

Bridgewater Canal Watch Minutes

AGM March 10th 2026

The AGM of the Bridgewater Canal Watch group took place at Lymm Cruising Club on Tuesday March 10th 2026. There were 14 members in attendance. One apology was received.

Minutes of the last meeting on December 9th 2025 were accepted as a true record.

There was one matter arising from these minutes regarding if Bridge Works Lloyd Bridge were still operating. Chairman will check for next meeting.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that it had has been quite due to time of year, except for confusion regarding a boat that was thought to have been sold but was later stated not to have been sold.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported that he was holding £479-36 in cash as was agreed at previous meeting due to difficulty in opening bank account.

Secretary's Report

The secretary reported on incidents she had been informed about since last meeting.

The body of a female was discovered in canal on December 10th 2025 near Atlantic Street Altrincham.

Photo's and info have been sent by a boater to BCC with regard to the damage and state of Agden Bridge after road closures and traffic being diverted to go over the bridge and alot of heavy vehicles were seen using it.

On Tuesday 17th February police were called to Lymm after reports of a drunken man approaching a group of 13year old girls in an inappropriate manner. Some youths witnessed this an chased the man back to his boat where he fell in canal.

Election of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary

As there were no nominations for the above positions the following agreed to continue in these positions.

Chairman Chris Wareing representing BCC

Treasurer Barry Greenough Lymm CC

Secretary Phyllis Greenough Lymm CC

All present agreed to these nominations.

Incidents/Reports since last meeting

Worsley Cruising Club reported it has been very quiet and no problems had been received. It was reported that the tank would be closed for maintenance to be completed. Also bridge repairs would be taking place at Boothstown Bridge.

Sale reported mink had been seen along their moorings.

Lymm reported that due to road closure on Warrington Lane lorries were having to turn around near the gate to their moorings just passed the Marina this has caused two big holes on their car park. Chairman will investigate this complaint.

BMBC reported over hanging trees causing boaters problems near Norton Priory. Chairman will check.

There were reports of bricks being stolen from bridges the Council, Police and BCC have all been sent letters regarding this issue.

There being no further buisness the meeting closed at 8-10pm.

Date of next meeting June 9th 2026 start time 7-30pm.