

### Zone 5: Gallows Bridge

Gallows Bridge is one of six bridges over the Leeds and Liverpool Canal within Skipton town centre. It is located on a key walking route between the bus and railway stations and also provides a direct connection between two supermarkets, Cavendish Street Car Park and the town centre.

Owned and maintained by the Canal & River Trust, the main structure is a mixture of old and new sandstone having been altered numerous times during its lifetime.

Images found in the Craven Museum & Gallery show the bridge having once had a wooden deck parapet and wooden handrails to the south western stepped access (Gas Street).

There are a number of issues with the current structure which we would like to try and address. We have investigated the feasibility of replacing the bridge with a fully accessible structure however this is not practicable within the scope of the project. We are aiming to deal with the following key issues:

#### <u>Issues</u>

- The steps vary in riser height
- The steps are not highlighted with contrasting colours
- The appearance of the bridge has become tired

Although the bridge is generally regarded as a positive visual feature a new bridge may offer the opportunity to further enhance the look and feel of the area.

In order to inform the detailed design of the bridge we are asking for feedback on the 3 styles of bridge presented here.

# Zone 5 Option 1 : Like for like

### **Cambered Beam**





**V** Different style of parapet

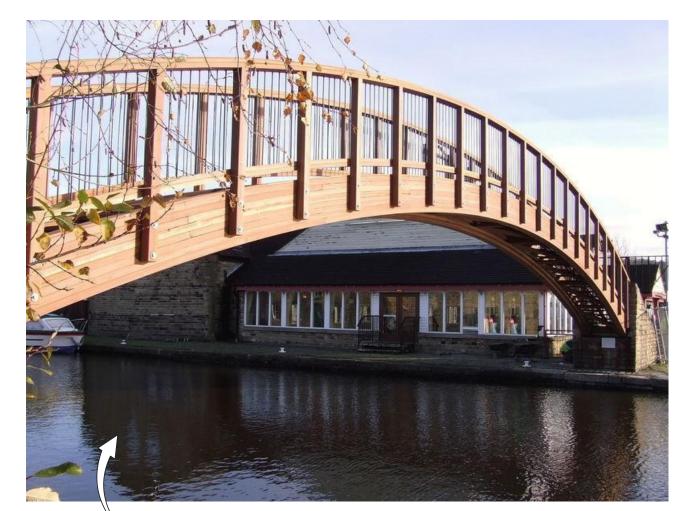
## Zone 5 Option 2: More Contemporary



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Statement structure with customisable design/graphic)

# Zone 5 Option 3: Contemporary yet traditional



Steeper arch with stepped crossing



Shallow arch with graded crossing



**Butterfly arch**