

NAVIGATION ADVISORY NOTICE



DENVER COMPLEX PUBLIC CAR PARK AND RELIEF CHANNEL

DATE: 3 July 2020 – until rescinded

LOCATION: Denver Complex public car park and Relief Channel 48 hour visitor moorings at Stowbridge and Magdalen

DETAILS:



Due to large gatherings, misuse and abuse of Denver public car park and facilities, and the 48 hour visitor moorings at Stowbridge and Magdalen on the Relief Channel, we have had to take the unfortunate decision to close these sites to the wider public until further notice as an additional safety measure.

The associated anti-social behaviour; with some instances of criminal damage and other illegal activities, is impacting on local on-site staff and residents and could have serious implications on the grounds of safety, with lives being put at risk as a result.

These sites have now been closed to the wider general public and fenced off. Please note that boating customers who are registered and hold a navigation key can still access the site, but please unlock and then re-lock the navigation padlock on the main access gates to these sites as soon as you have passed through. Please do this even whilst your vehicle is within the car park at Denver or you are using the Relief Channel moorings, and do the same again upon exiting the sites to prevent unauthorised access.

Please note that at Denver that there are two padlocks on the chain around the gate; a combination lock and a navigation padlock. The combination lock is for the use of the Rowing Club so you will need to use your rounded Abloy navigation key in the key operated navigation padlock. Navigation keys are available to purchase at Denver during lock operation times from the lock office for any river user who holds a current valid registration. Should anyone need a navigation key, you may be asked to provide proof of your registration at the time of purchase and we are currently only accepting contactless cashless payments so you will require a payment credit / debit card.

We don't like being put in the position to have to temporarily close facilities, but the health, safety and wellbeing of the public, our customers and staff is our top priority and we will make these decisions if needed and if safety is compromised.

Your understanding and support in this matter is appreciated, as is respect and kindness for our local staff based in the field and on the ground at these sites, thank you.

For further information, please contact the Environment Agency on 03708 506 506 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday and ask for the Great Ouse Waterways team.