

A photograph of a grey heron standing on a dark, textured buoy in a marina. The heron is facing left, with its long neck extended. The buoy is attached to a boat with a yellow and red hull. The water is calm, reflecting the boat and the heron. The background shows another boat with a green hull.

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## INLAND YEARBOOK 2021

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### OUR VISION

To be recognised as the best marina company in the UK, providing a great customer experience with a broad range of quality services.

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*Big enough to cope, small enough to care.*

The Castle Marinas tag line remains unchanged and is still just as relevant today.

We are a customer focused company, committed to going the extra mile to provide convenient, personal and efficient services to all of our customers. We own 11 excellent marinas, in superb locations, offering competitive rates. We believe in developing strong relationships with our customers and strive for complete customer confidence and satisfaction in every service we provide. If we ever fall short of these exacting standards, we listen and learn to help us improve.

### OUR GOALS

- To be a market leader in our field
- Create and promote a breadth of boating that continually meets the interests of berth holders
- Provide a friendly, inclusive and inviting environment
- Ensure quality facilities and services
- Provide a first rate customer service experience
- Ensure a financially sound operation, so you know your boat is safe with us
- Grow our business to improve our customer offer
- Be a good, responsible neighbour and safe custodian.

## WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR IN A MARINA?

**Castle Marinas Ltd owns and operates nine marinas on the UK's inland waterways, the latest additions being Brinklow, Trinity, Crick and Cropredy Marinas. In addition we have two coastal marinas in Chichester and Portsmouth harbours. Now we have 11 marinas in total, offering 2,600 premium moorings to boating customers.**

Each of our marinas is unique and offers individual benefits. From city centre mooring in Nottingham, to the stunning countryside retreats of Cropredy in Oxfordshire, Crick in Northamptonshire, Ventnor and Wigrams in Warwickshire, Kings Bromley in Staffordshire and the leafy riverside location of Buckden in Cambridgeshire.

Each site caters for differing boating needs, encompassing narrowboats, wide beam, share boats, hire boats and river cruisers. Between them, the marinas offer cruising in every direction giving you the opportunity to explore Britain's waterways at your leisure.

We are always looking for new marinas that fit our ethos, and in December 2020 we also bought Brinklow Marina on the Oxford Canal. We're

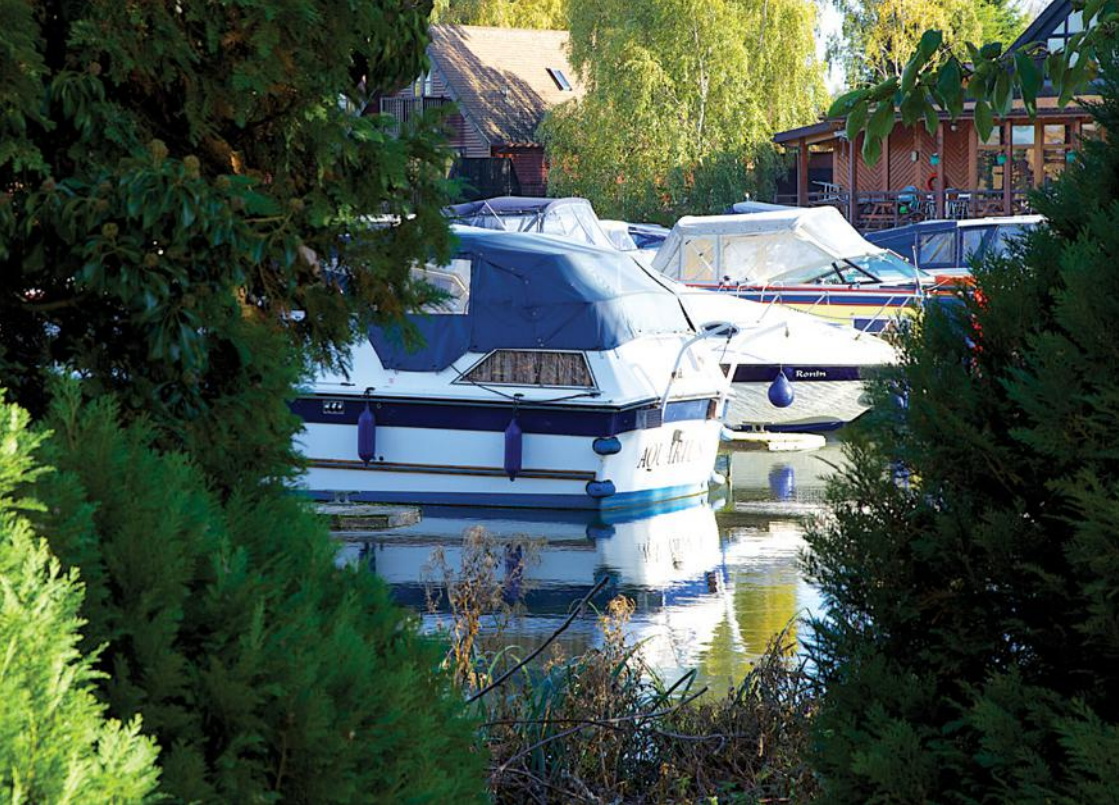
looking forward to introducing our latest addition to our moorers once we've brought it up to the Castle standard in early 2021.

We are also upgrading our facilities across the group, most notably at Crick, and building new workshops to offer additional services.

We would like to thank our berth holders for their patience whilst all the works were being carried out and hope they will now benefit from these improvements.

Castle Marinas are working on future improvement plans across all sites, so check in at [castlemarinas.co.uk](http://castlemarinas.co.uk), follow us on Instagram and Facebook, or look out for our newsletters to be the first to know.





## **'FLEXIBERTHING' IS STANDARD IN YOUR BERTHING PACKAGE**

We offer a flexible berthing scheme to our annual berth holders. Participants are able to visit any of the inland marinas in our group at no extra cost (T&Cs apply).

This provides berth holders the opportunity to explore a wide expanse of the UK's waterways, without incurring the expense of extra visitor mooring costs. It also ensures a Castle Marinas welcome on arrival!!

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## **THE PERSONAL TOUCH**

We understand your need for safe, secure berthing, first class facilities and great value, but we also pride ourselves on our brilliant staff, who add further value by going that extra mile.

All knowledgeable and passionate about their marinas, they are there exclusively for your benefit and to help you get the most enjoyment from your boating.

## **HOW CAN OUR 2021 YEARBOOK HELP YOU?**

Whether you are a visitor or annual berth holder, this guide is a useful compilation of marina layouts, information, facilities and suppliers at each of our sites.

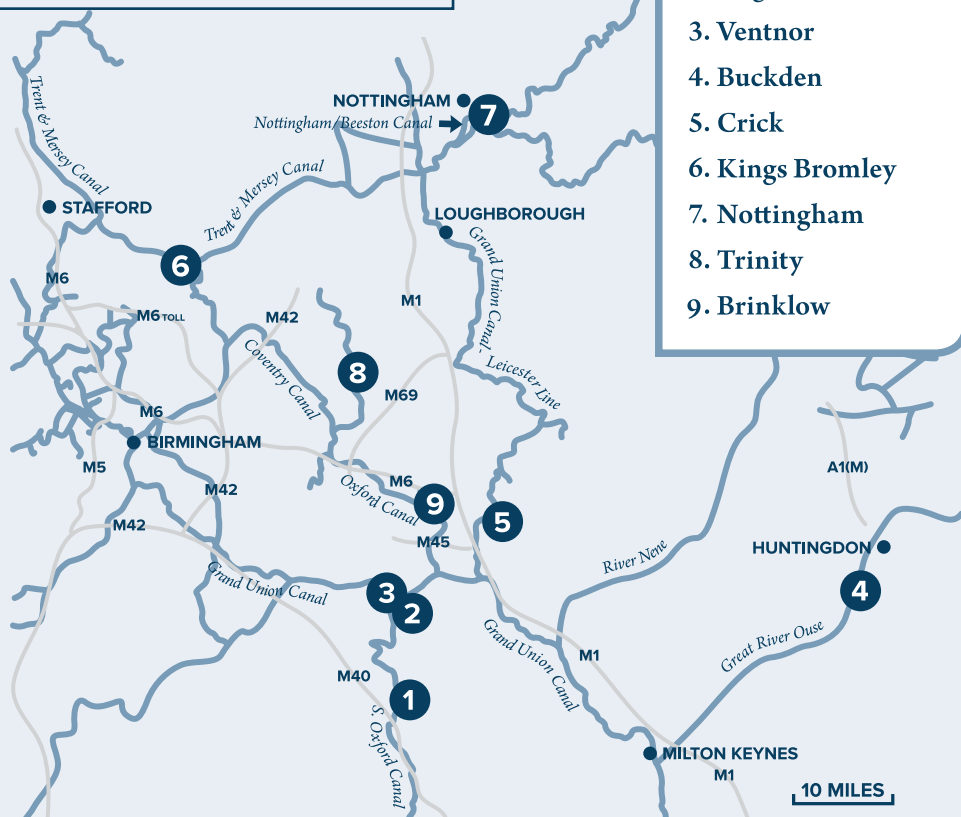
However, if you would like to see something else included in our yearbook, please let us know for next year.

We hope you enjoy mooring with Castle Marinas and look forward to being of service to you and your boat in 2021.

We look after you in all phases of your boating life. From buying your first boat and looking after it, to providing luxury floating 'villas' within our marinas (read about sales on p9 and services on p26).

We benefit from group standards, the shared knowledge from our nine inland and two further coastal marinas and also from the understanding of the need for a personal touch.

## MARINA LOCATIONS



1. Cropredy
2. Wigrams Turn
3. Ventnor
4. Buckden
5. Crick
6. Kings Bromley
7. Nottingham
8. Trinity
9. Brinklow

**Cropredy Marina (p29)**  
 01295 758911  
[info@cropredymarina.com](mailto:info@cropredymarina.com)

**Wigrams Turn Marina (p11)**  
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[info@wigramsturnmarina.co.uk](mailto:info@wigramsturnmarina.co.uk)

**Ventnor Marina (p19)**  
 01926 815023  
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**Buckden Marina (p37)**  
 01480 812660  
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**Crick Marina (p23)**  
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[info@crickmarina.com](mailto:info@crickmarina.com)

**Kings Bromley Marina (p33)**  
 01543 417209  
[info@kingsbromleymarina.co.uk](mailto:info@kingsbromleymarina.co.uk)

**Nottingham Castle Marina (p41)**  
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[info@nottinghamcastlemarina.co.uk](mailto:info@nottinghamcastlemarina.co.uk)

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[info@trinitymarina.co.uk](mailto:info@trinitymarina.co.uk)

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# BERTHING WITH CASTLE MARINAS

## REASONS TO BECOME AN ANNUAL BERTH HOLDER

### VALUE FOR MONEY BERTHING

We regularly monitor our prices to ensure you are receiving the best value possible.

### FLEXIBERTHING

If you fancy a change of scenery or heading out for a cruise, you can visit any sister marina at no extra cost (T&Cs apply).

### ANNUAL MOORERS EVENTS

Check out our Facebook pages for more details of our upcoming events.

### REGULAR NEWSLETTERS AND SURVEYS

Good communication with our berth holders ensures they are aware of important news and that they can give us feedback on how we are doing.

### FUEL DISCOUNTS

Ask at your marina office for details.

### MOORERS LOUNGES

All of our marinas have comfortable lounges.

### WHY CASTLE?

### OUTSTANDING SERVICE

Our staff are not only professional and knowledgeable, but passionate about their marinas. Being boat users themselves, they understand your boats need for TLC and will look after it as if it were their own.

### EXPERIENCE COUNTS

Our experience from operating 9 inland and 2 coastal sites has given us group-wide standards and reinforces our belief in providing that personal touch.

### INVESTMENT IN THE MARINAS

We are committed to further investment in our marinas to improve your overall mooring experience.

### PEACE OF MIND

Secure marinas, CCTV and staff living on the premises.

### ADDITIONAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES

Some of our marinas' added value:

- Fully equipped dry dock at Ventnor, Crick and Cropredy Marinas (read about Services on p 26)
- Neighbouring leisure club (Buckden),
- On-site sales and brokerage (see p 8).



## BOAT BROKERAGE AND SALES

With our experience and knowledge, whether buying or selling, we'll help you with every step of your journey.



### Welcome to the UK's premier boat brokerage

**Castle Boat Sales is our in-house dealership and brokerage, and our job is to make the process of buying and selling easier and safer for our customers.**

If you are buying, you can rest assured our boats come with the Castle seal of approval and are rigorously checked and ready to go.

We offer trade-in and part exchange, can arrange finance, as well as berthing and facilities of course.

If you are thinking of selling, or trading in for something new, we offer brokerage on just 4.5% with no cancellation fees and no up-front payments, as well as up to three month's free mooring while in brokerage.

Alternatively, if you need a quick sale, we buy boats and

will consider any boat - at any location and in any condition.

Our knowledgeable staff will tell you everything you need to know about life on the water, and we'd love to welcome you as a marina customer as well.

We have offices at Crick, Cropredy Brinklow and Trinity, so get in touch with if you are thinking about trading boats.

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Boats

LOVE THE IDEA OF BEING PART OF MARINA LIFE BUT DON'T WANT TO OWN A BOAT?

### HOUSEBOATS IN IDYLIC SETTINGS

High spec, low environmental impact, amazing holiday homes in beautiful Castle Marinas locations. Easy to look after, with either one or two double bedrooms and open plan living area, along with a terrace for your sundowners and watching the world go by, the lodges come ready for use. Access to the marinas is via gated pontoons, so your security is assured. We have Waterlodge moorings available at Birdham Pool and at Buckden.

### LOCATIONS

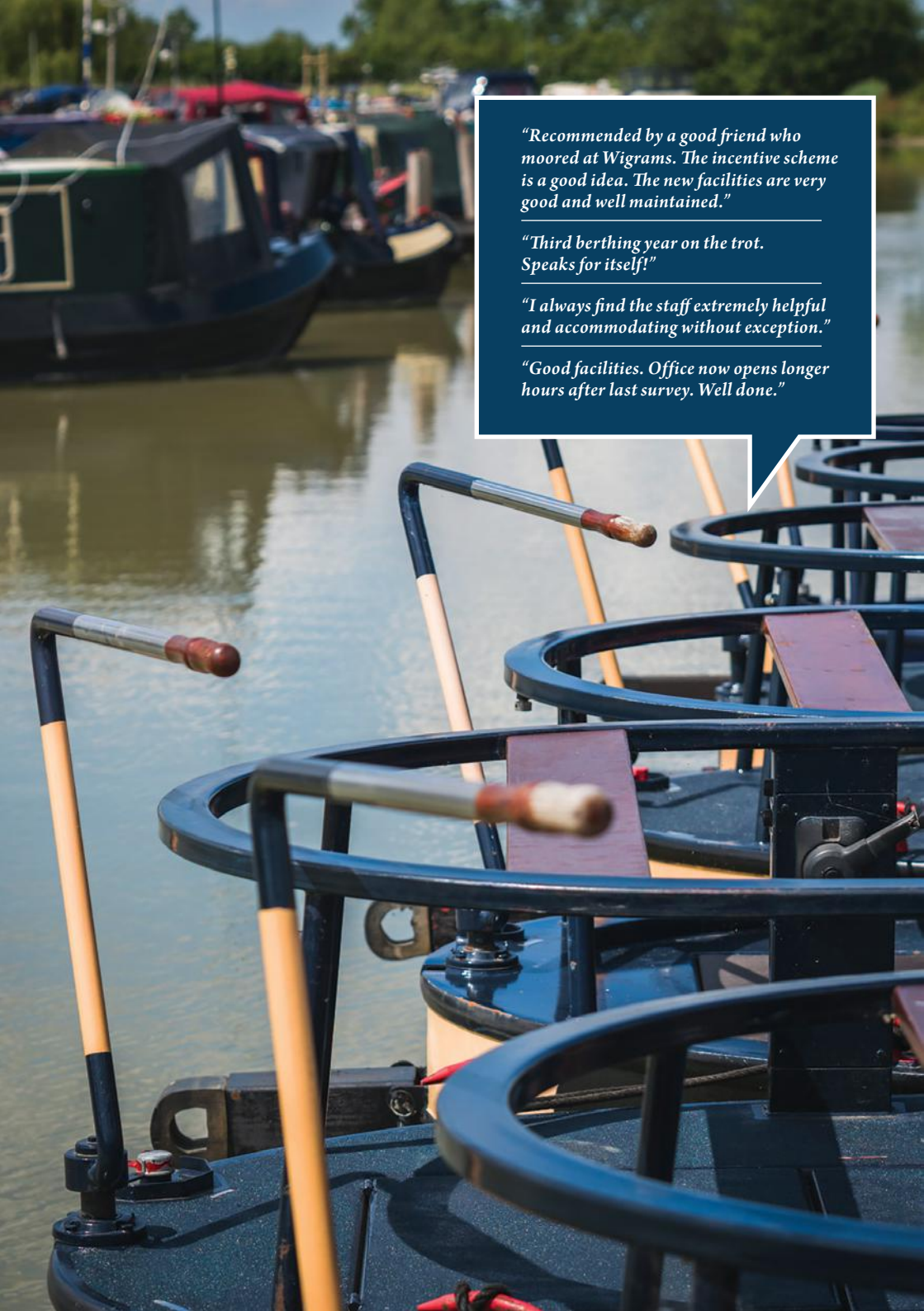
**Birdham Pool** has the most incredible South Coast location, with views up to the South Downs and towards the white sand beaches of East Head. A genuine throw back in time, The Pool offers a complete respite from the usual impression of South Coast marinas, and you are guaranteed a view from your waterlodge that'll be the envy of all your friends. Excellent beaches only 10 minutes away, pubs and restaurants a short walk or bike ride along a lovely countryside bridleway, and the city of Chichester just 10 minutes in the car.



**Buckden inland marina** offers another view of the world, equally relaxing. A mature well established site, surrounded by willow trees and excellent walks along the river. The lodges sit in enviable positions close to all facilities and there is a restaurant and leisure club onsite. Good connections to the A14 and the A1 mean your holiday home won't take long to get to, and there are many pubs and restaurants within a short drive of the marina. (see page 37)

Find out more on our boat sales site:

[castleboatsales.co.uk](http://castleboatsales.co.uk)



*"Recommended by a good friend who moored at Wigrams. The incentive scheme is a good idea. The new facilities are very good and well maintained."*

*"Third berthing year on the trot. Speaks for itself!"*

*"I always find the staff extremely helpful and accommodating without exception."*

*"Good facilities. Office now opens longer hours after last survey. Well done."*

## ~ WIGRAMS TURN ~

**Situated on the junction of the Grand Union and Oxford Canals, Wigrams Turn has arguably one of the best locations on the UK's waterways. The world is your oyster with three cruising directions and endless miles of stunning countryside.**

However, Wigrams is more than just a perfect location. It has superb amenities, including an exceptional customer lounge and first class launderette, toilet and shower facilities.

The on-site shop stocks a limited supply of essentials and there is an adjacent campsite with 10 pitches catering for tents, caravans and campers. Plus, five cabin style camping pods, which proved very popular last summer (see p14). If you love camping but want something warmer and more secure than a tent, you'll love these cosy wooden lodges.

A hire fleet, share boats and wide beam boats are included in the 225 fully serviced narrowboat moorings, enveloped within pretty surroundings, with picnic benches and a garden for social events.

Dogs are welcomed, with a separate dog walking area and even a dog shower as we know what it's like to take a muddy dog on a boat!

Manager Trevor and Assistant Manager Brett run a tight ship and their team go far above and beyond to ensure the comfort and happiness of each of their moorers.

Every boating need is catered for, from engineering services at sister marina Ventnor to regular visits from a local fish and chip van. There are also regular berth holder events including the now much anticipated Summer Fun Day, with art and craft stalls, music, refreshments and much more.

These efforts do not go unnoticed and inspire a friendly, community feel amongst boat owners and visitors alike.

### FACILITIES & SERVICES

Exceptional  
customer lounge

Five-star showers & toilets

Launderette

On-site shop

Resident Harbourmaster  
– 24hr security

Hire fleet

Campsite for tents,  
caravans and campers

Glamping pods

Regular events for  
berth-holders

Summer fun day

Visiting Fish & Chip van



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

## HOW TO FIND US...

### BY CAR

From Daventry follow the A425 signed for Warwick and Leamington Spa. At the mini roundabout take the 2nd exit following the A425 through Staverton (Countryman pub on your right). Wigrams Turn Marina is 4.7 miles on the right.

From Southam (Warwickshire) follow the A425 signed for Daventry. Continue along this road for 3.2 miles, through the village of Napton on the Hill. Wigrams Turn Marina is situated on the left.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### TRAINS

**Rugby** (11.5 miles)  
Railway Terrace, Rugby CV21 3LA  
**0845 000 8000**  
[westmidlandsrailway.co.uk](http://westmidlandsrailway.co.uk)

**Leamington Spa** (15 miles)  
Old Warwick Road,  
Royal Leamington Spa, CV31 3NS  
**0845 600 5165**  
[chilternrailways.co.uk](http://chilternrailways.co.uk)

#### BUS

Nearest Stop: **A425** (0.4 miles) Napton  
Outside the Kings Head Pub in Napton  
The 665 service will take you to Southam, where you can change for Leamington or Rugby. Timetables are available from the following links;  
[warwickshire.gov.uk](http://warwickshire.gov.uk)  
[rugby.gov.uk](http://rugby.gov.uk)

#### Community Bus

There is a weekly community bus which stops outside Wigrams Turn Marina Office each Wednesday at 9.45am. The service proceeds through some villages and into Rugby Town Centre. The return journey is at 12.30pm from outside the Crown Public House.  
**01789 264491**



**MARINA MANAGER**  
Trevor Drury

**ASST. MANAGER**  
Brett O'Connor

Wigrams Turn Marina  
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Southam,  
Warwickshire  
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Harbourmasters: **07547 524113**  
Email: [info@wigramsturnmarina.co.uk](mailto:info@wigramsturnmarina.co.uk)

### OFFICE OPENING HOURS






















Monday to Friday . . . . . 09:00 - 17:00  
Saturday . . . . . 09:00 - 16:00  
Sunday . . . . . 08:30 - 15:30

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Police . . . . . 01788 541111  
Hospital . . . . . 01926 495321  
Doctors Surgery . . . . . 01926 812577  
Avondale Vet Centre . . . . . 01926 812826  
Taylors Chemist . . . . . 01926 812287  
Johns Taxi . . . . . 07597 962129  
Napton Village Store . . . . . 01926 812488

**FOR CRUISING ROUTES FROM WIGRAMS TURN – SEE PAGE 16**



-  First Aid
-  Defibrillator
-  Fire Extinguisher
-  Fire Rotary Hand Bell
-  Escape Ladder
-  Life Ring
-  Waste Disposal
-  Toilets
-  Showers
-  Laundry
-  Bottle Bank
-  Elsan Disposal
-  Customer Lounge
-  Gas & Coal Store
-  Picnic Area
-  Customer Parking
-  Assembly Point
-  Dog Waste Bin
-  Dog Shower
-  Trolley Park
-  Fuel & Pump Out



## CAMPING FACILITIES & SERVICES

### Five-star showers & toilets

#### Wi-fi

Security gates  
(fob £20 deposit)

#### On-site shop

### Washing up facilities

#### Elsan disposal

Laundry washers & dryers  
(coin operated)

#### Cylinder gas

Resident Harbourmaster  
– 24hr security

### Dog walking field

Dog shower



- First Aid
- Defibrillator
- Fire Extinguisher
- Fire Rotary Hand Bell
- Camping Pod
- Camping Pitch
- Escape Ladder
- Life Ring
- Waste Disposal
- Toilets
- Showers
- Laundry
- Bottle Bank
- Elsan Disposal
- Gas & Coal Store
- Customer Lounge
- Picnic Area
- Customer Parking
- Assembly Point
- Dog Waste Bin
- Dog Shower

## ~ WIGRAMS TURN CARAVAN PARK ~

**Wigrams Turn Caravan and Campsite has ten wonderfully sited pitches, suitable for touring caravans, campers and tents.**

It also hosts five wooden cabin style pods, complete with double glazed windows and doors, lighting and electric, making a night under the stars cosy whatever the weather.

Campers can enjoy the same high level of service as our boat owning customers, and the reassurance that comes with being part of the Castle Marinas Group.

The site is quiet, with lovely open views of the surrounding countryside, and is ideally located on the Warwickshire and Northamptonshire border; perfect for exploring Rugby, Leamington, Warwick and Daventry.

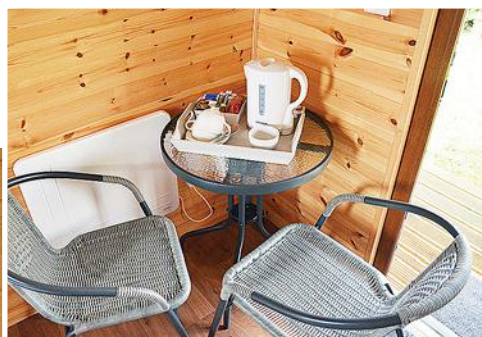
### **BOOKING**

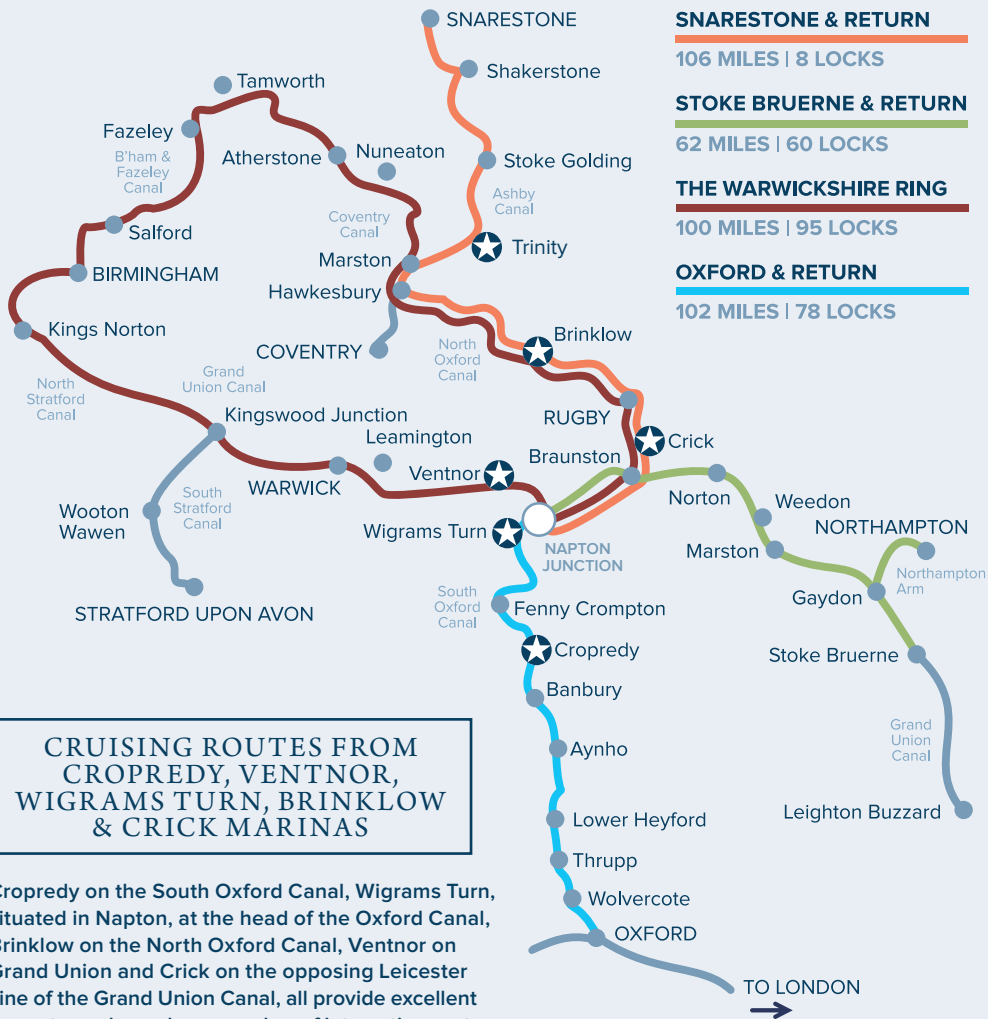
Prior booking is advised as places are limited. Maximum length of stay is five days, unless authorised in advance by the Marina Manager. All guests are asked to check in at the Marina Office on arrival at the site.

Arrivals need to be within the marina office opening hours. Security gates close at 17:30 and open at 08:00 each day.

For further details visit the website at:  
[wigramsturncamping.co.uk](http://wigramsturncamping.co.uk)

<b>TARIFF</b> (prices per night)	
<b>Tent/Trailer, 1 car + 2 people</b>	<b>£14.50</b>
<b>Caravan, 1 car + 2 people</b>	<b>£17.25</b>
<b>Motorhome, 2 people</b>	<b>£17.25</b>
<b>Additional person</b>	<b>£2.60</b>
<b>Dog (each)</b>	<b>£2.00</b>
<b>Electric</b>	<b>£3.00</b>
<b>Luxury Camping Pod (first night)</b>	<b>£60.00</b>
- per additional night	<b>£50.00</b>
- per week	<b>£300.00</b>





**CRUISING ROUTES FROM  
CROPREDY, VENTNOR,  
WIGRAMS TURN, BRINKLOW  
& CRICK MARINAS**

**Cropredy on the South Oxford Canal, Wigrams Turn, situated in Napton, at the head of the Oxford Canal, Brinklow on the North Oxford Canal, Ventnor on Grand Union and Crick on the opposing Leicester Line of the Grand Union Canal, all provide excellent bases to explore a large number of interesting routes.**

They are superbly positioned for berth holders to take advantage of our Flexible Berthing Scheme, allowing them to explore further afield without it costing the earth!

The Warwickshire Ring, for the more energetic and experienced, contrasts the beautiful countryside around Warwick with city life and industry through Birmingham

and Spaghetti Junction. alternatively, you can access the River Thames through the South Oxford Canal.

For those seeking beauty and a touch of history and culture, there is plenty on offer, including Stratford Upon Avon, Oxford, Snarestone, or a visit to the Waterways Museum at Stoke Bruerne, depending on the

number of locks you wish to negotiate.

If you are fairly new to the waterways, or just wish to relax and take in some country air, Crick is an excellent place to start, as it provides 21-miles of lock-free cruising. Plenty of space to find your water legs.





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*"When visiting the marina, apart from the very pleasant cruising location and excellent services, the staff were very pleasant and helpful, which is always very important and, a good indication of future support and help."*

*"A calm, quiet marina. Able to relax and set off in many directions compared with other marinas."*

*"We came in the spring for a pump out and were made to feel so welcome we decided to stay"*

## ~ VENTNOR ~

**In the heart of Warwickshire, this peaceful non liveaboard marina feels more like a wildlife reserve than a marina, with many species of birds in residence. Upon arriving at Ventnor, either by boat or by car, you are immediately enveloped by its sense of calm.**

The marina has been thoughtfully designed, with grassy banks concealing the tracks and parking areas, further enhancing the wonderfully rural feel.

Amongst its many outstanding features are a fishing lake, dog walking field with a dog shower, barbecue areas, customer lounge and modern toilet and showering facilities. Furthermore there are full narrowboat services available, including a dry dock.

There are 260 berths at Ventnor, suitable for all sizes of narrowboat and cruiser. Set across two basins, the berths

are laid out in bays, preserving a sense of privacy for moorers. Each bay has parking close by, making them easily accessible.

The marina has direct access to the Grand Union Canal, a central position providing excellent cruising potential and making it the perfect base for exploring the Warwickshire Ring and further afield.

Despite Ventnor's considerable physical and geographical attributes, the one thing that sets this marina apart from others nearby are the staff.

Dedicated and passionate, they

work tirelessly to really ensure that every moorer's expectations are not just met but exceeded. The harbourmasters have even been described as 'pure gold'!

### FACILITIES & SERVICES

Electric car charging

Customer lounge

Five-star toilet &  
shower facilities

Dry dock

260 berths for narrowboat  
and cruisers

A sense of privacy  
for moorers

Fishing lake

Dog walking field

Dog shower

Barbecue areas



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...



### MARINA MANAGER

Karen Wray

Ventnor Marina  
 Calcutt Lane,  
 Stockton,  
 Rugby,  
 Warwickshire,  
 CV23 8HY

### OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Sunday . . . . . 09:00 - 16:00

### USEFUL NUMBERS

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 South Warks Hospital . . . . . 01926 495321  
 Doctors Surgery . . . . . 01926 812577  
 Avondale Vet Centre . . . . . 01926 812826  
 Taylors Chemist . . . . . 01926 812287  
 Johns Taxi . . . . . 07597 962129

Tel: **01926 815023**

Harbourmasters: **07796 653081**

Email: [info@ventnor-marina.co.uk](mailto:info@ventnor-marina.co.uk)





**Ventnor Marina Moorers Association (VMMA)**

Email: [info@vmma.org.uk](mailto:info@vmma.org.uk)

[vmma.org.uk](http://vmma.org.uk)

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-  Laundry
-  Elsan Disposal
-  Customer Lounge

## HOW TO FIND US...

### BY CAR

From Daventry follow the A425 signed for Warwick and Leamington Spa. At the mini roundabout take the 2nd exit following the A425 through Staverton. Stay on this road for 5 miles. Turn right into the Tomlow Road. After 1.7 miles turn right into Calcutt Lane. Ventnor Marina is on the right after the equestrian centre.

From Southam (Warwickshire) follow the A425 signed for Daventry. Continue along this road for 2.7 miles. Turn left into the Tomlow Road. After 1.7 miles turn right into Calcutt Lane. Ventnor Marina is on the right after the equestrian centre.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### TRAINS

**Rugby** (11.5 miles)

Railway Terrace, Rugby CV21 3LA

**0845 000 8000**

[westmidlandsrailway.co.uk](http://westmidlandsrailway.co.uk)

**Leamington Spa** (15 miles)

Old Warwick Rd, Royal Leamington Spa, CV31 3NS

**0845 600 5165**

[chilternrailways.co.uk](http://chilternrailways.co.uk)

#### BUS

Nearest Stop: **A425** (1.5 miles)


**Outside the Kings Head Pub in Napton**

The **665** service will take you to Southam, where you can change for Leamington or Rugby. Timetables are available from the following links;

[warwickshire.gov.uk](http://warwickshire.gov.uk)

[rugby.gov.uk](http://rugby.gov.uk) search for bus timetables





*"I would like to say that I am more than impressed with Crick Marina. The staff have been very friendly and helpful with my newbie questions. The marina itself is fantastic and we have loved every visit since we bought the boat in December."*

*"We are very sorry to be leaving Crick, it is without doubt the best marina in which we have moored, and we wish that we had discovered it earlier in our boating career! I will certainly recommend Crick to other people."*

## ~ CRICK ~

**Crick is a picturesque marina established for over 30 years with a welcoming and homely feel. It has quickly become one of the most sought-after marinas in the country, based on its unspoiled, central location, and since 2000, host to the annual Crick Boat Show.**

Despite its convenient position just a mile from the M1 motorway and close to the bustling towns of Rugby and Northampton, Crick is exceptionally peaceful. On arrival, it is very easy to adjust to the slower, more leisurely pace, set by the friendly moorers and staff. It has a unique character, with all the welcome characteristics of a traditional country retreat, blended with modern facilities, a professional, knowledgeable team and full on site marine services.

Crick accommodates 270 fully serviced berths across two basins, suitable for narrowboats of all lengths. Our moorer's lounge, launderette, toilet and shower buildings have recently undergone a complete

refurbishment, aligning them with the first class facilities enjoyed by the other marinas in the Castle Marinas Group.

Well placed on the Leicester Arm of the Grand Union Canal, Crick enjoys a 21-miles of lock-free cruising, promoting relaxed weekends afloat, yet also provides easy access to all major cruising routes.

The marina benefits from a fully enclosed dry dock and a boat brokerage operated by Castle Boat Sales (see p8).

Berth holders can also enjoy free wi-fi and free weekend passes for the Crick Boat Show, held every year on the late May Bank Holiday.

### FACILITIES & SERVICES

Electric car charging

Friendly  
knowledgeable staff

Customer lounge

Five-star toilet &  
shower facilities

Narrowboat services,  
including a dry dock

270 berths for  
narrowboats and cruisers

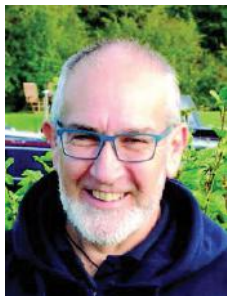
Boat brokerage

A sense of privacy  
for moorers

Dog walking field



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...



### MARINA MANAGER

Mark Stevenson

Crick Marina  
West Haddon Road,  
Crick,  
Northamptonshire,  
NN6 7SQ

Tel: **01788 824034**

24 hour emergency number **07900 471029**

Email: [info@crickmarina.com](mailto:info@crickmarina.com)

### OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Winter hours .....0900 - dusk

Summer hours .....0900 - 1700

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Crick Medical Practice ..... 01788 822203

Crick Post Office.....01788 822201

Co-op Convenience Store..... 01788 822277

Northampton General Hospital. .... 01604 634700

Medivet Rugby Hillmorton .....01788 542221

Dentist .....111

Compass Cabs, Rugby ..... 01788 222222

**FOR CRUISING ROUTES FROM  
CRICK – SEE PAGE 16**

## HOW TO FIND US...

### BY CAR

From M1 Jn 18

Take the A428 towards West Haddon, bypassing the centre of Crick Village. After leaving the bypass, the A428 crosses the Grand Union Canal on an old brick hump-back bridge. Take the first entrance on the left after the bridge, and take the centre driveway of three, immediately to the right of the Garden Centre.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### TRAINS

**Rugby** (8 miles)

Railway Terrace, Rugby CV21 3LA

**0845 000 8000**

[westmidlandsrailway.co.uk](http://westmidlandsrailway.co.uk)

#### BUS

Nearest Stop: **West Haddon Road** (5 min walk)

Stagecoach Warwickshire route 86 runs from

Coventry - West Haddon via Rugby

[bustimes.org](http://bustimes.org)







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|  | FIRST AID         |  | CUSTOMER LOUNGE |
|  | ASSEMBLY POINT    |  | OIL WASTE       |
|  | DEFIBRILLATOR     |  | DOG WASTE BIN   |
|  | FIRE EXTINGUISHER |  | RECYCLING       |
|  | ROTARY HAND BELL  |  | WASTE DISPOSAL  |
|  | LIFE RING         |  | BOTTLE BANK     |
|  | ESCAPE LADDER     |  | GAS             |
|  | TOILETS           |  | FUEL & PUMP OUT |
|  | SHOWERS           |  | PARKING         |
|  | LAUNDRY           |  | ELSAN DISPOSAL  |
|  | COAL STORE        |  | TROLLEY PARK    |

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**01788 823824**

**info@wheatsheafcrick.com**  
**www.wheatsheafcrick.com**



  
Castle Marinas

## BOAT SERVICES WITHIN OUR MARINAS

# Castle Boat Services

**Narrowboats require regular maintenance to ensure trouble free boating, to enhance your experience and help protect your investment. Breakdowns are rare, but regular servicing can help minimize the risk.**

Our full range of boat services is here to help you keep on top of planned maintenance and help prevent breakdowns. We can arrange boat blacking, anode replacement, surveys, bow & tunnel flash painting, engineering works and pretty much anything else required, depending on location and availability.



### Dry dock Services

For blacking and more substantial structural repairs Castle Boat Services offers access to dry dock services at some of our marinas, Ventnor, Cropredy and Crick.

**To find out more get in touch with Castle Boat Services at any of our marinas on the main office numbers.**

### Wet dock

For canal side repairs, engineering work and alterations we have a wet dock at both Trinity and Kings Bromley.

**Even if you're not a Castle customer, we should be able to help. We have a mobile unit covering the heart of the UK canal system.**

We offer a full range of services:

- Mechanical and electrical
- Water and heating
- Structural
- Fuel





*"We are very sorry to be leaving the delightful Croppedy Marina after 2 very pleasant years. Once again, thank you for your ever helpful and cheery staff, great service and idyllic location."*

*"I would like to thank you and Guy for your help over the last few weeks and having dealt with other marinas in the last year you guys really are the best, other marinas really need to improve massively to get close to your standards."*

## ~ CROPREDY ~

Set in the glorious Oxfordshire countryside, just 5 miles north of Banbury, lies the delightful Cropredy Marina.

This charming, immaculately maintained marina has 350 berths, set across three wide basins, suitable for all sizes of narrowboat. It's generous proportions allow ease of manoeuvrability for all size of vessel.

All the pontoons are fully serviced providing electricity, water and wi-fi, with diesel, gas, coal, pump-out, and elsan available at the service quay.

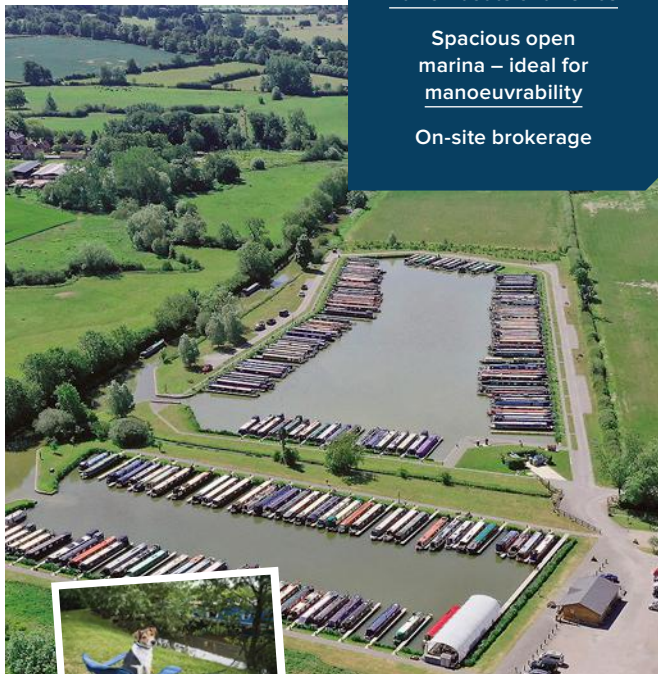
The marina lies within walking distance of the attractive village of Cropredy, famous for the annual Fairport Convention music festival. There is a thriving community and excellent amenities, including two pubs, a general store, a doctor's surgery and the Mulberry Cafe, located just off the village green.

Cropredy is ideally positioned on the southern Oxford Canal, for short and longer cruises on the southern half of the English canal network, and also provides access to the Thames at Oxford.

The team at Cropredy, managed by Georgina Wickham, are experienced boaters, passionate about all aspects of the marina, which is reflected in how spotless the grounds are kept.

The marina office is open seven days a week so there is always someone on hand to offer help or advice where necessary.

Cropredy also has a fully enclosed dry dock, providing all aspects of boat maintenance and repair and a boat brokerage operated by Castle Boat Sales (read more about Boat Services on p26 and Sales on p8).



### FACILITIES & SERVICES

Five-star toilet & shower facilities

Fully serviced pontoons

Narrowboat services, including fully enclosed dry dock.

350 berths for narrowboats of all sizes

Spacious open marina – ideal for manoeuvrability

On-site brokerage

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- Wider pontoons

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

## HOW TO FIND US...

### BY CAR

From M40 Jn 11

Take the A361 towards Daventry and take the left turn for Cropredy. Once at the village green in front of the Brasenose Arms, turn right and go about half a mile up Claydon Road. The marina is on the right as you leave the village.

From M1 Jn 18 and the A5 at Crick/Kilsby

Take the A361 south through Daventry towards Banbury, and take the only right turn for Cropredy. Once at the village green in front of the Brasenose Arms, turn right and go about half a mile up Claydon Road. The marina is on the right as you leave the village.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### TRAINS

**Banbury (5.3 miles)**  
Station Rd, Banbury OX16 5AB  
**0345 7000 125**  
[gwr.com](http://gwr.com)

#### BUS

Nearest Bus Stop:  
**Brasenose Arms PH**,  
Station Rd, Cropredy, Banbury OX17 1PW  
Stagecoach Midlands route 502 runs between Leamington/Harbury - Temple Herdewyke/Banbury via Cropredy on Saturdays  
[stagecoachbus.com](http://stagecoachbus.com)

Catteralls Coaches route 503 runs between Long Itchington and Southam to Banbury via Cropredy on Thurs only.  
[travelcatteralls.co.uk](http://travelcatteralls.co.uk)

FOR CRUISING ROUTES FROM  
CROPREDY – SEE PAGE 16



**MARINA MANAGER**  
Georgina Wickham

Cropredy Marina  
Claydon Road,  
Cropredy,  
Banbury,  
Oxfordshire,  
OX17 1JP

Tel: **01295 758911**

Email: [info@cropredymarina.com](mailto:info@cropredymarina.com)

### OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday - Sunday ..... 0900 - 1700

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Cropredy Doctors Surgery.....01295 758372  
Banbury Dental Surgery.....01295 758372  
Horton General Hospital ..... 01295 275500  
North Banbury Veterinary Centre... 01295 262332  
Hawthorn Lodge Vet Surgery ..... 01295 259446  
Bridge Stores ..... thebridgestores@gmail.com  
Castle Cars (Taxi)..... 01295 252627  
The Mulberry Café..... 01295 750020  
The Brasenose Arms .....01295 750244  
The Red Lion ..... 01295 758680

**Simon Pollard**

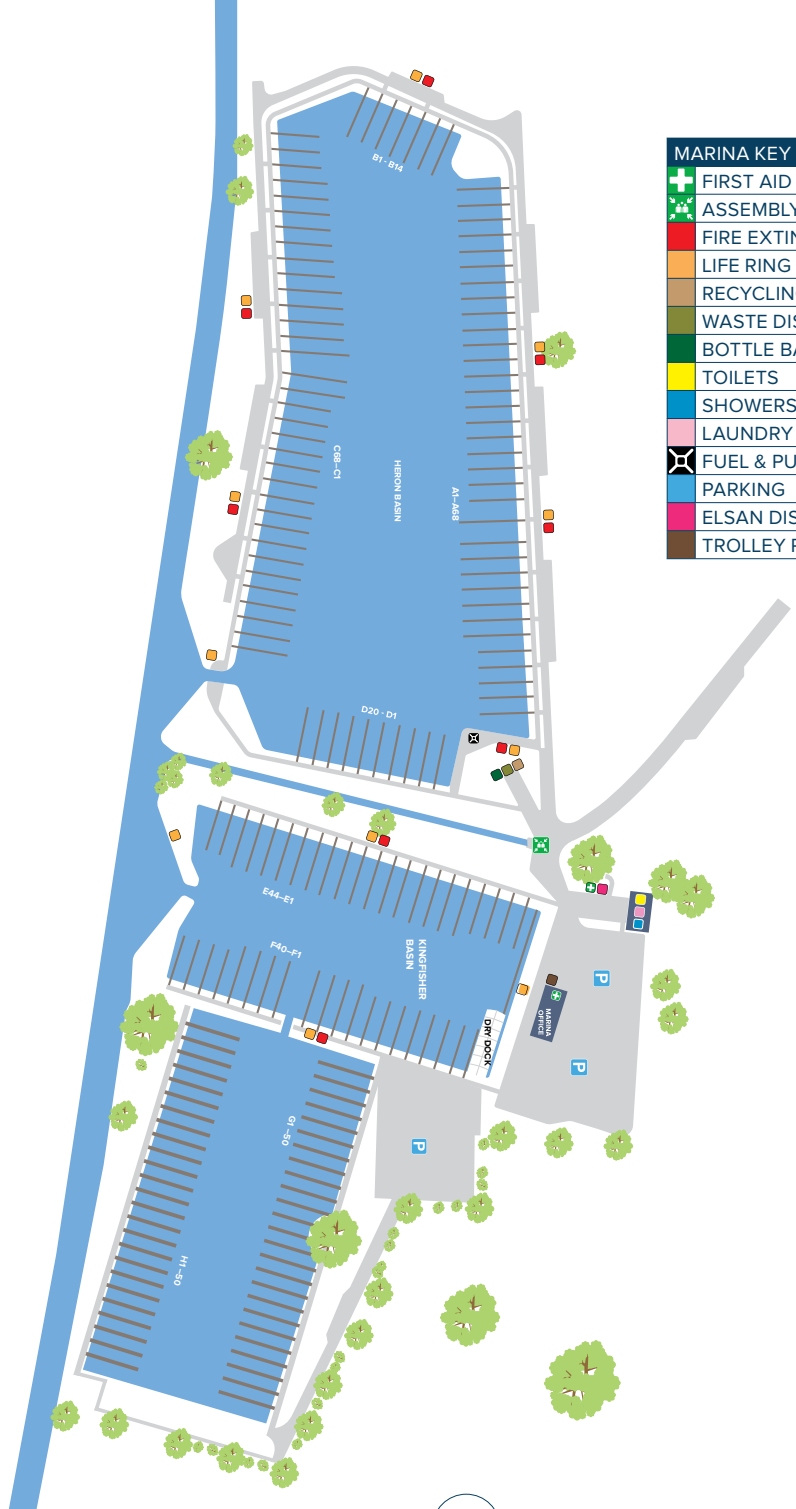
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	TOILETS
	SHOWERS
	LAUNDRY
	FUEL & PUMP OUT
	PARKING
	ELSAN DISPOSAL
	TROLLEY PARK



*"It is a lovely marina. The facilities are excellent."*

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*"Staff are friendly and helpful - as are other moorers."*

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*"I have found the staff very helpful as we learn about our new boat. They have been great at providing access to various engineers and surveyors that we require."*

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*"Friendly staff - we felt welcome from the very first 'Hello' - and continue to feel that way."*

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*"This is a lovely marina, which is welcoming, and run efficiently. I have never had any reason to complain about anything."*





## ~ KINGS BROMLEY ~

**Surrounded by beautiful, undulating landscapes, this bewitching rural hideaway is the perfect place to relax and revitalize.**

Kings Bromley has 275 narrowboat berths across two phases linked by a canal style bridge. The carefully designed, wonderful landscaping creates a tranquil feeling of seclusion, yet there is a friendly welcoming vibe emanating throughout.

Sitting on the Trent and Mersey, Kings Bromley has 90 miles of waterways on its doorstep. Only a short distance from Fradley Junction, it is the perfect base for exploring the Four Counties and Cheshire Rings, which winds through some fantastic countryside (see map on p31). It is also conveniently located for Lichfield and Stafford, with the M6 only 20 minutes away.

It seems that Kings Bromley casts a spell on its visitors, as so

many come for the weekend and never leave, remaining moorers for many years. We suspect this is not only the wonderful surroundings but the work ethic of Sue and her team, who work relentlessly to preserve the marina's high standard.

The grounds are superbly maintained, planted carefully with a wide variety of foliage and flowers, bringing an explosion of colour in the springtime and an abundance of wildlife all year round.

The office and facilities building, built in 2017, remains the hub of marina operations, benefitting from a shop and chandlery stocking basic essentials. It also continues to provide the perfect space for moorers to sit, both in

summer on the sun terrace and in winter in the cosy lounge.

The bath is still a firm favourite with everyone!

The site also benefits from a chandlery, a designated work bay, drying area, fuel and pump out, and a log cabin moorer's lounge, available to hire out for clubs and activities.

### FACILITIES & SERVICES

#### Tranquil setting

#### 275 narrowboat berths

#### Customer lounge & Sun Terrace

#### Toilet & shower facilities

#### Shop & chandlery

#### Designated work bay

#### Fuel, gas and coal store

#### Elsan disposal



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...



### MARINA MANAGER

Sue Poynton

Kings Bromley Marina  
Lichfield Road,  
Bromley Hayes,  
Staffordshire,  
WS13 8HT

Tel: **01543 417209**

Email: [info@kingsbromleymarina.co.uk](mailto:info@kingsbromleymarina.co.uk)

### OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday - Saturday ..... 09.00 - 16.30  
Sunday ..... 10:00 - 15:00

### Winter hours

Mon-Fri ..... 09.30 - 16.00  
Sat ..... 09.00 - 16.00  
Sun ..... 10:00 - 15:00

**The service quay closes half an hour before the office**

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Police ..... 0300 123 455  
Queens Hospital. .... 01283 566333  
Doctors Surgery ..... 01543 472202  
Grange Hill Vet Centre ..... 01543 416246  
Armitage Chemist ..... 01543 491650  
Armitage Dental Practice ..... 01543 491800  
City Cars Lichfield ..... 01543 255440  
BB Taxi ..... 07580 189291

## HOW TO FIND US...

### BY CAR

From the A38 between Lichfield and Burton on Trent, take the A515 to Kings Bromley. At the traffic lights in Kings Bromley, take the A515 south for 2 miles where the marina is on your right hand side.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

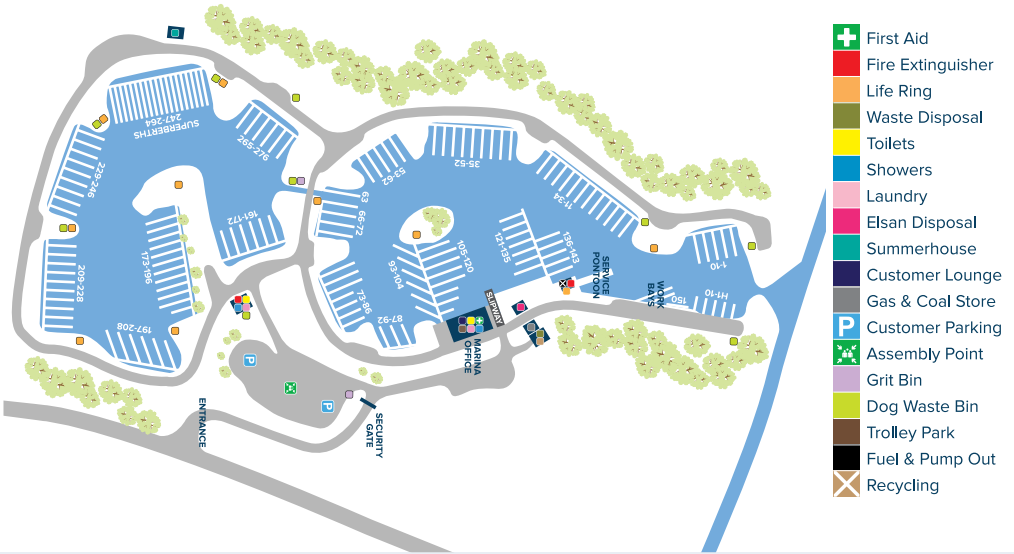
#### TRAINS

**Lichfield Trent Valley Station** (4.4 miles)  
Station Approach (off Burton Road, Lichfield,  
Staffordshire WS13 6HE 08000 248 998  
[westmidlandsrailway.co.uk](http://westmidlandsrailway.co.uk)

#### BUS

Nearest Stop: **Elmhurst**, A515 (Approx. 1 mile)  
Opposite Lichfield Golf and Country Club  
825 service to Lichfield city centre  
829 service to Stafford - Rugeley - Lichfield  
[bustimes.org](http://bustimes.org)





# CRUISING FROM KINGS BROMLEY

## THE FOUR COUNTIES RING

111 MILES | 94 LOCKS

## THE WARWICKSHIRE RING

100 MILES | 95 LOCKS

## THE LEICESTER RING

154 MILES | 101 LOCKS





*"Great Marina, friendly and helpful staff, great facilities."*

*"Brilliant staff, brilliant marina, after 11 years I am moving to the East Coast for a change of scene, but I have a feeling I will be back!"*

*"The staff at Buckden are very helpful and friendly."*

*"Mike & Zoe were great. Zoe was particularly understanding and helpful when I called to explain our problem - full marks to her."*

## ~ BUCKDEN ~

**An enchanting riverside retreat, cloaked by weeping willows and bursting with wildlife, Buckden is a truly special marina.**

Set in 92 acres of Cambridgeshire countryside with direct access to the meandering River Great Ouse, Buckden boasts 140 miles of river cruising opportunities, both West inland or East towards the coast and North Sea.

There are 240 pontoon berths catering for cruisers, wide beams and narrowboats. Combine this with the very competitive mooring rates and you'll wonder why you didn't move to Buckden years ago!

As well as excellent cruising choices, the pretty town of Buckden is just a cycle ride away and Buckden Marina itself has an on-site leisure club! The club is run by Waterside Leisure and hosts a gym, spa, swimming pool and tennis courts.

The marina is also equipped with great engineering and boat sales services.

Mick, the Marina Manager, along with Zoe, Sonja and Tony are a great team and always go above and beyond to help moorers and visitors alike.

### FACILITIES & SERVICES

Tranquil setting

240 pontoon berths

Leisure club

Swimming pool

Bar and restaurant

Toilet &  
shower facilities

Storage, boat lifting  
and Slipway

On-site repairs and  
engineering



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

## HOW TO FIND US...

### BY CAR

From the A1(M) merge onto the A1, Great North Road. At the roundabout sign posted Buckden, take the 3rd exit (from the South) or first exit (from the north) onto The High Street. Turn right onto Church Street and continue onto Mill Road for just over a mile. Turn left into Marina View.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### TRAINS

**St. Neots** (4 miles)  
Hawkesden Road, St Neots, PE19 1QF  
**0800 058 2844**  
[westmidlandsrailway.co.uk](http://westmidlandsrailway.co.uk)

#### BUS

Mill Road nr. Buckden Village (1 mile)  
Outside the Kings Head Pub in Napton  
The 65 or 66 service will take you to St. Neots.  
[warwickshire.gov.uk](http://warwickshire.gov.uk)

### MARINA MANAGER

Mick King

Buckden Marina  
7A Marina View,  
Mill Road,  
Buckden,  
Cambridgeshire  
PE19 5BH



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Email: [info@buckdenmarina.co.uk](mailto:info@buckdenmarina.co.uk)


















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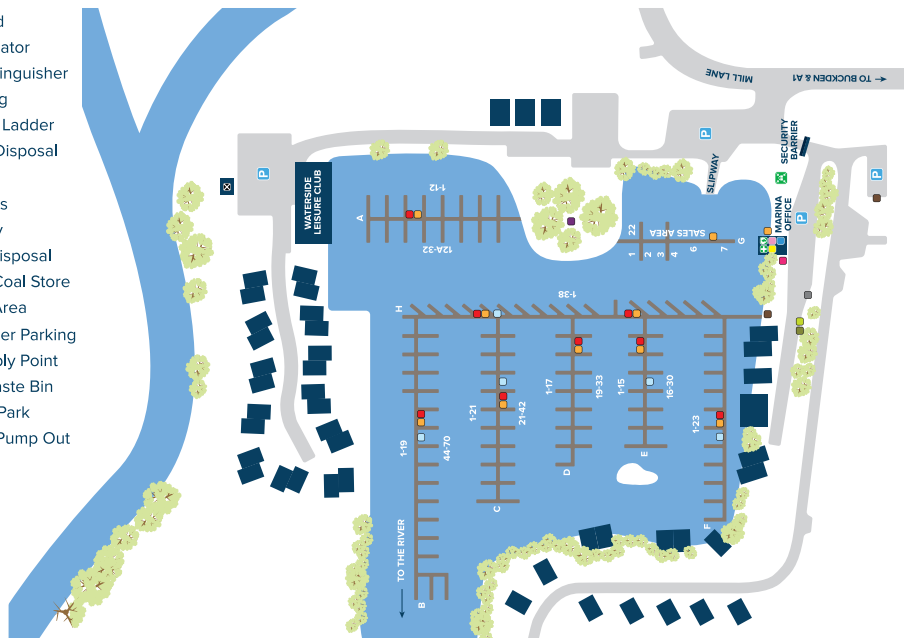
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Saturday and Sunday . . . . . 10:00 - 16:00  
Bank holiday hours may vary

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Police . . . . . 0845 4564564  
Hinchingbrooke Hospital . . . . . 01480 416416  
Doctors Surgery . . . . . 01480 810216  
Medivet Brampton . . . . . 01480 433566  
Buckden Pharmacy . . . . . 01480 810077  
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-  Escape Ladder
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-  Toilets
-  Showers
-  Laundry
-  Elsan Disposal
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-  Picnic Area
-  Customer Parking
-  Assembly Point
-  Dog Waste Bin
-  Trolley Park
-  Fuel & Pump Out

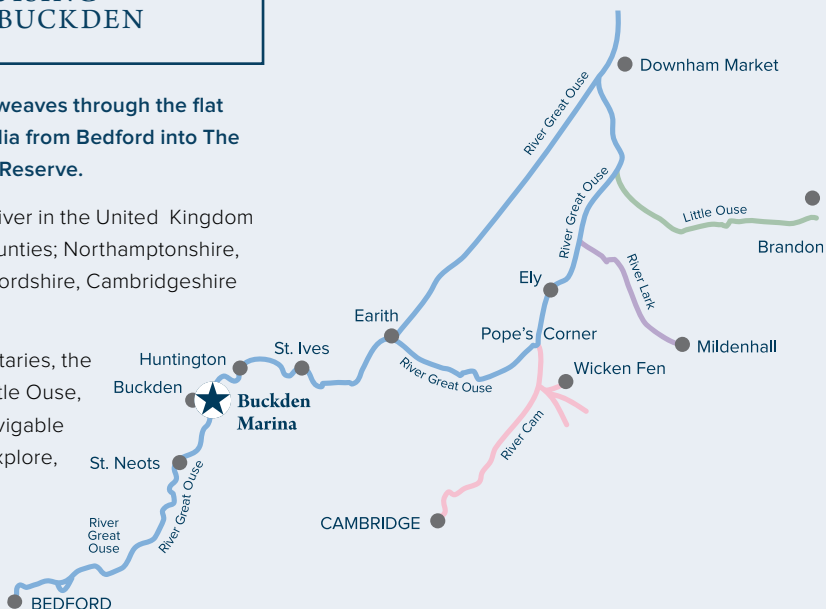


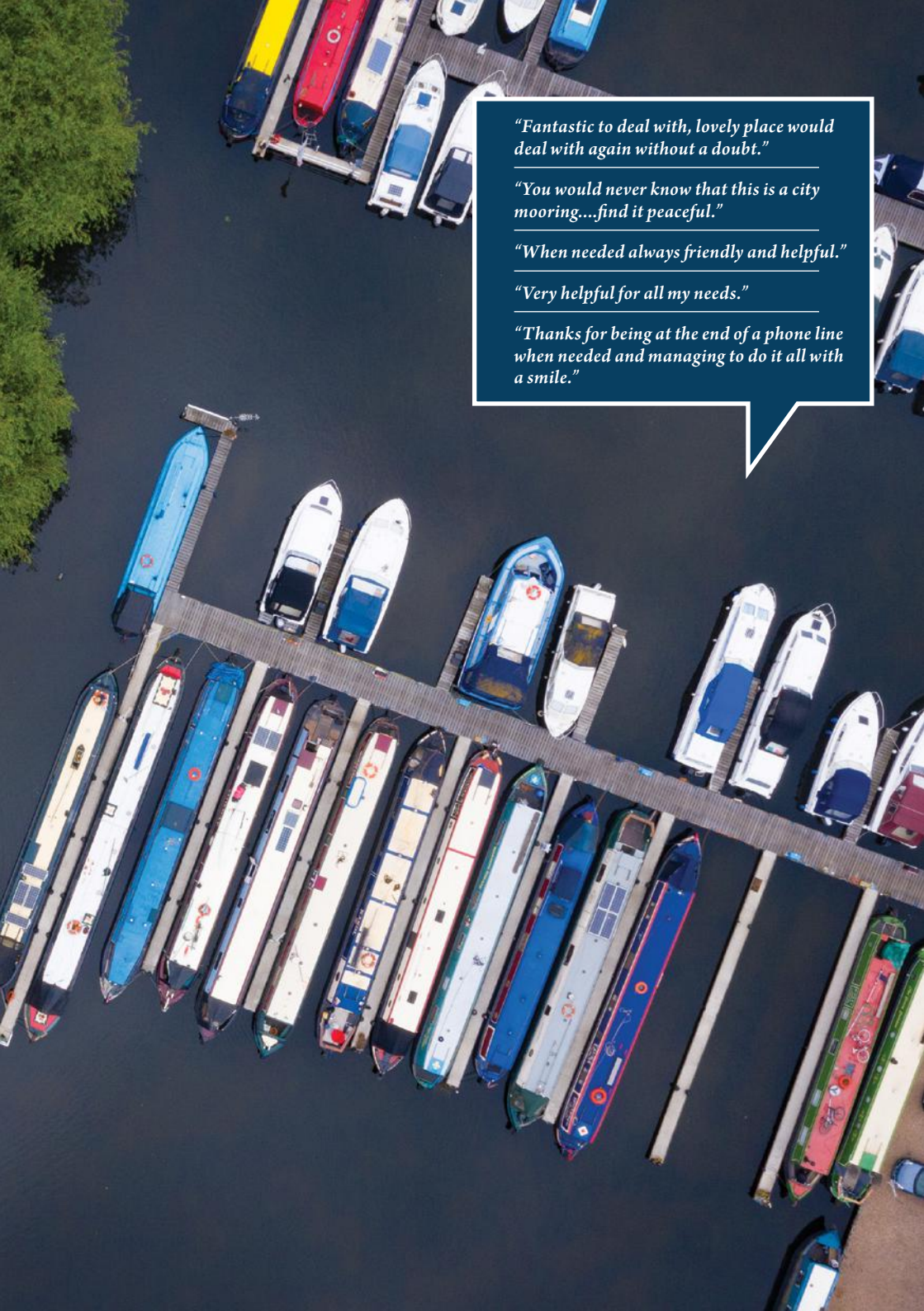
## CRUISING FROM BUCKDEN

The River Great Ouse weaves through the flat landscape of East Anglia from Bedford into The Wash National Nature Reserve.

It is the fourth longest river in the United Kingdom and flows through 5 counties; Northamptonshire, Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Norfolk.

Combined with its tributaries, the River Cam, Lark and Little Ouse, it offers 140 miles of navigable waterways for you to explore, flowing through some of the most unspoilt water environments in Britain.





*"Fantastic to deal with, lovely place would deal with again without a doubt."*

*"You would never know that this is a city mooring....find it peaceful."*

*"When needed always friendly and helpful."*

*"Very helpful for all my needs."*

*"Thanks for being at the end of a phone line when needed and managing to do it all with a smile."*



## ~ NOTTINGHAM CASTLE ~

**This urban marina perched on the banks of the Nottingham and Beeston Canal in Nottingham is perhaps the most surprising of our marinas. And what a lovely surprise it is!**

Located just a mile from the vibrant city centre, there is a world of history, culture and entertainment at your fingertips. But despite this close proximity, the marina itself has a quiet, almost serene atmosphere, with an abundance of wildlife including a resident heron and cormorant.

Offering over 200 narrowboat and cruiser moorings with full marina facilities, including a well-stocked chandlery and a

customer lounge, overlooking the entrance to the marina.

Additionally there are new customer toilets at the eastern end, as well as Fuel, Elsan, Pump-out, New and used cruiser and narrowboat brokerage, maintenance and engineering services.

We also have residential staff for extra peace of mind as well as modern CCTV and electronic gated access.

### FACILITIES & SERVICES

Tranquil setting

Over 200 berths

Customer lounge

Chandlery

Fuel

Elsan pump-out

CCTV & gated access

**Repairs and engineering  
facilities nearby**



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

## HOW TO FIND US...

### BY CAR

Exit the M1 at Jn 24 onto the A453 Remembrance Way. After 6 miles continue on the A453 onto Clifton Lane. After 2 miles, use the left lane to merge into A52 Clifton Boulevard. Take the 1st exit onto A453, Queen's Drive towards the City Centre. After 1.4 miles turn left into Castle Bridge Road (look for the brown signs). Go straight over two roundabouts and at the 3rd, take the 1st exit on to Lawrence Way. At the next roundabout, take the 3rd exit, then take the next right into Castle Marina.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### TRAMS

Nearest Tram Stop: **Meadows Way West**

(Approx. 1.3 miles walk)

Trams go to Hucknall or Beeston depending on direction of travel

[thetram.net](http://thetram.net)

#### TRAINS

**Nottingham:**

(Approx. 1 mile walk along the towpath), Carrington Street, Nottingham, NG2 3AQ

**03457 125 678**

[eastmidlandsrailway.co.uk](http://eastmidlandsrailway.co.uk)

#### BUS

Nearest Bus Stop: **Castle Boulevard**

Served by the "Skylink" bus which goes either into Nottingham City Centre or to East Midlands airport/ Derby/Loughborough/Coalville

[trentbarton.co.uk](http://trentbarton.co.uk)

[nctx.co.uk](http://nctx.co.uk)

### MARINA MANAGER

Ben Dalley

Nottingham Castle  
Marina  
Marina Road  
Nottingham  
NG7 1TN



Tel: **0115 941 2672**

Email: [info@nottinghamcastlemarina.co.uk](mailto:info@nottinghamcastlemarina.co.uk)

### OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Saturday..... 09:30 - 17:00

Sundays and Bank holidays..... 10:00 - 16:00

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Police ..... 0300 300 999

Queens Medical Centre ..... 0115 924 9924

Doctors Surgery ..... 0844 4773096

Bright Smile Dental Practice ..... 0115 961 3273

Castle Vets Centre..... 0115 941 7894

Boots Pharmacy ..... 0115 978 7169

DG cars ([dgcars.co.uk](http://dgcars.co.uk)): ..... 0115 950 0500

Central Cars ([central-cars.net](http://central-cars.net)) ..... 0115 9762222

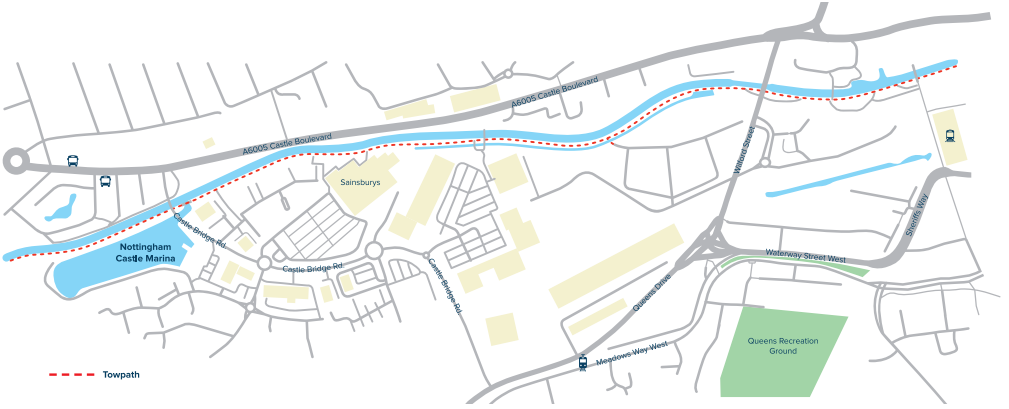
There are also London style 'black cabs' that you can just flag down rather than booking.

## CHANDLERY 10% DISCOUNT VOUCHER

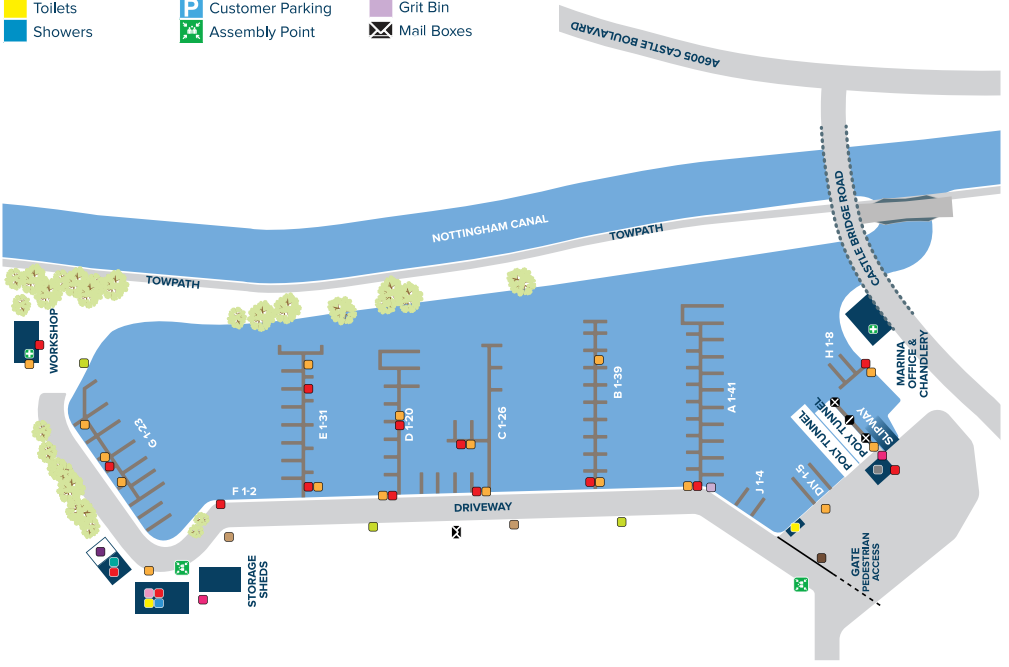
Present this voucher in store  
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| Life Ring         | Gas & Coal Store | Pump Out              |
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# CRUISING FROM NOTTINGHAM CASTLE & TRINITY

## THE EAST MIDLANDS RING

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## THE WARWICKSHIRE RING

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*"On arriving to our mooring at Trinity we were heartily greeted back by the new manager. Trinity Marina is now a very friendly and happy place to be, and now, we have more security and a professionally run establishment. We are kept up to date on what is happening and the reception we get when we go into the office or needing services is practical, helpful and most important welcoming."*

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*"We have winter moored at Trinity for five years and are delighted and impressed with the improvements since Castle Marinas have taken over."*

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*"In a matter of a few months the improvements have been brilliant. The professional advice and help regarding boating matters has been invaluable and the friendliness of the staff is five-Star"*



## ~ TRINITY ~

Trinity is located in the Heart of England on the beautiful Ashby Canal in Hinckley, Leicestershire in close proximity to the M1, M6 and M69 motorways, and just off the A5 (Watling Street).

The excellent location boasts over 40 miles of lock-free canals for you to explore all year round, and with the Grand Union Canal at Braunston just 30 miles away its a great spot from which to explore Britain's canal network.

Sister marinas Kings Bromley, Wigrams Turn, Ventnor and Crick all within easy reach, it's a fantastic opportunity to take advantage of our Flexible Berthing offer and explore further afield, with peace of mind.

With 150 berths we host a number of moorings on the Linear and a further 100 berths

on high quality pontoons inside the marina, suitable for boat lengths from 40ft up to 72ft.

We have a shop, selling essentials for moorers, and a basic chandlery which we will retain. We can order in any specific chandlery items a moorer would require. The office building also has a lounge area with sofas, TV and a book swap library.

All the usual facilities are here, from fuel and gas to pumpout and elsan. We offer free toilets, showers and (paid) laundry plus free parking next to the pontoons.

### FACILITIES & SERVICES

Excellent location

150 berths

Toilets and Showers

Laundry

Chandlery & Shop

Fuel and Gas

Pump-out

Bars and Restaurants  
within walking distance

Free car parking

Enhanced security with  
staff living on-site



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

## HOW TO FIND US...

### BY CAR

From the M1, J21, take the M69 south towards Hinckley. From the M6 J2, head north on the M69. Once on the M69 take J1, A5, and head North East towards Hinckley and Tamworth. At the second roundabout turn right onto Hammonds Way. Turn immediately left onto Nutts Lane, continuing until you reach Coventry Road. Turn left then shortly the Applegreen petrol station and Premier Inn will be visible on the right. Take the slip road between the two landmarks and the Marina Gates will be at the end of the road. There is an external carpark available by the Marina office.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### TRAINS

**Hinckley** (2 miles) Hinckley LE10 1UE

Trains from Leicester to Nuneaton offering good connections to the rest of the country.

[crosscountrytrains.co.uk](http://crosscountrytrains.co.uk)

**Nuneaton** (6 miles) Nuneaton CV11 4BU

[avantiwestcoast.co.uk](http://avantiwestcoast.co.uk)

[crosscountrytrains.co.uk](http://crosscountrytrains.co.uk)

[westmidlandsrailway.co.uk](http://westmidlandsrailway.co.uk)

#### BUS

Maple Drive or Nutts Lane, off Coventry Road (5 mins walk). 48L, 55, and 158 Sapphire Hinckley and Leicester

[arrivabus.co.uk](http://arrivabus.co.uk)

[stagecoachbus.com](http://stagecoachbus.com)



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### OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday . . . . . 09:30 - 17:00

Saturday . . . . . 09:30 - 16:00

Sunday . . . . . 10:00 - 15:00

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Leicestershire Police: . . . . . 0116 222 2222

George Eliot Hospital: . . . . . 024 7635 1351

Doctor: . . . . . 01455 635362

Station Road Dental Practice: . . . . . 01455 637141

Hollycroft Vets: . . . . . 01455 616012

Lloyds Pharmacy: . . . . . 01455 619153

Taxi: . . . . . 01455 448053

Coventry Road Post Office: . . . . . 01455 631738

FOR CRUISING ROUTES FROM  
TRINITY – SEE PAGE 44





- FIRST AID
- ASSEMBLY POINT
- FIRE EXTINGUISHER
- LIFE RING
- RECYCLING
- WASTE DISPOSAL
- BOTTLE BANK
- TOILETS
- SHOWERS
- LAUNDRY
- FUEL & PUMP OUT
- CUSTOMER PARKING
- ELSAN DISPOSAL
- TROLLEY PARK

Asphy Canal

Marina Office and shop

Main entrance

- D1, D2, D3, D22, D23, D4, D5, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D33, D34, D35, D36, D37, D38, D39, D40
- C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6, C7, C8, C9, C10, C11, C12, C13, C14, C15, C16, C17, C18, C19, C20, C21, C22, C23, C24, C25, C26, C27, C28, C29, C30, C31, C32, C33, C34, C35, C36, C37, C38, C39, C40
- B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B6, B7, B8, B9, B10, B11, B12, B13, B14, B15, B16, B17, B18, B19, B20, B21, B22, B23, B24, B25, B26, B27, B28, B29, B30, B31, B32, B33, B34, B35, B36, B37, B38, B39, B40
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ANOTHER  
GOOD REASON  
TO JOIN OUR FAMILY

*Hello  
Brinklow*



## ~ BRINKLOW ~

**As we go to press we are excited to announce the arrival of Brinklow to our family of marinas. We have already commissioned substantial works to start the process of upgrading this delightful site.**

The marina was built on a green field site in 2005 and joins the 11 marinas now owned by Castle Marinas.

Featuring 200 berths set within 22 acres of landscaped grounds, and with 360° views of beautiful

open country, it really is “a breath of fresh air”. Its situation, having access to the Oxford Canal (Northern Arm), and within easy reach of the Grand Union and Ashby Canals, makes it an ideal base to explore the midlands network.

Brinklow Marina is located between the local centres of Brinklow, 2 miles to the west and Cathron, 1 mile to the east. The centre of Rugby is about 4 miles to the south east and the larger city of Coventry is about 5 miles to the west.

Brinklow stands on the Fosse Way and has several local shops and pubs and a primary school. The larger centres of both Rugby and Coventry provide a more comprehensive range of retail, service and leisure facilities.

The Oxford Canal connects the Grand Union Canal to the Coventry Canal close to its junction with the Ashby Canal. The location is central on the overall canal system and has the advantage of having very few locks within the close vicinity and is therefore a good berthing location for weekend day cruising.

Road communications are good with access to Junctions 1 and 2 of the M6 within 5 and 7 miles east and west of the marina respectively. Birmingham is about 30 miles to the west and central London 92 miles to the south and Birmingham International Airport is about 25 miles to the west.

### FACILITIES & SERVICES

Excellent green  
field location

200 berths

Fuel and Gas

Pump-out

Free car parking

**360° countryside views**



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

## HOW TO FIND US...

### BY CAR

From M6 J1, take the A426 towards Rugby. At the third roundabout, take the 3rd exit onto Brownsover Rd. In 1.3 miles turn right onto Main St/B4112, and in a further 1.5 miles turn left onto Easenhall Rd. After 400 yds Cathiron lane is on your left and the marina is 1 mile further.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### TRAINS

**Rugby** (5 miles) Mill Road, Rugby

Trains from London to Manchester and Birmingham  
[avantwestcoast.co.uk](http://avantwestcoast.co.uk)  
[wmtrains.co.uk](http://wmtrains.co.uk)

#### BUS

Rugby Road, adjacent Lodge Farm **85A** and **85B**  
Golden Lion **85B**  
[nxbus.co.uk](http://nxbus.co.uk)

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Warwickshire Police: ..... 01788 541 111  
Rugby St Cross Hospital.....01788 572831  
Medivet Rugby Hillmorton .....01788 542221  
Dentist .....111  
GP Dr S L Brown.....01788 832 994  
Golden Lion Hotel & Restaurant....01788 833577



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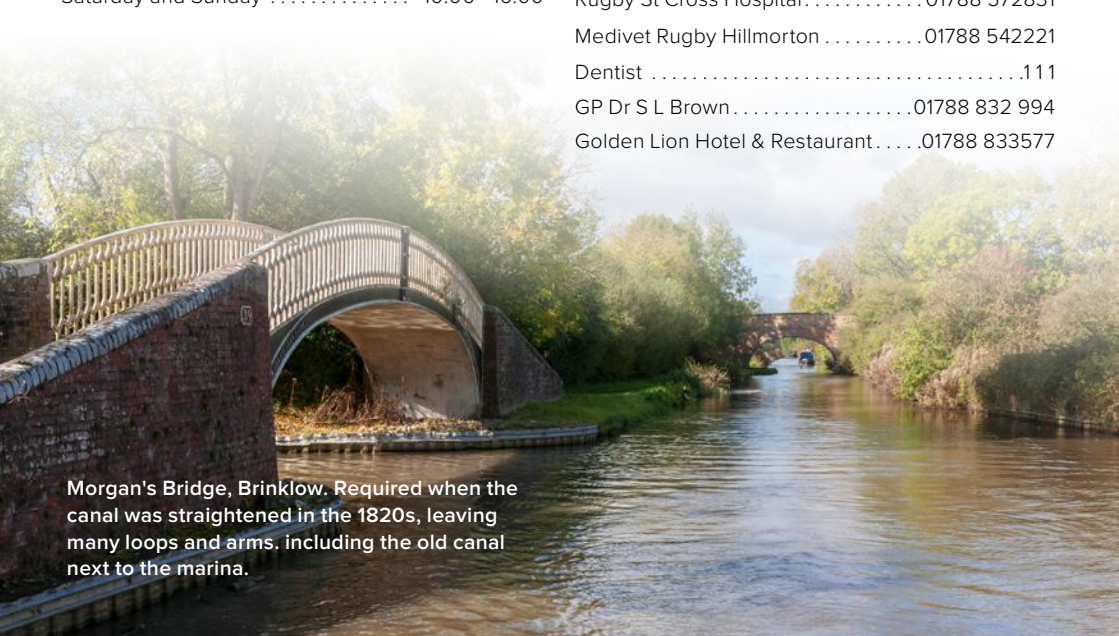
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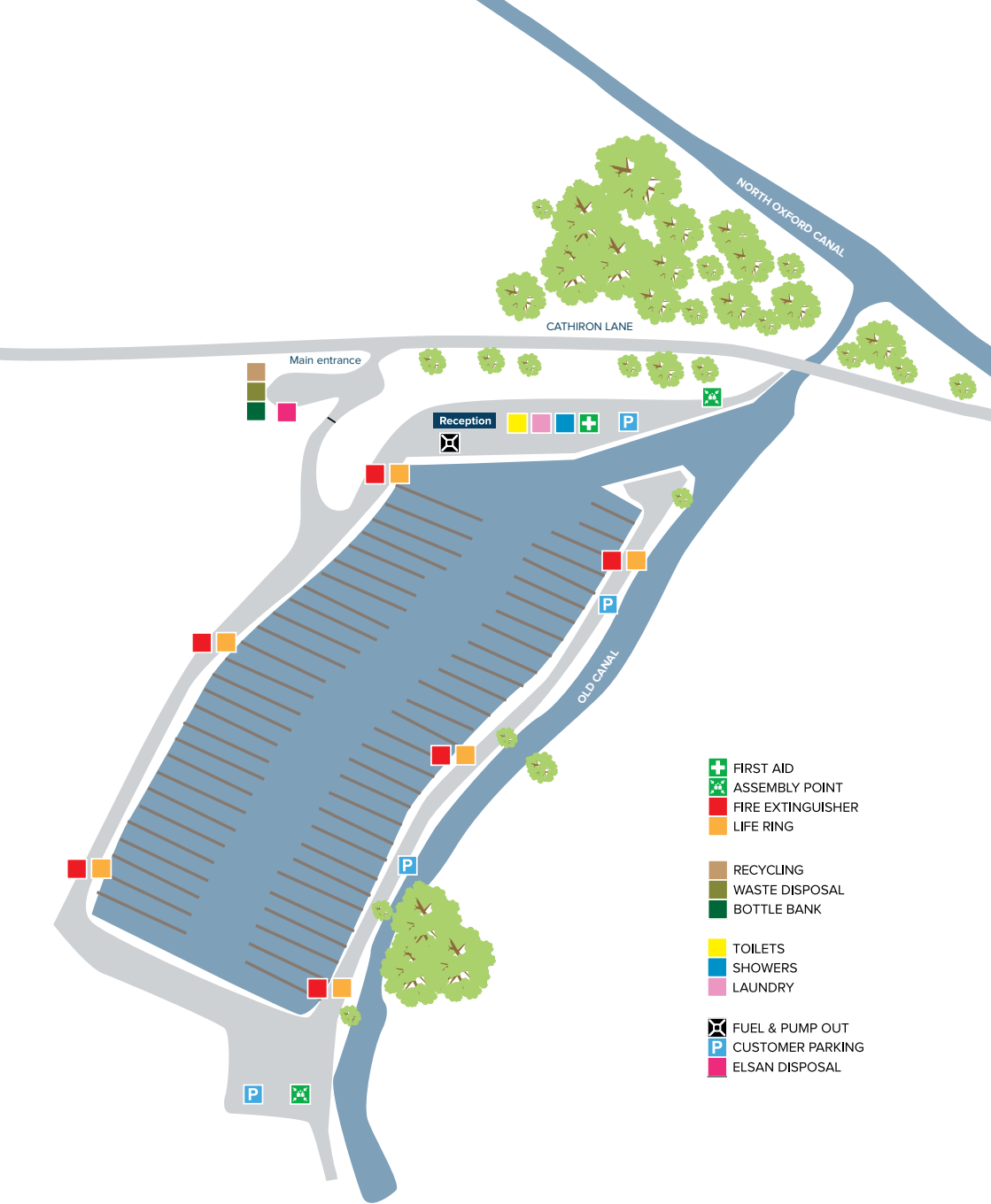
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### OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday .....09:00 - 17:00  
Saturday and Sunday ..... 10:00 - 16:00

Morgan's Bridge, Brinklow. Required when the canal was straightened in the 1820s, leaving many loops and arms. including the old canal next to the marina.





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- CUSTOMER PARKING
- ELSAN DISPOSAL

FOR CRUISING ROUTES FROM BRINKLOW – SEE PAGE 16



## IN AND AROUND THE MARINAS

**At Castle Marinas our primary function is to offer safe, secure and enjoyable boating to all our customers. In this respect, we would like to draw your attention to the following – for your own safety, comfort and that of the other marina users.**

### EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

**In the event of an emergency, please contact the marina office or duty Harbourmasters immediately. You may want to make a note of the out of hours number. There is a duty Harbourmaster on site 7 days a week and contactable for emergencies 24/7.**

**Life rings and extinguishers are located around the Marina. There is a first aid station at the Marina Office.**

### HEALTH & SAFETY

Pontoons are slippery when wet or icy. Please take care and wear suitable footwear. Please also take extra care at night and in strong winds. Cluttering pontoons and walkways is also hazardous.

Children should be supervised at all times on the marina and must not ride in the trollies. Life jackets are advisable.

We also welcome dogs but expect you to supervise and clean up after them.

### FACILITIES & LAUNDRY

We check the facilities every day and our cleaners endeavour to keep them spotless. Please leave them as you find them and turn lights off as you leave. Report any issues to the Marina Office.

Tokens and access codes are available at the Marina Office at each site.

### CONTRACTORS

All contractors must report to the Marina Office upon arrival and show proof of public liability of not less than £3million.

The marina reserves the right to refuse access if the paperwork is not provided. Keys must be signed in and out of the Marina Office only under instruction from the boat owner.

### DAMAGE TO THE MARINA

Our staff are there to help you. If you doubt your ability to manoeuvre your boat in the prevailing conditions do alert the Harbourmasters who will be happy to assist. Any damage to pontoons, facilities or boats should be reported to the Harbourmasters immediately.

Please do not allow oil contaminated bilge effluent to be discharged into the marina. Be aware that hot central heating and engine exhausts can scorch wooden pontoons.

### CARS IN THE MARINA

Please observe the marina speed limits (and one way systems where applicable), be aware of pedestrians, cyclists and wildlife. We provide parking areas around our sites to allow easy access to boats. If you are away for an extended cruising period, please park in the main car parks.

For Wigrams, please ask at the marina office where to park during these periods.

### PUMP OUT, DIESEL, BOTTLED GAS & FUEL

Please check the marina layout plan for the location of these facilities. The Marina Office can provide you with opening hours and the best positioning of your boat.

We ask that all our customers are considerate to the other marina users when taking on fuel. Smoking is strictly prohibited in these areas.

### NOISE

Please respect other occupants of the marina, especially when operating machinery and musical apparatus so as not to create a nuisance.

### WASTE DISPOSAL

Please help to keep the marina clean and tidy by using the refuse disposal and recycling facilities correctly and disposing of any large and/or unsuitable items at local tip.

### EXTENDED CRUISING

Please advise the Marina Office if you intend to be away for extended periods. Informing us of your movements will help with the security of the marina and your boat.

**Rules and Regulations are available upon request and can also be found on [castlemarinas.co.uk](http://castlemarinas.co.uk)**



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