

# NAVIGATION ADVISORY NOTICE

## Section 12 Anglian Water Authority Act 1977



### RIVER STOUR

**DATE:**                    **Until Further Notice**

**LOCATION:**            **See Below**

#### **DETAILS:**

Please note we have received a number of reports following the storms and high winds earlier this year of a number of fallen trees and overgrown areas that represent a navigation hazard on the River Stour Navigation and where debris has built up around these obstructions. We are working with external contractors and external parties to address these reports and undertake tree works and vegetation clearance where required, as access to some sites is proving difficult and some access will be via the river this work is taking time to plan so that it can be carried out as safely as possible. In the meantime river users are advised of these obstructions, some causing restriction and partial obstruction whilst a minority are completely blocking the river. River users should exercise extreme caution and take extra care when navigating the River Stour in the reaches listed below and not proceed if any doubt. Progressing down river those areas / reaches known to be affected are:

- 1) Lamarsh / Dawes Hall Reach (report of a fallen tree that has also caused local bank damage, representing a navigation hazard)
- 2) Pitmire reach (Downstream of weir, left hand navigation channel overgrown and obstruction of watercourse causing the gathering of debris blocking the watercourse and the right hand channel, via the old lock chamber has underwater hazards and obstructions from the old lock structure)
- 3) Wiston reach (several reports of trees down and obstructions/debris in the watercourse as a result above and below Wiston Weir)
- 4) Nayland reach, (downstream reach of weir, overgrown / fallen trees creating partial obstruction and representing a navigation hazard)
- 5) Stratford St Mary reach, (partial obstruction, upstream side of the weir and old lock, debris gathered behind obstruction making passage difficult and representing a navigation hazard)

**River users are requested to report any further hazards that are not listed above via our incident reporting line any time on 0800 80 70 60.**

**The Environment Agency apologises for any inconvenience caused.**

Irven Forbes, Waterways Manager

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