RUNCORN ROWING CLUB - Risk assessment during a Waterscape River Stoppage

The Senior Coach must consider the following and record the decision on this form:

Date.....Time ..... Proposed outing

Weather	Description	OK/ Not OK	**Crews**	Description	OK/ Not OK
Stream			Ability		
			Clothing		
Waves			Spare kit		
			Coxes		
Wind & Direction			Ability		
			Buoyancy Aid		
Precipitation			Spare Clothing		
			Launch & Coach		
Temperature			1st Aid Kit		
Boats			Thermal Blankets		
Riggers			Paddles		
Bow Ball			Phone or Radio		
Heel restraints			Spare Petrol		
Coxing position			Megaphone		
Hatch covers			Buoyancy Aid		

A briefing to all crews must be held and must include details of the stoppage notice e.g. High water; Strong flow; etc.
Instructions should be consistent and include:

- A caution whilst traversing the river at the first split
- An instruction not to stop until all boats are beyond the white sign upstream of the first split
- Directions that on the way past the first split stay nearer to the Runcorn bank than normal as you enter the stream at the first split (keeping an eye out for any other traffic adhering to the normal rules of navigation).

Other conditions that should be observed under a stoppage notice:

- No small boats
- No inexperienced coxes
- No boats alone; work only in groups.
- Consider only using the Weston Canal section (i.e. downstream towards the docks)

After consideration of the above the decision should be recorded below:

Revised outing plan

Briefing held to all crews Yes/No Any restrictions:

Signed.....Position .....Date Time