



**Canal &
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Staffordshire Moorlands District Council
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Your Ref SMD/2026/0144

Our Ref CRTR-PLAN-2026-46644

Tuesday 12 May 2026

Dear Lisa O'Brien,

Proposal: Application for Listed Building Consent to build buttress on the north side of the kilns. This side already has two existing buttresses but the stonework is bulging and requires further stabilising

Location: Flint Mill, Cheadle Road, Cheddleton

Waterway: Caldon Canal

Thank you for your consultation.

We are the charity who look after and bring to life 2000 miles of canals and rivers. Our waterways contribute to the health and wellbeing of local communities and economies, creating attractive and connected places to live, work, volunteer and spend leisure time. These historic, natural and cultural assets form part of the strategic and local green-blue infrastructure network, linking urban and rural communities as well as habitats. By caring for our waterways and promoting their use we believe we can improve the wellbeing of our nation. The Trust is a statutory consultee in the Development Management process.

Based on the information available our substantive response (as required by the Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended)) is the following advice:

The application site is located adjacent to the Caldon Canal. The canal is elevated on an embankment at this point and the wall to be stabilised sits alongside the embankment. It is unclear whether the wall has any role in providing support to the embankment and we recommend that the Applicant liaises with the Trust's Infrastructure Services Team and considers signing up to the Trust's Code of Practice for Works Affecting the Canal & River Trust as the most appropriate means of managing the works and ensuring that any potential risks to the stability of the embankment structure can be minimised.

Should listed building consent be granted, we request that the following **informative** is appended to the Decision Notice:

The Applicant is recommended to contact the Canal & River Trust's Infrastructure Services Team at enquiries.TPWNorth@canalrivertrust.org.uk to discuss the proposed works and to ensure that potential risks to the stability of the adjacent canal embankment can be appropriately managed and minimised. The Applicant is also recommended to consider signing up to the Trust's Code of Practice for Works Affecting the Canal & River Trust as the most appropriate means of managing potential risks to the adjacent canal infrastructure during the works. More information on the Code of Practice can be found on the Trust's website at <https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/business-and-trade/undertaking-works-on-our-property-and-our-code-of-practice>.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries you may have.

Yours sincerely,

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