

Shipping companies

Date : 14 September 2023

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Subject: Quay closures, Arnhem

Dear Sir, Madam,

Mooring facilities are provided along the Lower Rhine region in Arnhem from Nieuwe kade to Boterdijk. Your vessels regularly use these facilities.

Oncoming quay renovation

Work to strengthen the flood defences along Boterdijk and Rijnkade in Arnhem is due to start in October 2023. This project is being implemented by the *Waterschap* (Water Board) in coordination with the Municipality of Arnhem. International developments and the war in Ukraine have brought about a new reality. The Municipality of Arnhem is responding to this by using six reception vessels to house refugees and displaced Ukrainians; these vessels are berthed at Nieuwe Kade.

Quay closed to shipping until the end of 2024

The Municipality of Arnhem is taking a number of measures to better ensure the safety of the residents and staff on board the reception vessels and to manage the work on Rijnkade.

This means that the quays between KMR 882.190 and KMR 883.970 will be closed and unavailable for mooring ships from 1 January 2024 to the end of 2024.

We have looked into whether there are any alternative options to facilitate cruise shipping elsewhere in Arnhem during the renovation of Rijnkade. Unfortunately, we have concluded that this is not the case. According to the current schedule for the Rijnkade renovation, space will be available again from the 2025 tourist season onwards. We will welcome cruise shipping again once the Rijnkade refurbishment has been completed. By that time, the work on the quay and all its facilities will have been completed and offer shore power, an attractive new layout and plenty of space for cruise shipping.

In the meantime, we will keep you updated on the scheduling of the work. We will also be happy to talk to you at a later date about how we can make Arnhem an even more attractive destination for both you and your passengers.

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If you have any operational questions, please contact the harbour master during office hours using the e-mail address haven@arnhem.nl or by calling +31 26 37 75 510.

For questions about the strengthening of Arnhem's Rijnkade dike, you can contact the Municipality of Arnhem's customer service team +31 26 377 46 81.

Thank you very much for your cooperation and understanding.

Sincerely,

On behalf of the Municipal Executive of Arnhem,

K. Vos

Port service coordinator