# **Boaters' Guides - beta version**

#### Welcome

Welcome to the beta version of Waterscape.com's Boaters' Guides.

These new guides list facilities across the British Waterways' network in England and Wales.

The guides are completely computer-generated. All the information is held in a central database. Whenever you download a guide from Waterscape.com, it will take the very latest information and compile a 'fresh' PDF for you.

The same information is used in the maps on Waterscape.com itself, to ensure consistency. It will be regularly updated by local staff whenever details change.

We would like to hear your comments and corrections on the information contained within. Please send your feedback to boatersguide@britishwaterways.co.uk.

# About the maps

The maps are automatically generated by computer. The only human involvement is to set the bounds of each map.

We are continuing to teach the computer how best to draw the maps, and will be making further improvements in the months ahead. If you would like to comment on the maps or any other aspect of the presentation, please contact feedback@waterscape.com.

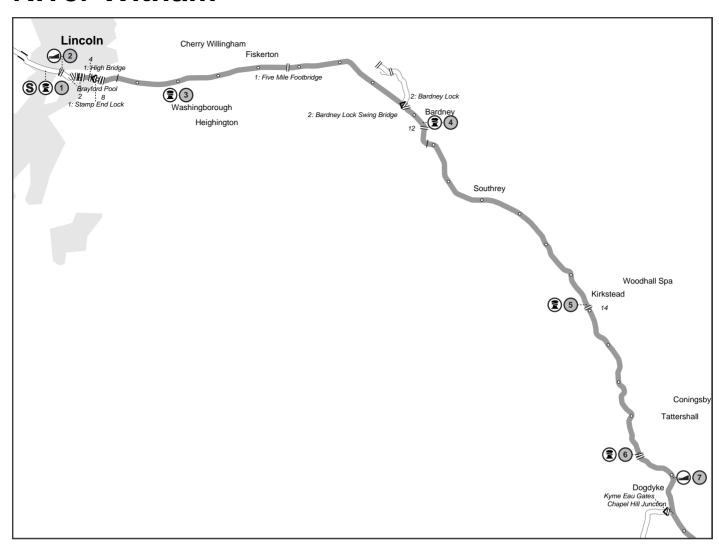
## Thank you

This is the first time this information has been collected nationally, and the technology we are using to ensure up-to-date information breaks a lot of new ground. We do expect there will be some omissions, and would very much like to hear from you.

#### Key to facilities

- (e) Winding hole (length specified)
- Winding hole (full length)
- Visitor mooring
- information and office
- Dock and/or slipway
- Slipway only
- Services and facilities
- Water point only

# **River Witham**



## **Navigation notes**

## River Witham

Length 75ft (22.8m). Beam 15ft 3in (4.6m). Headroom 9ft 2in (2.7m). Draught 5ft (1.5m). Passage of craft over 72ft through Stamp End Lock is limited to 2ft 6in draught by the depth of the top cill.

Boston Grand Sluice is 54ft long, but longer craft can pass through when the tide makes a level. Draught is 5ft at the top of the cill.

## Opening times

#### River Witham

**Boston Lock**: (14 Jul 06 until further notice): For Boston Lock operating hours, visit http://www.waterscape.com/river\_witham/boating.

#### Stoppages and restrictions

### River Witham

Stamp End Lock - Bardney: Advice (25 Jun 07-30 Sep 07): Contractors will be using a boat to apply herbicides to the bankside in order to remove woody nightshade plants. The application will take place in the following periods: w/c 25th June: Torksey Lock to Brayford Pool August: Stamp End Lock to Bardney September: Torksey Lock to Brayford Pool In each case works are expected to take 2 days and will not affect use of the navigation.

Boaters are requested to take care when passing the craft. Contact: 01636 704481

# Locks and bridges

#### Fossdyke Navigation

**Brayford Pool:** Traffic light system on Brayford Pool to warn of strong current, please observe light sequence as identified on the adjacent signs.

## River Witham

**Bridge 1, High Bridge:** Narrow, low bridge (also known as the 'Glory Hole'). Air draft 9ft 2in over central 8ft span.

**Lock 1, Stamp End Lock:** BW key required. Guillotine lock

**Bridge 1, Five Mile Footbridge:** gives access for cyclists to cycleway

**Bridge 2, Bardney Lock Swing Bridge:** This bridge provides farm access and is usually open.

## (S) Services and facilities

# Fossdyke Navigation

**1 Lincoln:** Water, Elsan disposal, toilet, shower. BW key required. Card type: Ampy.

# (2) Visitor moorings

#### Fossdyke Navigation

1 Lincoln: Maximum 24hrs. Total 50 metres.

# River Witham

- **3 Washingborough:** Maximum 24hrs. Total 60 metres.
- **4 Bardney Village:** Maximum 24hrs. Total 60 metres.
- **5 Kirkstead Bridge:** Maximum 24hrs. Total 60 metres.
- 6 Tattershall: Maximum 24hrs. Total 60 metres

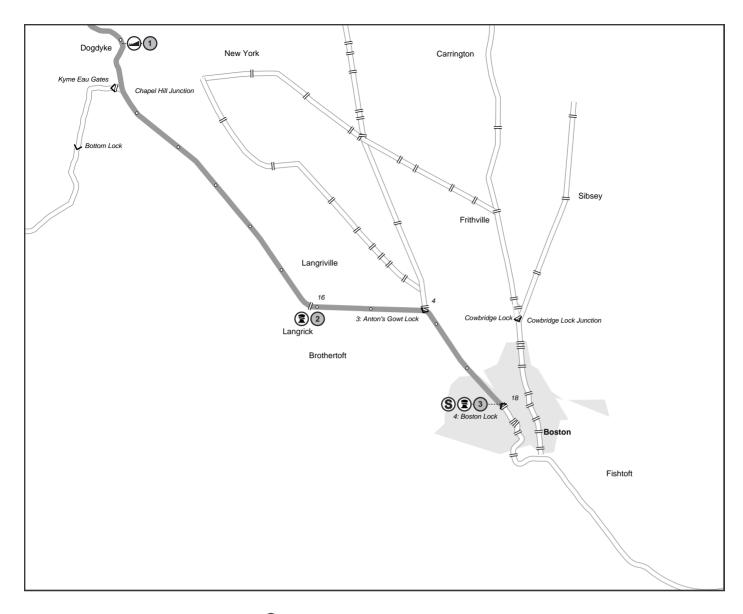
## Slipways and docks

## Fossdyke Navigation

**2 Lincoln Marina:** Slipway. Phone marina to book (01522 526896).

## River Witham

**7 Belle Isle Marina:** Slipway. Phone Marina to Book



# Locks and bridges

# River Witham

Lock 4, Boston Lock: Keeper-operated. Last lock before the tidal Wash - 24 hours notice required for locking. Call lock keeper for advice and regulatory information. Mooring restrictions November - April. Tel: 01205 364 864; mob: 07712 010 920.

## Witham Navigable Drains

Lock 3, Anton's Gowt Lock: Access to Witham Navigable Drains: further information from Upper Witham Drainage Board. No access November to April.

# S Services and facilities

## River Witham

**Boston Lock:** Water, toilet, shower. BW key required. Card type: Ampy.

# Visitor moorings

# River Witham

**2** Langrick Bridge: Maximum 24hrs. Total 55 metres.

**3 Boston Lock:** Maximum 24hrs. Total 100 metres.

# Slipways and docks

# River Witham

1 Belle Isle Marina: Slipway. Phone Marina to Book