

The Selsey Tram Way

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Exhibition at The Novium



The exhibition on The Selsey
Tramway is now open to the public
at The Novium in Chichester and
will be available until March 2026.

The Novium is open Tuesday-Friday 10.00am until 4.30pm and Saturday 10.00am until 5.00pm. Admission is free, with donations accepted.

Millstream Productions
(Emswworth) have made a film as part of the exhibition, which includes the Selsey Shantymen singing the Sidlesham Snail. The Colonel Stephens Museum at Tenterden have loaned some artefacts, including a model of the locomotive Selsey. Other artefacts have been loaned by Alan Green (Chichester History Society)

Copies of the walking guide are available at The Novium and on the website. There is also an interactive version which can also be accessed via the website:

www.mwhg.org.uk/tramway

BBC Sounds

David and I recorded a podcast on the Selsey Tramway with BBC Radio Sussex at the beginning of June. The recording will be available on BBC Sounds, Secret Sussex, along with recording about Selsey's Blue Plaques, Sidlesham Land Settlement and the Mulberry Harbour at Selsey.

Anniversary Walk

The annual anniversary Tramway Walk will take place on Saturday 24th August starting at 10.00am from East Beach car park in Selsey. The route will pass the site of 8 of the

11 stations on the route of the tramway and end at The Anchor Inn in Sidlesham, a total of 6 miles. The walk is free. Please let me know if you would like to join us: **Billm89@hotmail.com**

Chalder Station



Thanks to the help of volunteers via this Tramway Bulletin and from the Manhood Wildlife and Heritage Group the platform at Chalder Station is now much more visible.

Although the land on which the station stands is part of Chalder Farm it is actually owned by the Church Commissioners and we need their permission before we can proceed with our plans to restore the station and re-instate the track. We met with the local representative of the Church Commissioners back in March and await a decision.

We have also met with representatives of Trackwork, the company that provides the infrastructure to the national rail network. They have offered to supply us with materials, including a length of track, and Govia Thameslink will help with staff to carry out the work.

So a fantastic offer, but everything is dependent on permissions, first by the Church Commissioners and then Chichester District Council. watch this space.

Thank you for your continued interest & support.

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