



2023 Notices to Mariners

Survey works off Straight Point

Number: 31/23. **Date:** 14 December 2023

Notice is hereby given that Gallifordtry on behalf of South West Water will be commencing a Horizontal Directional Drill HDD to install a new long sea outfall between Sandy Bay Car Park within Devon Cliffs Holiday Park, under Straight Point and a further 300 metres out to sea.

All Mariners are advised that the Survey Vessel, Nearshore Explorer will be undertaking MBES Survey operations ongoing throughout December 2023.

The works will comprise of non-invasive multibeam echo sounder surveys (MBES), crew transfer and diving operations. The marine activities are expected to commence on or around 19th December 2023 and will be completed by the 30th December 2023.

The Nearshore Explorer shall be travelling daily to the works site from Exmouth Harbour. The Survey zone for the works is identified in Table 1.

Table 1: Survey Locations

Direction	OSGB1936 - B G	LAT LON (DM.mmm)
NE	E 304006.727	LAT N050° 02.281
	N 79476.713	LON W006° 17.575
NW	E 303698.137	LAT N050° 02.2625
	N 79381.796	LON W006° 17.652
SE	E 304423.049	LAT N050° 02.2652
	N 78668.091	LON W006° 17.457

Direction	OSGB1936 - B G	LAT LON (DM.mmm)
SW	E 304132.719	LAT N050° 02.1258
	N 78523.8899	LON W006° 17.259

Schedule of Activities:

START DATE OF ACTIVITY: On or around 19 December 2023

TIMES OF OPERATION: 24 Hours per day when required

END DATE OF ACTIVITY: 30 December 2023

The exact start and finish dates will be dependent on the prevailing weather conditions and work progress.

Mariners are requested to remain where possible 500m from vessels and equipment. Fishing vessels are requested to pass at a safe speed and distance and remain outside of the survey area identified. During these works the Nearshore Explorer will have restricted manoeuvrability during the works (MBES). All vessels can be contacted on VHF 16 for further information as required reference proximity / nearby operations etc.

Vessel Details: Nearshore Explorer-Catermaran Length 7.4 Beam 2.4 Draft 0.5m
Gross Tonnage 0.82T

Call sign MDNG8 MMSI: 232016908 Telephone Contact Number: +44 (0) 7425 623 377 Email address: info@nearshoresurvey.co.uk

In the event of an emergency, please contact:

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Exe Power Boat & Ski Club Exmouth seafront motor boat rallies

Number: 30/23. **Date:** 13 December 2023

Notice is hereby given that Exe Power Boat & Ski Club will be running Exmouth seafront motor boat rallies on the following dates:

- Boxing Day, Tuesday 26 December 2023 - 11.00 hours to 15.00 hours

- New Year's Day, Monday 1 January 2024 - 11.00 hours to 15.00 hours

During the rally participants will be given dispensation from Byelaw 4 (**within the race area during racing times**). Byelaw 4: Do not exceed speed limit as defined by charts and buoyage: 10 Knots Max.

Prior to the start of each race the fleet will assemble to the prestart area of No 13 buoy when under the direction of the start boat the fleet will accelerate to high speed to the start line at No 12 buoy.

Each event will take place between No.12 Buoy (Mamhead Slipway, Exmouth) and Exe Safe Water Mark (Buoy marking the entrance to River Exe) within a four-hour time slot from 11:00hrs to 15:00hrs. Each event is provisionally arranged to start at 11:00hrs, but can be later, subject to tidal conditions, weather, or other circumstances. The anticipated time duration of each event is 45 minutes.

Guard Boats will be positioned both within and at the approaches of the course. VHF Marine Channel 6 will be the preferred communications in use. Mamhead Slipway will be the prime slipping facility in use for both events.

Both events will be under the control of Exe Power Boat & Ski Club. Details of the events are published on the Club's Website www.exmouthskiclub.com.

All vessels are advised to navigate with caution and to follow IRPCS collision regulations. Vessels not taking part are asked to keep clear of competitors within this area during this event.

Lateral Port Mark No 2 - light is extinguished

Number: 29/23. **Date:** 8 December 2023

Notice is hereby given that the light on Lateral Port Mark No 2 is extinguished.

The light will be reinstated as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate on the approaches and through the channel with caution.

Removal of Exmouth Approaches Tidal Prediction Station (50°36'N, 003°23'W).

Number: 28/23. **Date:** 5 December 2023

After a recent re-assessment of Chart Datum levels between Exmouth Dock and Exmouth Approaches, the UK Hydrographic Office has concluded that the level of Chart Datum at Exmouth Dock (1.83m below Ordnance Datum Newlyn) is the more appropriate datum to be used in the approaches to the River Exe than the Chart Datum at Exmouth Approaches (2.44m below Ordnance Datum Newlyn). This is because the former better reflects the influence that the River itself

has on water levels between the harbour entrance and the Safe Water Buoy (50 ° 35.903'N, 003 ° 23.458'W).

As such, the Exmouth Approaches tidal prediction station is soon to be deleted and will not be replaced. Details of that station will be removed from Admiralty Tide Tables in the near future and from Admiralty Chart 2290 at its next new edition in 2024.

Mariners should therefore use the values and times of the Exmouth Dock tidal station from now on when making their approach into the port from the Safe Water Buoy.

Lateral Starboard Mark No. 1 is off station

Number: 27/23. **Date:** 2 December 2023

Notice is given that Lateral Starboard Mark No. 1 (Light sequence FL(2)G.5s) is off station. The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution in this area.

Lateral Port Mark No. 2 is reinstated

Number: 26/23. **Date:** 7 November 2023

Notice is hereby given that Lateral Port Mark No. 2 (Light sequence FL(2)R.5s) is reinstated.

Local Notice to Mariners: 24/23 (relating to the above) has now been cancelled.

Hazards on the River and Exe Estuary Approaches

Number: 25/23. **Date:** 2 November 2023

Notice is hereby given that there may be a number of hazards on the river and approaches over the next few days as a result of Storm Ciarán. This may include a pontoon that has been washed away from Topsham.

If you see the above pontoon or a potential hazard to navigation please stay clear and inform the Harbour Office on 01395 223 265 or email: epa@exeter.gov.uk

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution over the next few days and in the event of an emergency to contact the emergency services.

Lateral Port Mark No. 2 is off station

Number: 24/23. **Date:** 18 October 2023

Notice is given that Lateral Port Mark No. 2 (Light sequence FL(2)R.5s) is off station. The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution in this area.

Lateral Port Mark No. 12 (Q.R) has been reinstated

Number: 23/23. **Date:** 4 October 2023

Notice is given that Lateral Port Mark No. 12 (Q.R) is reinstated.

The position is as follows:

- 50°36.931'N
- 003°25.416'W

Lateral Port Mark No. 12 (Q.R) is off station

Number: 22/23. **Date:** 1 October 2023

Notice is given that Lateral Port Mark No. 12 (Q.R) is off station. The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution in this area.

Notification of emergency Works at Dawlish Warren

Number: 21/23. **Date:** 9 September 2023

Please see the note below from the Environment Agency:

Recent storms have seriously damaged the relic groynes 17 and 18. There is a serious public safety issue as well as navigational issue: if the groynes fail further and fails it could fall on the public and/or become a navigation issue if it floats into the Exe channel.

Groyne 18: Lower section 15 king piles from end to rotten whaler have failed and starting to rotate due to loss of toe embedment.

Wash out around pile basis is continued on tidal cycles approximately 0.5m has been lost recently. This has become increasing eroded in the last 6 months and the

tail end is now becoming undermined, leading to the structure now rotating towards Exmouth.

Works will involve:

- Remove the last 15 king piles, associated whalers, fixings, and boards from Groyne 18
- All Horizontal planks to be removed on both G17 and the remainder of G18

Mariners are advised to navigate in this area with caution.

Exmouth Rowing Club Event - Orcombe Patrol 2023

Number: 20/23. **Date:** 31 August 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Exmouth Rowing Club will be holding a rowing event 'The Orcombe Patrol Regatta' on Saturday 9 September 2023. The event will start at 09.30 and finish at 15.15 with vessels starting and finishing by No 10 buoy. Vessels hope to be clear from the water by approximately 16.30.

Race course:

- Start and finish between No 10 Buoy (50°36.747N 003°24.800W)
- Racing to the Safe Water Mark (50°35.904'N 003°23.441'W) and a buoy North East of the Safe Water Mark (50°35.957'N 003°22.671'W)

VHF Channel 72 will be used by the race organisers on the day.

For further information contact Les Carol Mob: 07941998820

Email: les.carol1971@btinternet.com

Masters of vessels are requested to keep clear of the racing in this area during the event.

Sunken vessel on mooring number PC 668 has been recovered

Number: 19/23. **Date:** 9 August 2023

Please note that the Notice to Mariners number 18/23 is cancelled. The vessel has been recovered and returned to its mooring.

Sunken vessel on mooring number PC 668

Number: 18/23. **Date:** 7 August 2023

Mariners are advised that there is a sunken vessel on mooring number PC 668 in position:

- N 50° 37.431'
- W 003° 26.457'

All water users are to keep well clear of this wreck.

The vessel will be removed as soon as possible.

British Offshore Rowing and Beach Sprint Championships, 28, 29 and 30 July

Number: 17/23. **Date:** 25 July 2023

Mariners are advised that on the 28, 29 and 30 July the British Offshore Rowing Championships and Beach Sprint Championship will be held off Exmouth beach and approaches.

There will be a 4km and 6 km course – both of which will have a beach start unless the weather preclude this, in which case they will start from the same place in which they finish.

Please refer to the [course maps on the British Rowing website](#).

Approximate timings:

Friday 28 July

- 10:00 Captains briefing
- 11:00 racing begins
- 18:00 Course closes

Saturday 29th July

- 08:00 Captains briefing
- 09:00 racing begins
- 12:00 Final race

British Rowing Beach Sprint Championships, 29 and 30 July 2023

Competitors will race approximately 250 metres out from shore just west of the RNLI station.

Saturday 29 July

- 14:00 Captains briefing
- 15:00 Racing begins
- 17:30 End of racing

Sunday 30 July

- 08:30 Captains briefing
- 09:00 Racing begins
- 14:30 End of racing

Further contact on the day - VHF channel 8 for Exmouth Rowing Club.

Vessels are asked to keep clear of rowing boats racing within this area during these events.

Removal of Hazzard South East of Exe Safe Water Mark

Number: 16/23. **Date:** 4 July 2023

Mariners are advised that the hazard that was last recorded at the position below has now been removed.

- 50°35.817'N
- 003°23.256'W

Local Notice to Mariners: 15/23 (relating to the above) has now been cancelled

Hazzard South East of Exe Safe Water Mark

Number: 15/23. **Date:** 2 July 2023

Notice is hereby given that a yacht lost its mast overboard at 2pm today just south east of the Exe Safe Water mark.

The Skipper of the vessel cut the mast and rigging free of the vessel with and an orange buoy attached to the hazard.

The last recorded position of the hazard was:

- 50°35.817'N
- 003°23.256'W

Mariners are advised to navigate in this area with caution.

Exmouth Gig Club Regatta 25 June 2023

Number: 14/23. **Date:** 13 June 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Exmouth Gig Club Regatta will be held on the 25th June 2023.

Start time: 09.00. Finish time: 16.45.

The start line will be situated between the safe watermark and a start boat.

The finish line will be between the red port lateral buoy number 10 and the chequered flag outside NCI Exmouth. Approximately twelve boats will be attending.

Masters of vessels are requested to keep clear of the racing in this area during this event.

Lateral Starboard Mark No.19 has been repositioned

Number: 13/23. **Date:** 6 June 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Lateral Starboard Mark No.19 has been repositioned. The new position is as follows:

- 50°37.491'N
- 003°26.188'W

Exe Safe Water Mark

Number: 12/23. **Date:** 11 May 2023

Notice is hereby given that the light on Exe Safe Water Mark is reinstated.

Local Notice to Mariners: 11/23 has now been cancelled.

Lateral Port Mark No.2

Notice is hereby given that the light on Lateral Port Mark No. 2 is reinstated.

Local Notice to Mariners: 6/23 has now been cancelled.

Exe Safe Water Mark light is extinguished

Number: 11/23. **Date:** 6 May 2023

Notice is hereby given that the light on the Safe Water Mark has been reported as extinguished.

The light will be reinstated as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate on the approaches and through the channel with caution.

Exmouth Rowing Club Event - Saturday 15 April

Number: 10/23. **Date:** 6 April 2023

Exmouth Rowing Club will be running the Langstone Approach race on Saturday 15 April from Exmouth beach.

The event will include a 6K and 4K race track using the main navigation channel south of no10 buoy as far as the Safe Water buoy, thence turning to the southwest where two further temporary turning marks will be laid.

The event will start at 10.00 hrs, and will finish the same afternoon.

Mariners are advised to keep well clear of all competing rowing boats which may alter course suddenly and be aware of race officials afloat.

Topsham Ferry causeway on the Topsham side of the River Exe

Number: 09/23. **Date:** 28 March 2023

A three metre by one metre fibreglass non slip tread panel is missing from the lower end of the Topsham ferry causeway due to water run off damage to fittings.

The missing panel is below the Topsham ferry safe operating area therefore there is no impact to ferry operations.

Vessels of any kind should not attempt to use the causeway to load / discharge passengers or in a zone six metres from the end of the causeway.

The missing panel will be marked by a red buoy with "Keep Away" painted on it.

Dredging Operations at Exmouth Marina

Number: 08/23. **Date:** 17 March 2023

Notice is hereby given that dredging will be taking place at Exmouth Marina from the 20th of March 2023 for a period of no longer than three weeks. The vessel The

Mannin will be operating from 08.00 until 18.00 and will be moving between Exmouth Marina and the disposal site in Lyme Bay position:

- 50°31.30'N
- 003°21.50'W

Vessels are asked to proceed with caution and vessels wishing to transit through the marina must contact Exmouth Marina on VHF Channel 14 or telephone: 09780 798644.

Lateral Port Mark No.12 has been repositioned

Number: 07/23. **Date:** 6 March 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Lateral Port Mark No.12 has been repositioned. The new position is as follows:

- 50°36.931'N
- 003°25.416'W

Lateral Port Mark No.2 light is extinguished

Number: 06/23. **Date:** 23 February 2023

Notice is hereby given that the light on Lateral Port Mark No. 2 has been reported as extinguished.

The light will be reinstated as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate through the channel with caution.

Lateral Port Mark No.2 reinstated

Number: 05/23. **Date:** 15 February 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Lateral Port Mark No 2 is back on station at the following position:

- 50°36.094'N
- 003°23.581'W

Local Notice to Mariners: 34/22 has now been cancelled.

Lateral Port Mark No.12 has been repositioned

Notice is hereby given that the Lateral Port Mark No.12 has been repositioned. The new position is as follows:

- 50°36.913'N
- 003°25.414'W

Exe Safe Water Mark light is reinstated

Number: 04/23. **Date:** 30 January 2023

Notice is hereby given that the light on the Exe Safe Water Mark light is reinstated.

Local Notice to Mariners: 02/23 has now been cancelled.

Lateral Starboard Mark No. 5 light is reinstated.

Number: 03/23. **Date:** 30 January 2023

Notice is given that the light on Lateral Starboard Mark No. 5 is reinstated. The light had an intermittent fault. We will continue to monitor the light over the next few days.

Local Notice to Mariners: 01/23 has now been cancelled.

Exe Safe Water Mark light is extinguished

Number: 02/23. **Date:** 15 January 2023

Notice is hereby given that the light on Exe Safe Water Mark is extinguished. The light will be reinstated as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate at the entrance of the channel with caution.

Lateral Starboard Mark No. 5 light is extinguished

Number: 01/23. **Date:** 11 January 2023

Notice is given that the light on Lateral Starboard Mark No. 5 is extinguished. The light will be reinstated as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate through the channel with caution.

Lateral Port Mark No. 2 is off Station

Number: 034/22. **Date:** 18 December 2022

Notice is given that Lateral Port Mark No. 2 is off station. The buoy will be replaced as soon as possible.

Mariners are advised to navigate through the entrance to the channel with caution.