

**For the Attention of all Moorers at Hawne Basin
and Members of Coombeswood Canal Trust**

COVID – 19 Notice

Update 24th March 2020

As Government guidelines have tightened and the vulnerability of the community at Hawne Basin has to be considered, the Trust needs to act accordingly.

We could ignore the guidelines, believe it's a conspiracy theory or decide its best just to get infected and move on. All would-be high-risk strategies potentially resulting in the death of another party. It would certainly expose the Trust and its directors to litigation.

Our only sensible option is to follow government guidance to the best of our abilities.

In addition to closing the Social Club, no group visits to the Basin, cancelling the first DOE trip, all work parties suspended and the Trading Company suspending sales through the gate, it is now thought best to lock up the cabin and turn off the heating.

Leisure Moorers and Members of Coombeswood Canal Trust should still avoid unnecessary visits to the Basin and should definitely avoid any contact with shared facilities at the Basin (ie. toilets, showers, laundry, Elsan and boat service point).

Visiting your own boat is not prohibited, but we would ask you to go straight to your boat avoiding any unnecessary contact with the residents of the Basin and no longer stay on your boat overnight (thus eliminating the need to use shared facilities). We are not looking to victimise or evict the few leisure moorers who

have already written to the Governing Council for permission to extend their stay due to personal difficulties.

The situation around the country continues to deteriorate and unfortunately a few of our Members / Moorers do not recognise this nor understand how serious their actions could be for others.

No task at the basin is so important it overrides the requirement to observe government guidelines.

Both the main Caravan & Motorhome clubs have closed all their sites until at least the end of June. We shall be falling in line with this by not permitting any visitor moorings until at least the end of June.

We shall continue to monitor Government Recommendations and revise actions accordingly

On behalf of the Governing Council through majority decision.