The Shannon Blueway offers a myriad of paddling journeys to experience, set in idyllic locations, with everything from secluded canal sections to vast open lakes. The network of Blueway trails in this North Shannon area centres around Carrick-on-Shannon, spanning north towards Lough Allen, west to Boyle, south to Lanesborough, and east as far as Belturbet. Visit www.bluewaysireland.org for details of all trails in this area.

The Blueway from Drumshanbo to Carrick-on-Shannon offers 16.5km of paddling options in total. Within that 16.5km, two ‘journeys’ are described, guiding the user between access points along the route. Choose your journey according to the level of experience of your paddling group.

**In the unlikely event of an emergency dial 999 or 112 to contact emergency services. Use VHF channel 16 to contact the coast guard.**

We welcome feedback about your paddling experience. Please contact us at info@bluewaysireland.org

For further information please contact Waterways Ireland at either: Northern Regional Office, Carrick-on-Shannon +353 (0)71 965 0562 or Drumshanbo Lock +353 (0)86 812 7522

**Users of this trail do so at their own judgement and risk.**
Drumshanbo to Carrick-on-Shannon

Drumshanbo to Battlebridge

Access and car park south of Drumshanbo Lock.
**Distance**
6km

**Duration**
Slow: 2.5 hours
Fast: 1 hour

**Description**
Canal with cruiser navigation, Grade 1 - flat water, Acres Lake is exposed to wind.

Acres Lake

Additional access point on the Drumshanbo to Battlebridge journey. Access at the jetty.

Drumleague Lock

Additional access point on the Drumshanbo to Battlebridge journey. Access at canoe slip.

Battlebridge Lock to Carrick-on-Shannon

Car park adjacent to lock.
**Distance**
10.5km (including returning spur into Leitrim)

**Duration**
Slow: 3 hours
Fast: 1.5 hours

**Description**
River with cruiser navigation, Grade 1 moving water downstream from Battlebridge Lock, potentially Grade 2 in flood water.

Leitrim Village

Additional access point on the Battlebridge to Carrick-on-Shannon journey. Access at Leitrim Village Service Block.