



We designed and manufactured a new rowing pontoon for Marlow Rowing Club significantly upgrading the club's boat launching area and improving access for the club's busy rowing programme and increasing space for disabled rowers.

Completely rebuilding the waterfrontage of the historic club on the River Thames, the project included removing the old riverside quay and replacing it with a reprofiled and aligned hard standing and quay wall, creating a single level, smooth edge.

Working closely with P&D environmental to facilitate this and ensure integration of the appropriate mooring system, we then connected a 40m x 4m low freeboard (150mm) modular rowing pontoon. The new pontoon was specifically designed to accommodate a rowing eight alongside with oars partially deployed while still allowing space for wheelchairs to pass along the length of the pontoon for boat access.

Designed with special adaptations to decouple the joints, the individual modules of the pontoon have towing cleats positioned to enable the sections to be detached and transported to other parts of the river to form separate landing stages during major competitions.

Topped with ICMS' GRP mini mesh decking and reducing the gap between the quay wall and the pontoon, Marlow Rowing Club's members now have a more stable and non-slip platform with wheelchair access for launching their boats for both competitive and recreational rowing.

Client | **Marlow Rowing Club**

Date | **June 2022**

Where | **River Thames Marlow**

“Working with Inland and Coastal and P&D has been a very positive experience; the collaboration has produced the best value solution for the club and its members. The carefully designed modular nature of the new pontoon with improved accessibility makes it easier for us to operate, and also makes us more attractive as a host for external events, bringing revenue to the club.”

David Plaskitt, Marlow Rowing Club