

PRESS RELEASE

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Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge repairs deferred - Statement from the Canal & River Trust:

Following the recent announcement about the maintenance and repair works needed at Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge, which are required to address some immediate issues to make the bridge more reliable and resilient for the future, both the Canal & River Trust and Cheshire West & Chester Council have received extensive feedback. This raised concerns about the impact the scheduled closure of the bridge would have on the local community.

As a result of this feedback, the proposed works will be deferred while we review the programme of works and investigate potential measures to mitigate disruption and inconvenience. Delivering the works remains an urgent priority given the need to protect the long-term availability and operation of the bridge.

Further updates will be provided shortly, and there will be further consultation before any revised programme of works is confirmed.

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