

# NAVIGATION ADVISORY NOTICE

**ALL EA ANGLIAN WATERWAYS**Date of Issue: 17 August 2026  
Ref: AUG 26 WC**DATE:** 17 August 2026 until further notice**LOCATION:** River Great Ouse and Tributaries, River Stour, River Nene, River Welland, River Glen, River Ancholme

## Temporary Reduction of Weed Cutting Operations

Due to the current prolonged dry weather, water levels across our waterways remain significantly below normal. These conditions are also contributing to reduced dissolved oxygen levels in some watercourses, placing additional stress on aquatic life and increasing the risk of environmental harm.

To help protect water resources and minimise environmental impacts, we have taken the decision to temporarily reduce or suspend weed cutting operations in certain areas. Undertaking these works under current conditions could further affect water levels and water quality.

We will continue to monitor conditions closely and resume normal maintenance activities as soon as it is safe and appropriate to do so.

Thank you for your understanding and support during this period.

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

**We do not tolerate harassment or abuse towards our staff or contractors at any time.**

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

**Katherine Briscoombe**  
Waterways Manager

*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.*

**Customer Service Line**

03708 506 506

[www.environment-agency.gov.uk](http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk)**Incident Hotline**

0800 80 70 60

[www.visitanglianwaterways.org](http://www.visitanglianwaterways.org)**Floodline**

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