

# NAVIGATION EMERGENCY RESTRICTION NOTICE



## RIVER GREAT OUSE

**DATE: 19 August 2022 – Until Rescinded**

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**LOCATION: Brandon Lock, Little Ouse River**

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### DETAILS:

Due to the lack of rainfall and the exceptionally dry weather conditions, we are experiencing lower flows and river levels at Brandon Lock also compounded by shoaling in this area on the Little Ouse River.

We are advising larger craft with deeper drafts (above 1'6") to avoid navigating through or approaching the above lock due to an increased chance of grounding or contacting the riverbed and becoming stranded. Instead, for larger deeper drafted boats we recommend proceeding no further upstream than the Hockwold Cut Off Channel interception sluices at present, please use the upstream pools and junction at these sluices in which to turn longer craft around in.

Please take notice of any warning signage displayed and channel markers where present. Shallower areas of the river and under water obstructions may become more prevalent whilst water levels are low.

This notice is effective until further notice and will remain in place whilst we continue to experience these current dry conditions. When levels have recovered a further update will be issued to rescind this notice.

In case of an incident please contact 03708 506 506 during office hours or 0800 80 70 60 at all other times.

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**20 August 2022**

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