

Title.	Distance	Place	OS Map
Chesterfield Canal Kiveton to Worksop	1–6 Mile 1–10 Km	Kiveton Worksop	OS 120 Mansfield & Worksop

The Chesterfield Canal once a working canal is widely recognised as one of the most beautiful and varied waterways in England and it runs for 46 miles from the River Trent to the middle of Chesterfield, linking Nottinghamshire, South Yorkshire and Derbyshire. The canal can be walked on the towpath known as The Cuckoo way and goes through tranquil countryside where scarcely a house can be seen.

It is hugely popular with walkers and has some of the best canal fishing in the country and ends up at what will be the £310 million waterside development in Chesterfield. The section near Turnerwood and Thorpe flights is one of the best stretches of canal anywhere in the UK.

The Chesterfield Canal Trust is currently running a campaign to achieve the opening of the full length of the canal.

This stretch of the Chesterfield Canal is described in various sections starting at Kiveton Railway Station then to Hawk Wood near Thorpe Salvin, Turnerwood, Shireoaks, Rhodesia and then finishing at Worksop

See the Canal stretch from Tapton Lock to Staveley

- **Facilities** – Some of the features at various places include: –

Kiveton – Railway Station – Public Inn - Notice Boards - Benches

From Thorpe Salvin at Thorpe are a set of 15 locks.

At Turnerwood are 7 locks and Turnerwood is a hamlet straddling a basin for mooring boats, there are only a few houses there and it is a picture postcard of a pretty English hamlet – there is also a place selling light refreshments in summer.

Netherthorpe Air Field for light aircraft is close by.

Shireoaks – Very pretty area – Marina full of narrow boats – Locks – Café.

Lockkeeper Inn’ – Large car park – Sainsbury’s shopping area close by.

Worksop – Bustling town with all facilities – Market day – Shopping areas – Railway Station.

You can park near Kiveton Railway Station – at Shireoaks and at the Shireoaks Marina – Near the Lockkeeper Inn close to Rhodesia and at Worksop near the canal. – There maybe other roads and lanes you can park on near the canal please look at your map.

- **Café** – At Kiveton railway station at the opposite side of the road is the Station Hotel, which does light refreshments and meals.

At Turnerwood is a small snack bar / drinks which is open in the summer months.

At Shireoaks is a small café, which sells refreshments,

Towards Worksop right on the side of the canal is the Lockkeeper Inn, which has a carvery and serves meals all day.

In Worksop are a Tourist Information Office, numerous cafes and public houses.



Lockkeeper Inn at the side of the canal

- **Toilets** - There are toilets at the various cafes and public houses near Kiveton, Shireoaks, Lockkeeper Inn and Worksop.

- **Path** – The majority of the towpath is a good surface for wheelchairs and made up of rolled-in crushed stone, there are a few odd slopes, hard grass/soil areas and cobbled brick areas, a pusher will be required for manual wheelchairs,

Note under some bridges the surface is sometimes a cobbled brick area and the archway of the bridge requires you to take care when travelling through.

Also in the winter months the paths can be muddy.

You can do sections of the walk from Kiveton to Shireoaks to The Lockkeeper Inn and to Worksop.



Canal Crushed Stone Towpath

See photo gallery

- **Information** – There is excellent information on the Chesterfield Canal website and at Worksop Tourist Information Office you can obtain a leaflet on the canal. Also you can look at various pictures on the google website.

Tel. No. – Worksop Tourist Information Office – 01909 501148

- **Website** – Chesterfield Canal
Chesterfield Canal - www.chesterfield-canal-trust.org.uk
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- **Directions** – Kiveton Park Station is close to the M1 J31 – take the A57 and then at South Anston take the B6059 to Kiveton and Kiveton Park Station is just before the village.
To get to Worksop take the A57 and the canal goes right through the centre of the town – see maps.
- **Places to visit nearby** – Worksop – Thorpe Salvin – Clumber Park – Major Oak
Edwinstowe – Rufford Park –



Kiveton Park Railway Station & Hotel



Narrow Boat



Turnerwood



Turnerwood



Shireoaks Marina

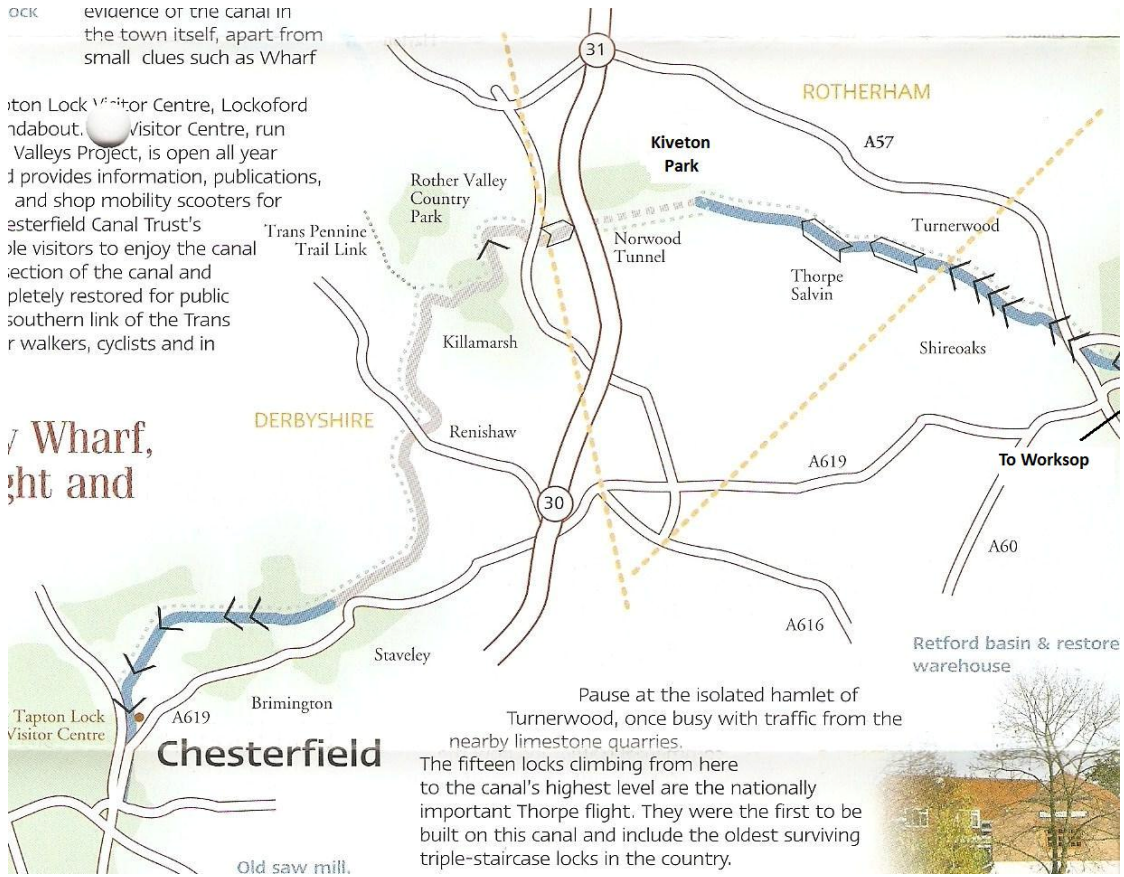


Worksop

lock evidence of the canal in the town itself, apart from small clues such as Wharf

Tapton Lock Visitor Centre, Lockford Road, about 1.5 miles from the town. The Visitor Centre, run by the Rother Valley Project, is open all year round. It provides information, publications, and shop mobility scooters for disabled visitors to enjoy the canal. The section of the canal and the area around it is completely restored for public use. It is a popular route for southern link of the Trans Pennine Trail walkers, cyclists and in

Wharf, Light and



Pause at the isolated hamlet of Turnerwood, once busy with traffic from the nearby limestone quarries. The fifteen locks climbing from here to the canal's highest level are the nationally important Thorpe flight. They were the first to be built on this canal and include the oldest surviving triple-staircase locks in the country.

Canal Route