



2025/26 Middle Level Navigation: Income and expenditure

Section 1: Income		
Middle Level Registration Fees	£193,392	
Anglian Pass	£9,211	
EA Payment for CRT Gold Holders based on ML	£7,600	<i>The commitment within the passage of the Middle Level Act (2018) was to allocate 25% of annual gross income on provision of facilities on the link route between Stanground and Salters Lode locks until the IWA recommendations for facilities provision has been achieved</i>
Visitor Licences	£4,808	
Sale of Lock Handles & Keys	£1,452	
Other Income	£0	
TOTAL INCOME	£216,462	
25% of registration income for Link Route Facilities	£53,753	

Section 2: Expenditure - Running costs		
Staff costs & overheads for dedicated Navigation staff	£69,923	<i>Includes direct admin costs</i>
Navigation administration	£27,174	<i>Indirect staff time. To date a simple approach has been taken. Improved definition is planned.</i>
Additional enforcement costs	£0	<i>EG External solicitors fees</i>
Boat removal	£0	
Professional fees	£0	
Customer engagement, promotion & marketing	£0	
Public safety assessments and measures	£0	<i>Not an annual cost</i>
New/replacement plant & equipment	£0	
Operation & maintenance of locks	£95,288	<i>Includes Lock-keepers</i>
Maintenance of channels for navigation	£212,591	<i>Includes vegetation management</i>
TOTAL	£404,976	

Income as a percentage of running costs	53 %
Income less link route commitment as a % of running costs	40 %

Section 3: Expenditure - Navigation improvements		
Structures	£31,800	
Watercourses	£0	
TOTAL	£31,800	
Facilities (to meet IWA standards)		<i>Salters Lode water point</i>

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£436,776	
Income as a percentage of all costs	50 %	
Income less link route commitment as a % of all costs	37 %	

Contribution from Middle Level Commissioners	£274,067	<i>From agricultural ratepayers and special levies from District Councils</i>
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Section 4: Middle Level Act - Link Route Facilities Commitment		
Income from 2025/26	£53,753	
Balance from previous years	£166,978	
Accrued interest in year	£2,459	
Expenditure in 2025/26	£6,667	
Available for allocation in future years	£216,522	

Paddling - Ringfenced Income		
Paddle UK Income 2025/26	£2,469	<i>2025/26 was Year 3 of an initial 3 year agreement with British Canoeing (now Paddle UK). We have agreed to ringfence the fee an invest in improved portage within our system. A grant from the Canoe Foundation has also been awarded for 50% of the costs of portage at Stanground Lock. The grant income will feature in 2025/26 accounts.</i>
Balance from previous years	£2,727	
Accrued interest in year	£40	
<i>Canoe Foundation Grant</i>		
Expenditure in 2025/26	£0	
Available for allocation in future years	£5,236	