

**Work at the Rewley Road Swing Bridge revealed just in time for Oxford Open Doors.**

It has been a busy few weeks as with the repair work and cleaning of the bridge deck completed the painting could begin. This is a hands-on job as over 80% of the painting had to be done with brush in hand with thanks to Stephan and his team. And with amazing timing, the paint has dried just in time for the dismantling of the white tent and scaffolding which has shrouded the structure from the public gaze since the beginning of the year prior to the Oxford Open Doors weekend 11/12 September.



Don't miss the chance to get your first glimpse of the stunning workmanship, together with some sense of just how much we have achieved so far with the restoration. Thanks to Tom Hassall and David Mather who will be on hand to share some of their knowledge of the Swing Bridge and Oxford's railway heritage past Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm. And whilst on site, don't forget to look out for the Railway Heritage Trust Plaque which was recently unveiled by Chairman of Network Rail Sir Peter Hendy, and RHT Chair Jim Cornell.

Why not follow one of our downloadable self-guided Heritage Green Walks which will take you down to the site, pointing out some of the interesting things to see along the way. To download Hidden Heritage: Walk 1 – Jericho or Hidden Heritage: Walk 4 – Oxford Waterways, visit our website:  
<https://www.oxfordpreservation.org.uk/content/hidden-heritage-walks>

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We hope you will want to be part of the Rewley Road Swing Bridge story by joining OPT or making a donation.

***Best wishes from the OPT Team.***