removing bricks and stone from around the lock.

They moved soil, cleared obstructions from the drainage ditch and cut back trees.

Arval marketing director Chris Davies said: "The team had a really good day getting involved in the project and we are delighted that we have been able to contribute in such a positive way.

"Given that some members of the team had never even used a wheel barrow before I was delighted to see the progress that we made during the afternoon for this really worthy cause."

BUSINESS in brief

Staff help clear canal

STAFF from the marketing department at Arval in Swindon donned their boots and hard hats to support the Wilts & Berks Canal Trust in restoring a section of the canal which may eventually run through the town centre.

Arval, the leading fleet and fuel management company in Europe, is based at Windmill Hill in West Swindon. In line with the company's commitment to support local community projects the marketing department were looking for a worthy cause for their team away day.

A team of 20 worked on the conservation of Latton Lock, near Cirencester. During the afternoon staff got stuck into removing bricks and stone from around the lock, moving soil, clearing obstructions from the drainage ditch and cutting back trees.

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