

**POLICY RC8**

**PLANNING PERMISSION WILL NORMALLY BE GRANTED FOR CANAL BASED RECREATION FACILITIES PROVIDED THAT NEW BOAT BASES AND MOORINGS TOGETHER WITH FACILITIES INVOLVING SUBSTANTIAL NEW BUILDINGS ARE CLOSELY RELATED TO EXISTING SETTLEMENTS.**

- 9.28 The Canal system is an important source of water based recreation and it is likely that activities related to these will increase. It is important that recreation development does not destroy the amenity and nature conservation value of the canals. The District Council therefore considers that built facilities should be closely related to the existing settlements.
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