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Birmingham has three rivers: most people could tell you where the Cole and the Rea are but not the Tame, which in terms of size is our major waterway and a natural edge with few crossing points. The Tame disappeared under the M6 in the late 1960s. It is of course still there, but almost impossible to access and is not visible on Google Earth.

Not much crosses the Tame but things follow it such as the aforementioned M6 and the A47 Heartlands Parkway that cuts through Birmingham's industrial past and present, but with a huge retail park in the centre of the route.

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