



Notice to Mariners

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Channel Deepening Dredging and Beneficial Placements: Wrabness Foreshore

From around the **18 November 2021**, for a period of about 3 days, the trailing hopper suction dredge **Sospan Dau** (IMO number: 7711062) will continue dredging in the main channel, but will move the disposal site from **Mersea Harbour** to the beneficial disposal scheme at **Wrabness**.

The dredging contractor is the **Boskalis Westminster / Van Oord Joint Venture** appointed by the Harwich Haven Authority to carry out the Harwich Haven Channel Deepening Project.

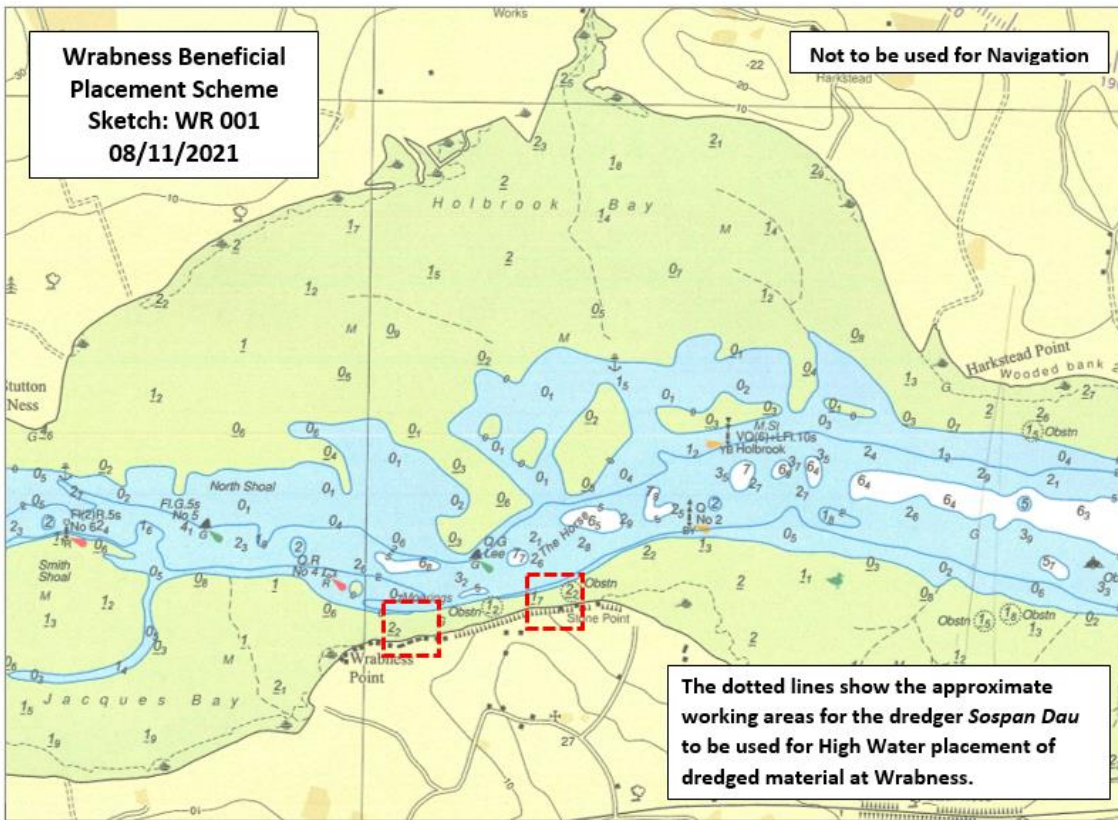
The dredge area is a section of the main channel known as area **C2** covering the whole width of the main channel and running from about 250m east of the Platters / Pitching Ground buoys to about 1,000m west of the same buoys.

Dredged material will be disposed of at two separate locations at Wrabness to reinforce the eroding foreshore. The dredger will dispose only at high water and be positioned as close to the disposal area as possible (see attached sketch **WR 001**). Disposal will be carried out on each high water (weather permitting), day and night, by direct pumping of material over the bow of the dredger.

Mariners are requested to keep clear of the equipment and the site of the placement works.

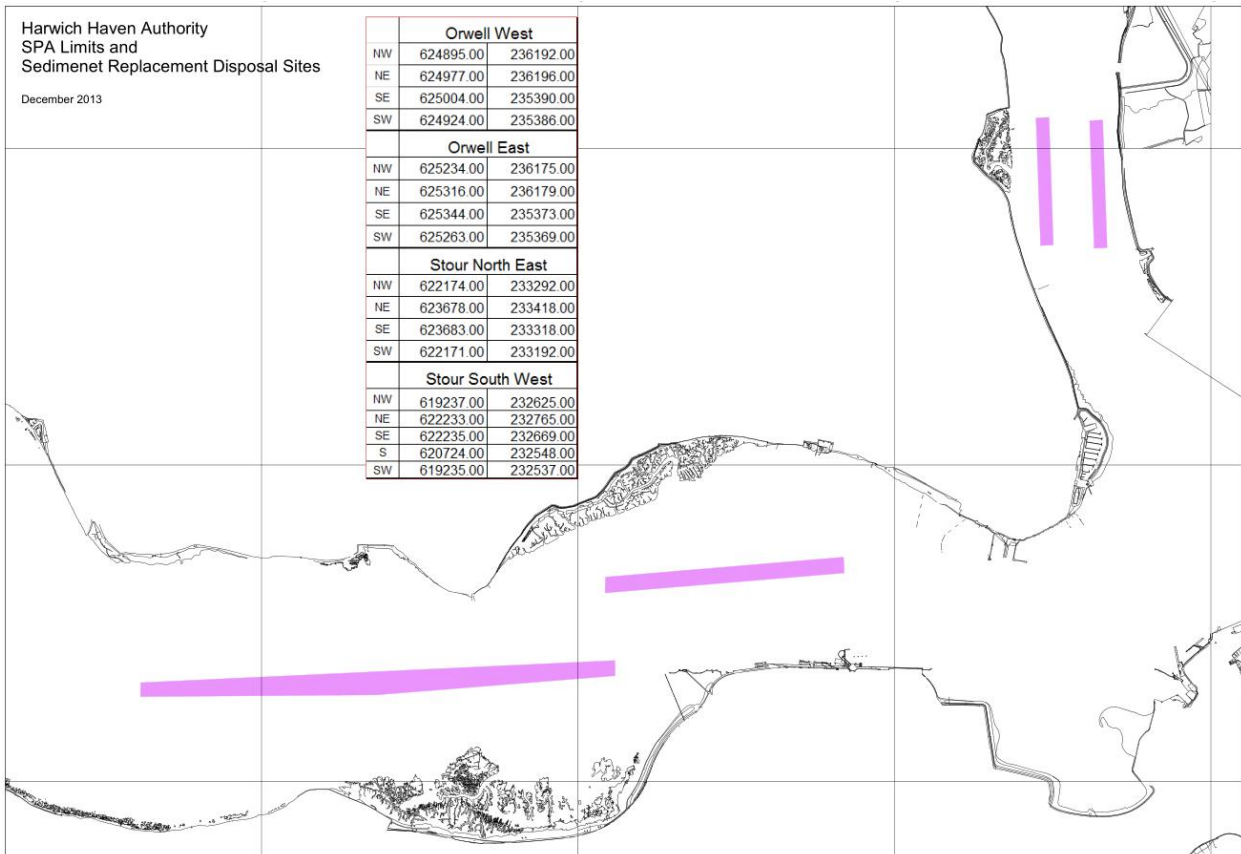
The dredging is covered by the MMO licence held by Harwich Haven Authority: **L/2020/00360/2**.

The disposal of material at Wrabness is covered by MMO licence held by Balhaven Ltd: **L/2020/00413/4**.



Maintenance Dredging & Beneficial Placements

From around the **22 November 2021**, for a period of about 3 days, the trailing hopper suction dredge **Sospan Dau** (IMO number: 7711062) will change dredging location and beneficial placement locations. The beneficial placement locations are identified below;



From around the **26 November 2021**, for a period of about 20 days, the trailing hopper suction dredge **Medway** (IMO number: 9524152) will commence maintenance dredging within the haven. It is expected that the Medway will use the Inner Gabbard disposal area.

From around the **22 November 2021** for a period of 25 days, the work boat **Forth Drummer** (IMO number: 9676917) will undertake plough dredging within the harbour.

From around the **17 November 2021** for a period of 28 days, the survey vessel **Porthos** (11m LOA) will be surveying within the haven.

Mariners are requested to keep clear of the equipment and the site of the placement works.

Detailed vessel movements can be obtained from Harwich VTS on VHF channel 71.

Captain M Dunn
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