River and canal water contains a range of bacteria, viruses and micro-organisms, some of which may cause illness.

- Do not drink water from the river or canal;
- Avoid splashing water into your mouth;
- Wash your hands in clean tap or bottled water before eating;
- Cover cuts or abrasions with waterproof dressings;
- Avoid contact with water which is miscoloured or where there is foam, scum or algae;
- Be careful where there are areas of weed growth.

Water quality in the river and canal is regularly monitored.

*In the event of a pollution incident, please follow instructions on temporary safety notices that will be on display in affected areas.*

Water quality may vary. The drawing above is only a guide. Monitoring over a period of time shows the upper stretch of water at the Quay and Basin are more likely to be of poor quality.