

## Summer outing to the Wey and Arun Canal Sunday 12th July 2015

This year we took a barge trip on the Wey and Arun Canal in Loxwood near Billingshurst. 19 members attended along with 4 volunteers, 1 Community Transport driver and 2 members of staff.



We travelled to and from the canal by two minibuses, which we hired from Arun Community Transport. We set off at 10am and returned at 5pm. We had a fantastic day out, the weather was not brilliant but the barge was covered so we remained warm and dry. The objective for the day was firstly to give our members an enjoyable day out and to give their Carers some much-needed respite.



We boarded the barge at 11.30am and set off at 12noon for a 2.5 hour trip from the Onslow Arms in Loxwood to Drungewick slipway and back. We enjoyed a picnic lunch, drinks and biscuits on board. Most of our members rally enjoyed going through the Locks. On our return to Loxwood we spent some time in the Onslow Arms gardens for drinks and ice creams. We boarded the buses at 4pm and then made our way back home to Littlehampton and arrived back at 5pm.



All in all it was a good day out. Many thanks must go to all our fantastic volunteers and our volunteer mini bus driver Steven who generously gave their leisure time, and to all who, in some way or another, made a contribution to the day.



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