

CROSSCUT

Development of the recreational waterway network



Project Partners

British Waterways

Torfaen County Borough Council

Devon County Borough Council



Crosscut was a project set up under the EU Interreg IIIB North West Europe programme. It brought together 8 partners from Belgium, Ireland, Netherlands and the United Kingdom to look at the strategic development of the recreational waterway network in North West Europe.

Within the project a number of actions were undertaken on both the Montgomery and Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal. On the Montgomery Canal, the project involved:

- Restoring over 1km of canal to navigation, together with the creation of associated off channel nature reserves:
- Working with local landowners and business to develop economic activity based on the canal.

On the Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal, actions included:

- The creation of an ecologically friendly canal basin at South Sebastopol near Cwmbran, in association with a new housing development
- Activity to involve local people and schools in understanding and caring for the canal within Torfaen
- Support for research into combating Japanese knotweed
- Volunteer exchanges between partners in Wales, Netherlands and Ireland

The total project budget was around £5 million, with around £1.5 million of that spend allocated to waterways in Wales, through work undertaken by British Waterways and Torfaen County Borough Council.

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Datblygu'r rhwydwaith dyfrffyrdd hamdden

**Partneriaid y Prosiect**

Ddyfrffyrdd Prydain

Chyngor Bwrdeistref

Sirol Torfaen

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Sirol Devon



Prosiect a sefydlwyd o dan raglen 'Interreg IIIB North West Europe' yr UE yw Crosscut. Daeth ag 8 partner o Wlad Belg, Iwerddon, yr Iseldiroedd a'r Deyrnas Unedig ynghyd i edrych ar ddatblygiad strategol y rhwydwaith dyfrffyrdd hamdden yng ngogledd-orllewin Ewrop.

Fel rhan o'r prosiect, cyflawnwyd rhywfaint o waith ar Gamlas Maldwyn a Chamlas Mynwy ac Aberhonddu. **Ar Gamlas Maldwyn**, cymerwyd y camau canlynol:

- Adfer dros gilomedr o'r gamlas fel bod modd ei mordwyo, a chreu gwarchodfeydd natur cysylltiedig oddi ar y sianel.
- Gweithio gyda thirfeddianwyr a busnesau lleol i ddatblygu gweithgareddau economaidd wedi'i seilio ar y gamlas.

Ar Gamlas Mynwy ac Aberhonddu, cymerwyd y camau canlynol:

- Creu basn sy'n ystyriol o'r ecoleg yn South Sebastopol ger Cwmbrân, yn gysylltiedig â datblygiad tai newydd.
- Gweithgarwch i annog pobl ac ysgolion lleol i ddeall a gofalu am y gamlas yn Nhor-faen.
- Cefnogi gwaith ymchwil i fynd i'r afael â chlymog Japan.
- Prosiectau cyfnewid gwirfoddolwyr rhwng partneriaid yng Nghymru, Iwerddon a'r Iseldiroedd.

Tua £5 miliwn oedd cyllideb y prosiect, gyda thua £1.5 miliwn o'r gwariant hwnnw'n cael ei ddyrannu i ddyfrffyrdd yng Nghymru, trwy waith a gyflawnwyd gan Ddyfrffyrdd Prydain a Chyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Torfaen.

Ddyfrffyrdd Prydain

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