

PORT OF FLEETWOOD

NOTICE to MARINERS 17 of 2023

Safe use of the Marine Slipway

Mariners are hereby advised that, the Marina Slipway was constructed to haul vessels out using a cradle and steam winch which are no longer in existence. The rails however still remain.

It does not have a very steep gradient to aid the launching and recovering vessels from road trailers. It has over the years been the site of several vessel demolition projects and whilst every care has been taken to clear any debris it is possible some debris remains at the foot or to the sides of the slip. The area to the sides is also very soft and unsuitable for vehicles.

The slip may be used by Marina customers at their own risk but they should first satisfy themselves that there is sufficient depth of water to do so safely. The port accept no liability for any damage arising from the use of the slipway.

Access should only be between the concrete blocks at the top of the slip due to the ground either side being soft, a vehicle or trailer could easily get stuck.

To assist in assessing a safe depth of water, the two metal blocks on the slip have been painted yellow (See image below) if these are not submerged or at least level with the dock water it would be prudent to make alternative arrangements as attempts to launch or recover at low level may result in damage to the craft or injury to those involved.



Steve Hearn
Marine Manager
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Owners, Agents, Charterers, Fishermen and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.