

Management plan for Camp Marsden

Land Adjacent Lock 38, off Marsden Lane, Marsden, HD7 6AF



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1.0 Introduction

This statement in support of the application has been prepared to address the consultee responses received to the application.

In order to facilitate the smooth operation and minimise the impact on the surrounding land and neighbours, this plan will form the basis of all on-site operations, which will be sent to all bookers at point of payment along with a site map, rules and receipt of payment.

2.0 Booking process

All bookings and payments will be taken via the online system, at which point, bookers will be given an option to select their time of arrival to enable a meet and greet to take place.

The times to choose from will be as follows:

Between 6pm and 9pm Monday – Friday

Between 10am and 9pm Saturday and Sunday

3.0 Bushcraft

Bushcraft will be appointment only and group organised around school curriculum times. The allocated times for bushcraft are as follows, this will avoid a concentration of vehicle movements, both with travel and parking:

10am – 3.30pm Monday – Friday

9am – 4pm Saturday and Sunday

4.0 Travel

All visitors will be encouraged to use sustainable travel options and details of trains and bus timetables will be accessible online. The preferred option of travel will be by foot or bicycle, clear routes will be shown via the road and canal networks to encourage these options.

All travel information will be available on the website and at time of booking. For those cycling to the site, secure locks and facilities will be available on arrival.

Subtle pathways will lead to area of interest and camping areas.

5.0 On-site rules and security

On-site parking will be allocated at the time of booking. A secure gated access system will be in place to prevent unauthorised entry.

Camp fires will not be permitted.

The use of radio and playing of music will not be permitted on site. Exceptions would have to be agreed with the management, such as on the weekend of Marsden Jazz Festival. The management will provide an out of hours contact number for any noise complaints.

A 24-hour managed call out will be in use, with the number to call clearly visible around the site and at all access points.

6.0 Ethos

The site ethos is one of living alongside nature, the canal and river amongst trees, animals and plant life.