

## **PORT OF SUNDERLAND**

### **NOTICE TO MARINERS**

#### **ENGLAND NORTH EAST COAST**

#### **NEW WEAR CROSSING – DIVING OPERATIONS**

**Ref. No. 15 of 2017**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** regarding the removal of the cofferdam surrounding the central bridge pylon, which will entail diving operations for approximately five weeks at the New River Wear Crossing site between Castletown and Pallion, Sunderland in approximate position Lat. 54° 55.015' N Long. 01° 25.431' W (OS Grid Ref NZ 370 581).

Diving works will commence on Saturday, 29th July, 2017, with the majority of diving being completed from within the cofferdam. Work will involve burning steel piles flush with the concrete base slab.

At all times while diving operations are being undertaken, the International Maritime “A” (Alpha) Signal Flag will be displayed.

The on-site work barge Claude Monique, safety boat Hesperus and dive supervisor may be contacted on Marine VHF Channel 14.

All vessels must give diving operations the widest berth possible commensurate with safe navigation and must pass at dead slow speed.

Additional information can be obtained from Local Port Services, Port Control, Sunderland, on 0191 514 2752 or Marine VHF Channel 14.

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Dated the 27th day of July, 2017.