

HERMITAGE LOCK IS OPEN

We are pleased to report that Hermitage Lock re-opened on Sunday 1st April 2007 as planned. The photograph below shows a boat leaving the lock on the tidal side heading for St Ives and also the new control building, traffic lights and landscaping.



The lock is open and work on site is about 90% complete, however our Contractors will still be on site for the next three weeks finishing off the works in the Control Room (CCTV system), Shower Room (visitor Wet Room), control packs and final landscaping etc. The operating hours of the lock will remain as normal over the Easter period but during week commencing 16th April the lock will be closing at 4pm (instead of 7pm) to enable the final works and inspections to be completed.

Therefore, Hermitage Lock Opening Hours during April are as follows:

Monday 2 April to Sunday 15 April	0800 - 1900
Monday 16 April to Friday 20 April	0800 - 1600
Saturday 21 April onwards	0800 - 1900

If you require any further details please do not hesitate to contact the Waterways Team on 08708 506 506, visit our website at www.environment-agency.gov.uk or email us at enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk.

The Environment Agency apologises for any inconvenience this may cause.

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