

NOTICE TO MARINERS

№7 – 2024

HEYSHAM HARBOUR

LINKSPAN №1 – USE AS A LAY-BY BERTH

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that notwithstanding the damage to the linkspan and fender №1, the Linkspan №1 berth may be used as a lay-by subject to the following conditions:

1. Vessels must always remain at least 5m from the linkspan pontoon.
2. Vessels must be manoeuvred onto and off the berth without making contact with fender №1 (the most westerly fender at the berth); this fender must not be used to *lean on* during manoeuvring.
3. Mooring plans must be reviewed to ensure that vessels can be safely secured alongside the berth, with particular emphasis on—
 - (a) the after-spring lines to prevent movement towards the linkspan pontoon, and
 - (b) the spread and balance of the fore and aft breast lines to prevent contact with fender №1.
4. Before vessels attempt to come alongside the berth, the planned manoeuvring and mooring operations must be risk assessed considering conditions 1 to 3.
5. If contact is made with the linkspan pontoon or fender №1 or both, a report must be made to Heysham Port Control (VHF Ch. 14) at the first opportunity.

This Notice will remain in force until further notice.