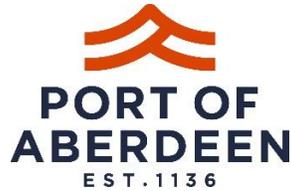


# Marine Safety Management System



## Local Notice to Mariners 18 / 2026

### Annual Maintenance Dredging Campaign

Notice is hereby given that the 2026 Annual Maintenance Dredging Works and Campaign is expected to commence with the arrival of the Trailing Suction Hopper Dredger (TSHD) 'Freeway' on the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2026.

The intended and planned dredging programme will include North Harbour and South Harbour Navigational Channels, as well as berths within both North and South Harbours.

The priority focus for the dredge will be River Dee and North Harbour Navigation Channel. River berths can expect disruption and clearance requirements; these will be advised in advance, as best as practicable, to berth operators by the VTS team.

'Freeway' is expected to operate continuously, including overnight, without downtime and will not break away from dredging until its hopper is full.

Stakeholders are therefore advised that vessel delays may occur to arrivals / departures / internal berth movements to efficiently facilitate the dredge operations.

Dredge material will be deposited at the predefined and designated sea deposit site which is located within the port limits to the South (see attached chartlet). Mariners are hereby requested to maintain a safe distance from this subject vessel whilst she is operating within this area.

Freeway will be supported by the dredging support vessel 'MTS Valour', for approximately 24 days. The 'MTS Valour' will work daily between the hours of 07:00hrs and 19:00hrs mobilising from Palmerston Quay.

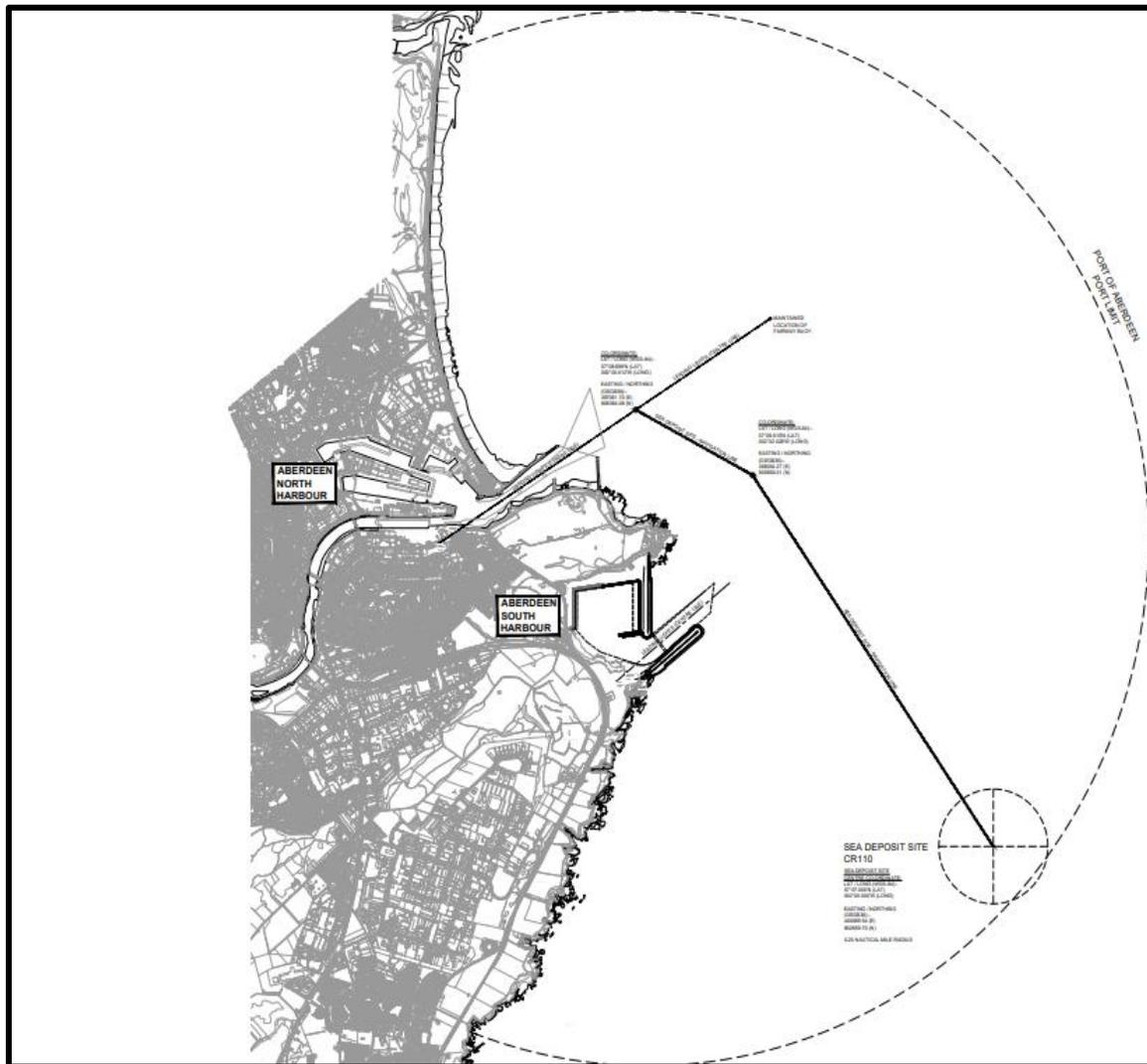
Mariners are advised to navigate with caution when manoeuvring within the vicinity of these aforementioned vessels.

This notice will remain in effect until the 2026 dredging programme and campaign has been fully completed, which is expected to be on or around 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

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