

## NAVIGATION RESTRICTION NOTICE

### RIVER GREAT OUSE

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**DATE:** 06 May 2025 – 16 May 2025

**LOCATION:** River Great Ouse near to Black Cat Roundabout

#### DETAILS:

**Issue:** Reduced channel width.

**Impact on navigation restriction in obstruction area:** 50% whilst work is in progress.

**Report:** National Highways will be conducting scour protection works to prevent the soil and rock from eroding around the viaduct. Please see below information for full details.

**Action:** Please take care in the vicinity of the work site and follow any instructions given by the workforce to ensure everybody's safety.

Please see our website [www.visitanglianwaterways.org](http://www.visitanglianwaterways.org) for the latest updates.

For further information, please contact the Environment Agency on 03708 506506 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday and ask for the Great Ouse Waterways team.

**Katherine Briscoombe**  
**Waterways Manager**  
**23 April 2025**

*Anglian Waterways does not provide rescue services. If the matter pertains to lock operation, obstructions in channel, safety issues or speeding please contact us first. In the event of an emergency or distress please contact the emergency services in the first instance. Call 999 and advise what the emergency is.*



## WORKS NOTIFICATION

April 2025 | [Nationalhighways.co.uk](https://www.nationalhighways.co.uk)

Our ref: A428-RGOViaduct-140425

A428 Black Cat to Caxton  
Gibbet improvement scheme

### Construction Update

River Great Ouse, near to Black Cat roundabout

Tuesday 6 May to Friday 16 May 2025

#### What is happening?

We are writing to let you know of upcoming scour protection works on the River Great Ouse from **Tuesday 6 May to Friday 16 May 2025**. Scour protection is where works are undertaken to prevent the soil and rock from eroding around the viaduct.

#### How will this affect me?

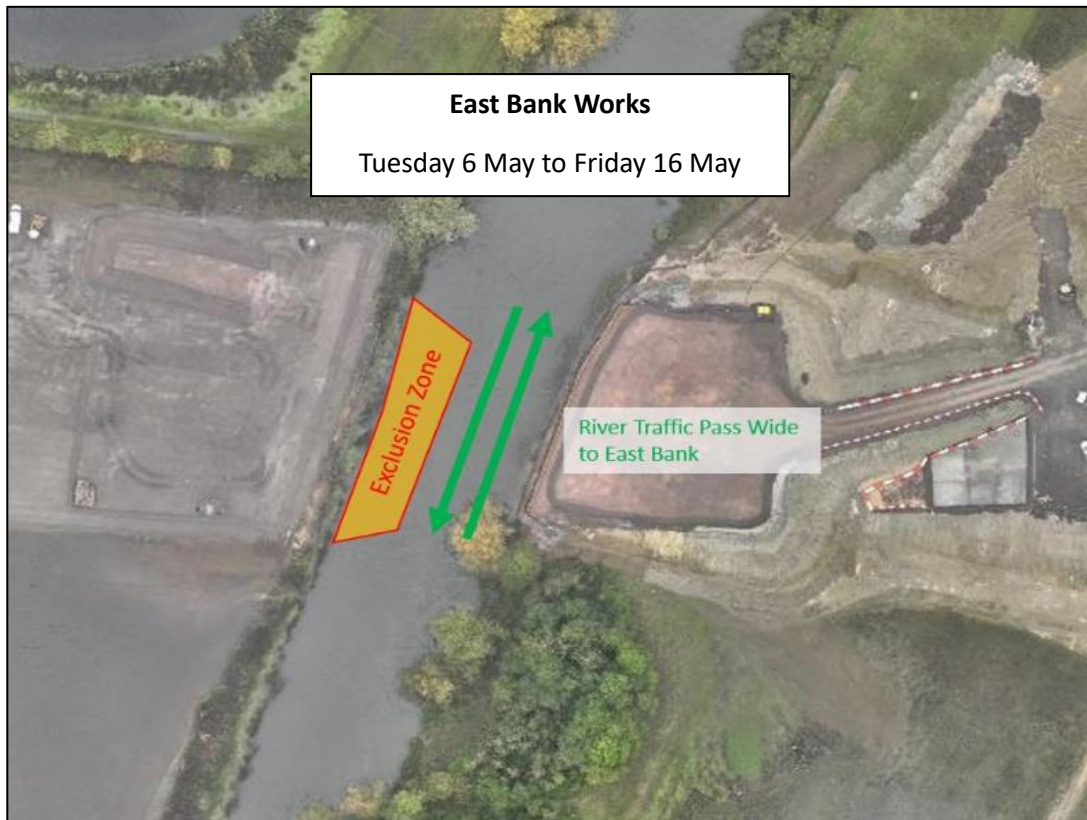
While these works are taking place, we will restrict access to approximately 50% of the river. Signage will be installed 100 metres either side of the work area highlighting which side for the river traffic to pass. Marker buoys will be in place in the channel demarcating the exclusion zone, inside of which will have a demarcated silt curtain.

This activity at times may be noisy, and we would like to apologise in advance for any disturbance caused. We will do our best to complete these works as quickly as possible, however all dates are subject to change due to weather, operational requirements and river flows.

**Under no circumstance is the construction area to be entered**, please follow all advice given by the construction team to ensure everyone's safety.



## Location of works



## What is proposed for the River Great Ouse?

Our plans are to upgrade the route between the Black Cat roundabout and Caxton Gibbet. A new viaduct will carry the new 10-mile dual carriageway over the River Great Ouse.

The impressive structure will play a key role in ensuring safe and uninterrupted travel over one of the region's key waterways, significantly enhancing your journey experience.

The viaduct is one of the schemes structures that will be built away from the existing road network, but we'll be keeping you up to date with construction progress. Drivers will experience travelling across the new viaduct once the dual carriageway opens to traffic in spring 2027.

For more information, head to <https://nationalhighways.co.uk/our-roads/a428-black-cat-to-caxton-gibbet/about-the-scheme/>

## Keeping you updated

If you'd like more information about this work, then please feel free to contact us by calling the 24/7 National Highways Customer Contact Centre on 0300 123 5000.

Alternatively, you can email us email on [info@a428.co.uk](mailto:info@a428.co.uk) or visit our website at [www.nationalhighways.co.uk/a428](http://www.nationalhighways.co.uk/a428) where you can sign up for future works information.

