

**Key Vocabulary**

<b>significant</b>	great or important and worthy of attention
<b>memory</b>	something remembered from the past
<b>change</b>	when something is made, or becomes, different or altered
<b>locality</b>	an area or neighbourhood near to where you are
<b>influence</b>	the ability to change or affect something
<b>contribute</b>	to give something (especially money) in order to help achieve or provide something
<b>commemorate</b>	remember and show respect for someone or something
<b>canal</b>	a man-made waterway for boats and ships to sail inland on
<b>engineer</b>	a person who designs, builds, or maintains engines, machines, or structures
<b>woodland</b>	land covered with trees

**Key Knowledge**

Thomas Telford was an engineer from Scotland, whose work was important to the growth and popularity of Ellesmere Port and Chester. There is even a restaurant in Chester named after him called 'Telford's Warehouse'.

William Jessop was an engineer from England. He helped Thomas Telford to design and oversee the building of the Ellesmere Canal.

Thomas Telford and William Jessop started to build the Ellesmere Canal in the 1790s.

The Ellesmere Canal was never finished as it had been planned to. It was supposed to go all the way to the River Severn, but it became too expensive to finish.

The section of canal near Ellesmere Port is now a part of the Shropshire Union Canal.

Canals were built as a means of transporting goods from one place to another, before the invention of cars, lorries and other fast vehicles.

Chester and Ellesmere Port have both grown in size as more businesses, factories, shops and families have come to the area.

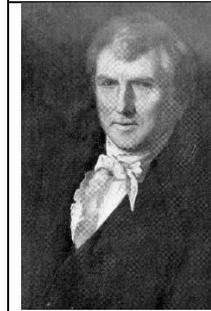
Stanney Woods and Delamere Forest are both local woodlands - we will also find out a little about these whilst we are learning about our local area.

**Key people**



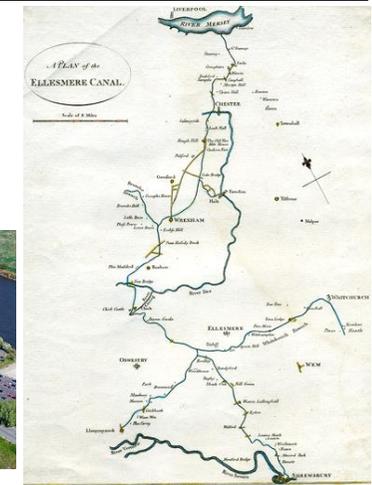
**Thomas Telford**

Thomas Telford was a Scottish engineer who built many roads and canals around the UK, including the Ellesmere Canal in Ellesmere Port, linking it to Chester.



**William Jessop**

William Jessop was another engineer, this time from England. He worked on different canals, harbours and railways, and worked with Thomas Telford to create the Ellesmere Canal.



**Ellesmere Port Timeline**

<b>1793</b> William Jessop and Thomas Telford are given permission by parliament to start building the Ellesmere Canal.	<b>1800s</b> Ellesmere Port began to grow in size, and was recognised as being its own parish (rather than lots of little villages) in 1866.	<b>1863</b> Ellesmere Port station is built as part of the train line between Hooton and Helsby.	<b>1920s</b> The Stanlow Oil Refinery is built, bringing lots of jobs and people into Ellesmere Port.	<b>1980s</b> The Port Arcades shopping centre is built, bringing businesses, jobs and people to the town.	<b>1990s</b> Cheshire Oaks Designer Outlet is built, making the town a popular place for people to visit.
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