



The Worshipful Company of Water Conservators



THE WATER CONSERVATION TRUST

(Registered Charity No. 1007648)

SPONSORED WALK

RIVER CHESS – CHORLEYWOOD TO CHESHAM

Sunday 6th October 2019

Supporting our Schools Education Programme

To raise funds for our schools programme the Water Conservation Trust (the charity of the Worshipful Company of Water Conservators) is organising a sponsored walk for Sunday 6th October 2019 along the River Chess from Chorleywood to Chesham, in the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.



River Chess at Chesham

If you would like to support the walk and help raise money for the Water Conservation Trust please complete the slip below or e mail rob.casey@thameswater.co.uk to register for the event. The walk, around 7 miles in length, will take around 3 hours to complete, starting from the station car park at Chorleywood station, at 11.30am on Sunday 6th October 2019 and finishing at Chesham railway station. Walkers arriving by car can park at Chorleywood station and can then return to the station having completed the walk by train from Chesham station (both stations are on the Metropolitan Underground line). The walk route will follow the River Chess in the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty via footpaths which have public access. Walkers can either bring sandwiches or enjoy a late lunch at a PH alongside the River Chess at Chesham. Because the walk is alongside the river and involves crossing roads we recommend that any children walking should be at least 10 years old and always accompanied by an adult. As the route follows established footpaths normal walking shoes should suffice, however, walkers are advised to watch out for tree roots along some sections.

The Water Conservation Trust

The Water Conservation Trust is the Charity of the Worshipful Company of Water Conservators. All members of the Company are committed to supporting charity work. The Trust's main objectives are to further education and research in the water cycle, waste management and the environment, with a view to its conservation. Key activities include:-

- Supporting projects in schools and giving prizes to encourage science and environmental learning.
- Bursaries for Masters' students studying water and environment subjects at selected UK universities and Dissertation Prizes for the best Master's thesis on relevant subjects at each university.
- Awards to a range of organisations which have established links with the Company, for example, the cost of a berth on a training ship for the Maidstone Sea Cadets' Cadet of the Year.

The Trust relies on Company members' giving and fund-raising events, such as sponsored walks, to support the Schools Education Programme (see the **Charity Update** on the Company's website for details). By taking part in the walk, or sponsoring a walker, members can help expand the Trust's activities with schools. Over the last few years the Trust has worked with 12 schools and recent projects have included:-

- The installation of a natural pond and aquarium at Ruislip School to encourage science and environmental learning.
- Support to Ysgol-y-Gogarth, a day and residential special school to develop education and training facilities, and to trial community programmes which allow students, under supervision, to carry out paid gardening work in the community.
- The installation of a safety grid to save a pond at Hillside School Orpington for science studies.
- The installation of a water butt to collect rainwater and a natural pond, plus the purchase of microscopes, at Lent Rise Primary School, Burnham.
- At Hugh Myddelton School projects have included the successful makeover of the wildlife area, a safety grid for a pond inside the school building, a weather station to support the STEM Club and furniture plus lab coats for a new STEAM classroom at the school.
- The Trust has also awarded pupil prizes to a number of schools for projects associated with science and environmental learning

To participate in the Sponsored Walk please post this slip or email rob.casey@thameswater.co.uk to return no later than Friday 27th September 2019

I would like to participate in the 2019 Sponsored Walk and bring guests

Name

Address.....

E mail.....

Name(s) of guest(s)

First Name.....Surname.....

First Name.....Surname.....

Please return by post to Rob Casey, 46 Chalklands, Bourne End, Bucks. SL8 5TJ
or email rob.casey@thameswater.co.uk

Confirmation will be by email sent to your email address or by post.

If you can't join the walk you can sponsor us using the following link to our Virgin Money Giving page

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/RobCasey1>

Click on donation and search on Rob Casey to ensure the donation goes via my page. For money raised via my page we will apply to Thames Water's Charity Committee for matched funding. We also receive joint funding on many of our projects. Hence your contribution can make a real difference.

Alternatively send a cheque made out to the Water Conservation Trust to our Treasurer Peter Hall at the following address

6 Bluebell Drive, Burghfield Common, Reading, Berkshire, RG7 3EF