

Dear Sirs:

**RE: ISSUES TRENT-SEVERN WATERWAY**

I am a resident and tax payer living on a lagoon off the main channel of the Trent at Bolsover. Over the 40 plus years of living here, it is most certainly a sad sight to go down to my dock and see what has happened these past 10 years. To look at the algae being held by the weed growth, not to mention the garbage and dead fish that get caught up in this weed growth.

As a tax payer of approximately \$2,300 per year I can hardly call it “WATERFRONT PROPERTY”. For a period of approximately 10-15 years, my husband and I looked after getting signatures, water depth and then statistics in order to get a permit to obtain the chemical “REGALONE A” which was very effective, did not harm fish and allowed us to swim (RECREATIONAL) until well into September. We eventually turned this job over to someone else who continued until the “RED TAPE” really got “RED”. A fee of \$53 per tax payer/land owner, copy of their deed and a survey. Now don't you think that is going a little far, not to mention invasion of privacy. After all this, we just gave up and continued to look at the mess at our front docks.

The “Panel” is looking for input and this, as an individual who has seen the deterioration of our waterway, is my submission.

The bottom line being – make it easier to obtain the necessary permit without all the red tape, at least have a cleaner environment (there is that most important word) and something nicer to look at.

Respectfully submitted,  
Yours truly,

Eileen Mennell