







**Builth Wells – Glasbury,**  
**December 2018 onwards**

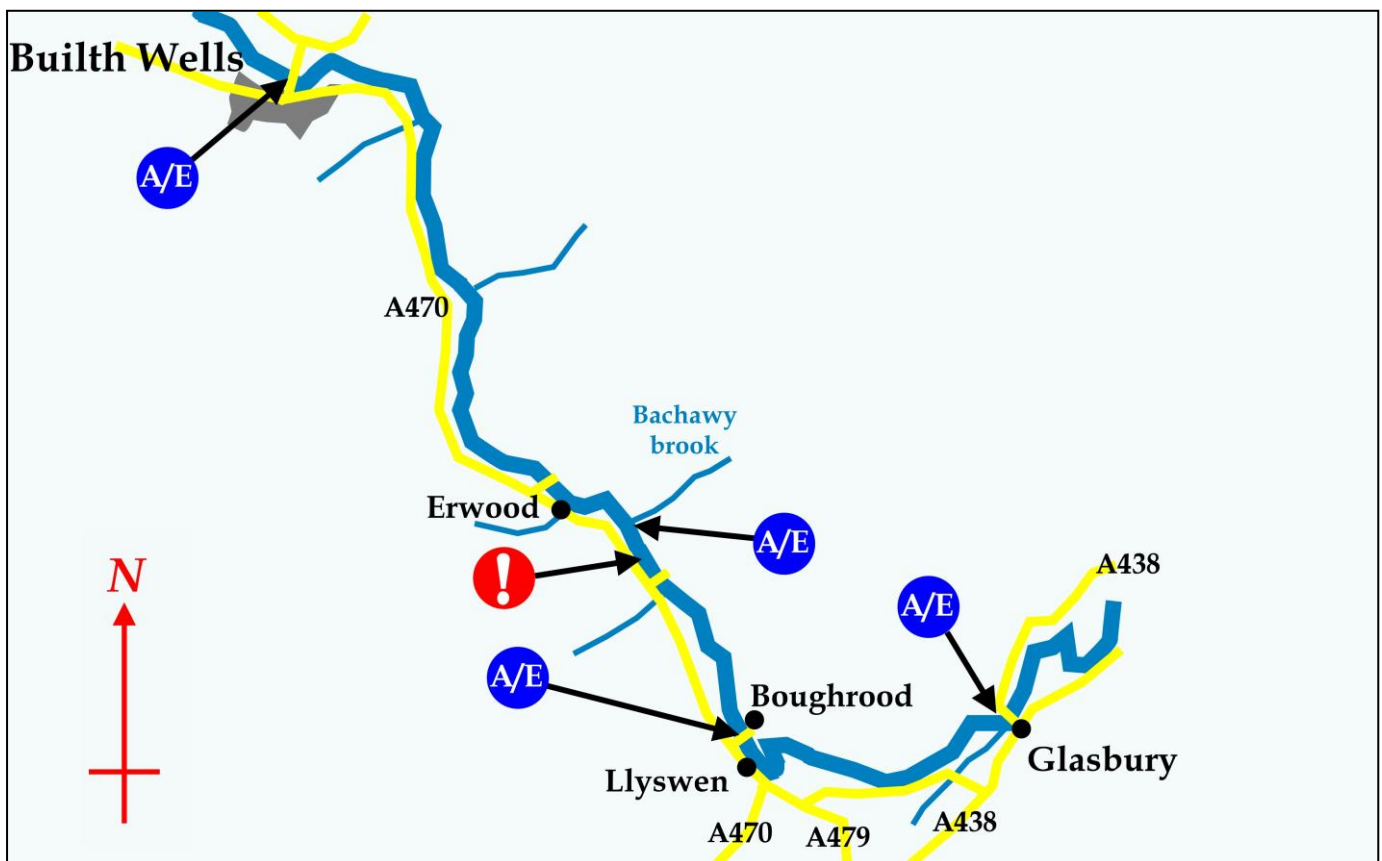
**Reach Length:**  
24.2 miles

**Terms and Conditions:**  
Canoeing can take place between 18<sup>th</sup>  
October and 15<sup>th</sup> March inclusive.

	Access		Parking
	Access/Exit		Unloading
	Exit		WARNING (See text for details)

In the event of high water outside this period, additional access is granted when the water height on the gauge at Erwood <http://www.wyeuskfoundation.org/conditions/gauge1.php> is above the red marker.

The general terms and conditions for upper Wye paddling described earlier always apply.



## **Builth Wells Access Point**

(map on p3)

### **Directions:**

Follow the Builth one-way system through the high street and round until you come to the Groe public car park on your left (entrance next to the Tourist Information Centre).

### **Unloading:**

The car park is a short distance to the egress point on the right bank above the bridge.

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## **Bachawy Brook Access/Exit Point**

(map on p3)

### **Directions, Unloading & Parking:**

From Builth Wells take the A470 south towards Brecon. After approximately 6 miles, turn left crossing the Wye over the Erwood Bridge (signposted to Aberedw and Painscastle). The road passes underneath another bridge before curving to the left. Take the next left (signposted to Boughrood & Llanstephan). After 1.3 miles the road crosses the Bachawy Brook via an old railway bridge. Immediately before this bridge there is a lay-by on your left. Park here and unload.

### **Accessing the water:**

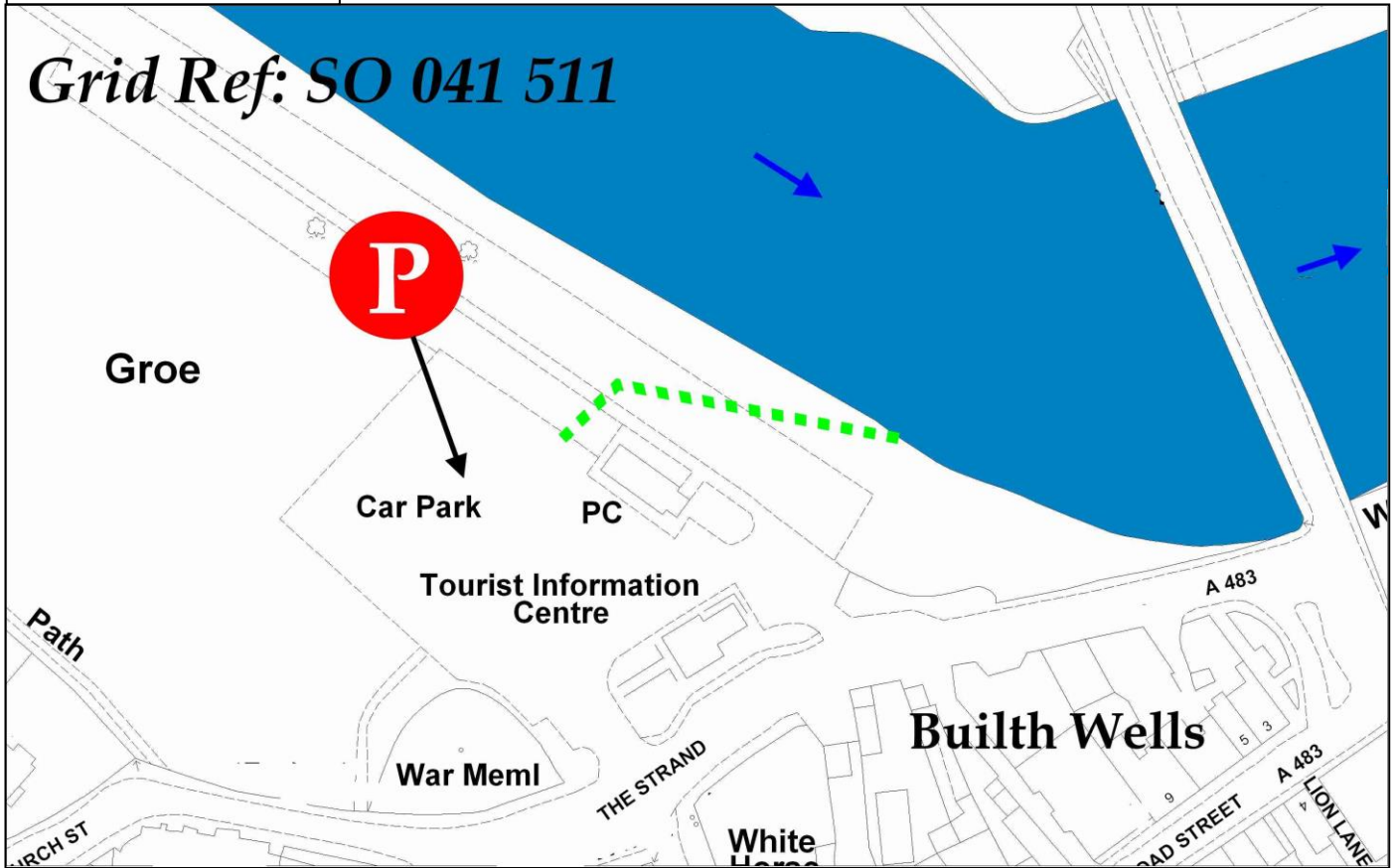
Using the path from the lay-by, walk down to the Bachawy Brook, crossing it via the small footbridge. Please note that this is a permissive path, not a right of way. On no account paddle down the Bachawy – there is a large watergate blocking your passage. Also, do not turn right and enter the fields before the bridge – you will see a large blue sign the other side of the footbridge – head for that.

Once over the footbridge, walk into the field through the gate, accessing the water downstream of the confluence.

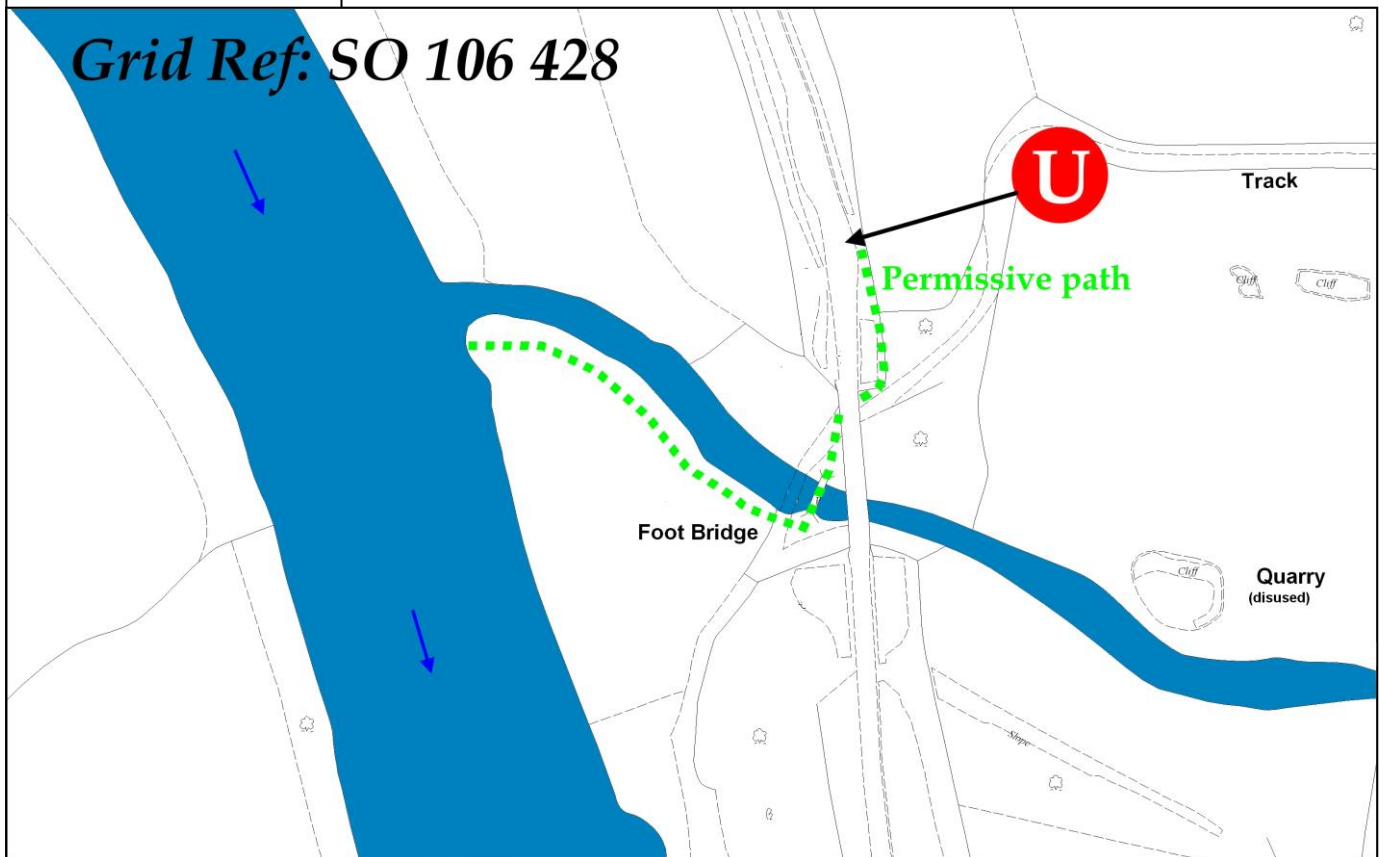
**Please do not land on riverbank or get out into the fields upstream of the Bachawy Brook.** We have had reports of paddlers accessing the river in the correct way then paddling upstream and getting out onto the riverbank upstream of the Bachawy. This is private property, the owners of which have given their permission to use the path from the layby down to the river. Further breaches of this risk the closure of this access point for all.

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Builth Wells access



Bachawy access



## Hell Hole (aka Heirag) Portage Point **WARNING!!!!**

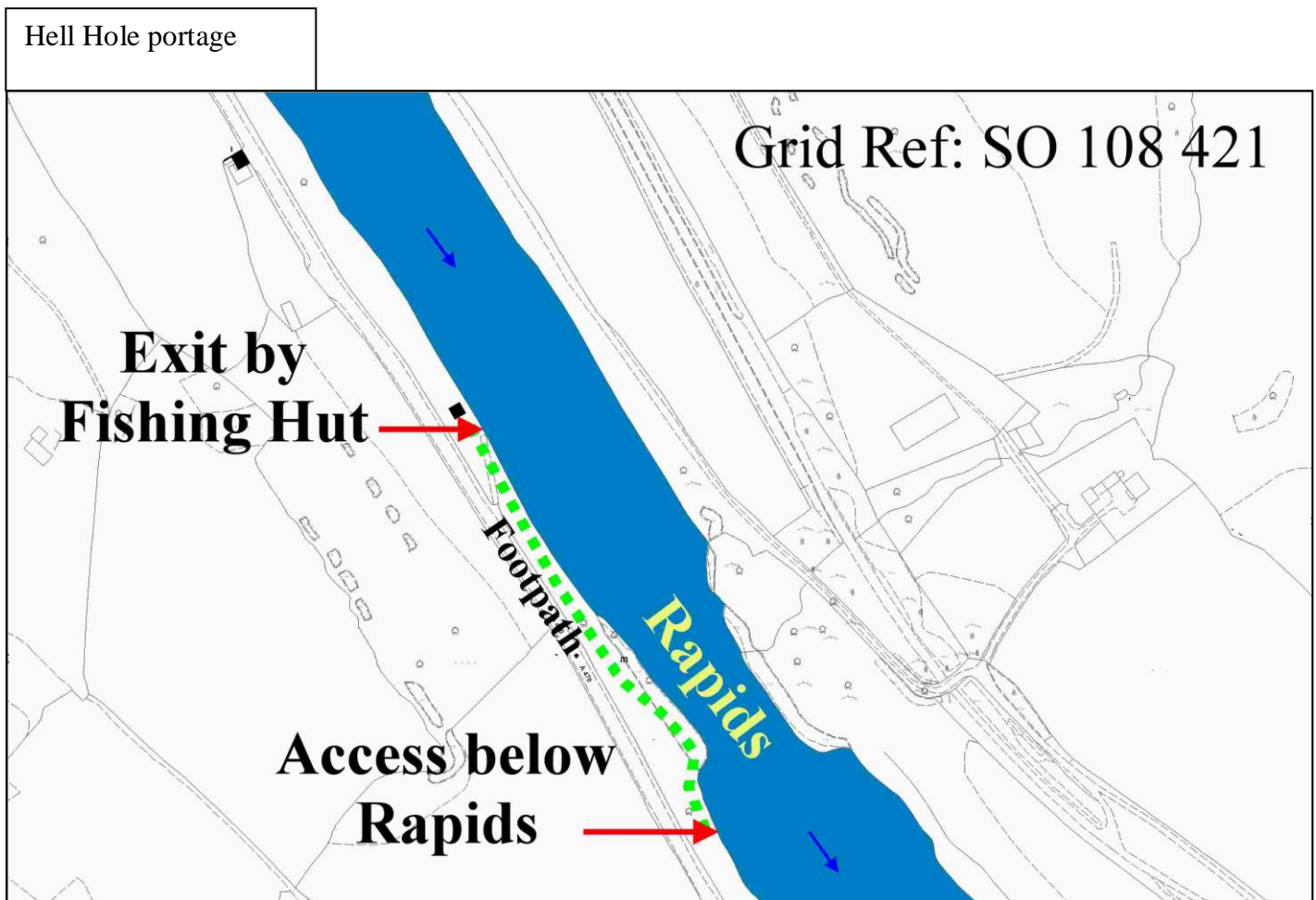


½ mile or so downstream of the Bachawy Access/Exit are a set of rapids and falls that will test novice canoeists. At the Heirag the river narrows and rushes through a small gully in the bedrock on the true right bank. Canoeists that wish to avoid it have the option of exiting the river and carrying their boat down a footpath, re-entering the water in the pool below.

**The consent is for downstream portage only and the pathway should not be used for taking crafts back upstream.** Organised and qualified groups may apply to use this section for training etc by [email](#).

### **Exit/Access:**

Get out just below the green fishing hut on the right bank. From there, carry your boat on the footpath along the river until you come to a pool below the rapids. Re-enter the river here.



## **Boughrood Access/Exit Point**

### **Directions, Unloading & Parking:**

From Builth take the A470 south towards Brecon. Drive through Erwood and on to Llyswen. As you enter the village take the first turning left just before the Bridge End Inn onto the B4350. The access & unloading point is on the lane to the left just before the bridge. **Please do not use the Primary School car park and do not, under any circumstances, block the entrance to the school.**

### **Accessing the water:**

From the lane, use the path down to the river's edge.

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## **Glasbury Exit Point**

### **Directions & Access:**

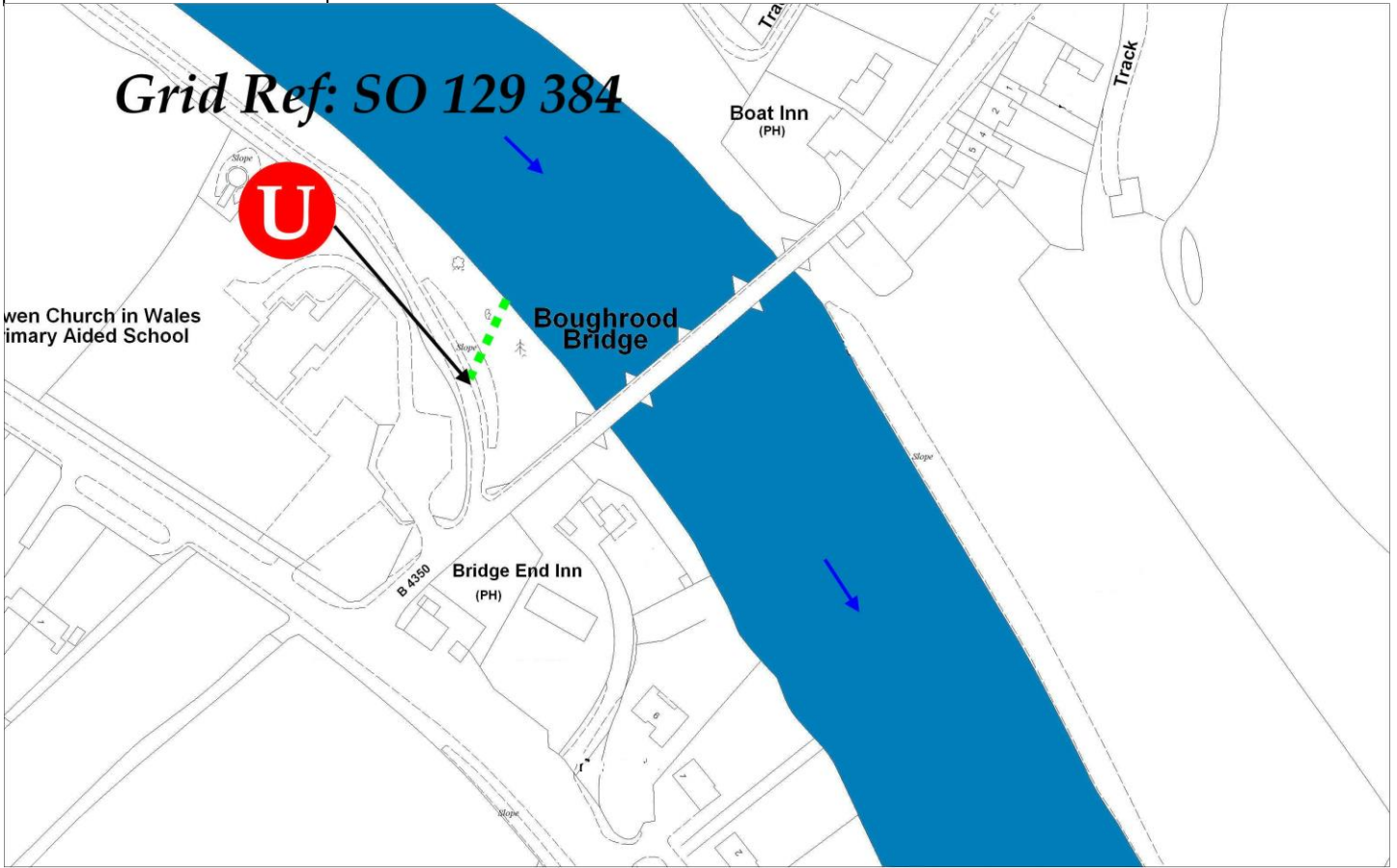
Glasbury is located on A438 in between Brecon and Hay on Wye. On the north side of the bridge at Glasbury is a small car park next to some Tourist Information boards and public toilets. Loading/Unloading is possible in the car park but canoeists are requested not to park here long-term.

### **Accessing the water:**

Access to the river is via a small gate next to the bridge.



Boughrood Access



Glasbury Access

