

Mayor and Mayoress of Thurrock visit Port of Tilbury

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MAYOR AND MAYORESS OF THURROCK VISIT TILBURY FOR BRIEFING ON PORT'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

The Port of Tilbury, London's major port, welcomed Cllr Tunde Ojetola and Mrs Bunmi Ojetola - The Mayor and Mayoress of Thurrock - to the port to hear about the port's significant investment programme.

During a boat tour of the port, The Mayor and Mayoress were briefed on the ambitious investment programme in Tilbury by Peter Ward, Commercial Director, including the creation of a new 152-acre deep-water port terminal, Tilbury2, adjacent to the current port on the site of the old Tilbury Power Station. The dignitaries were also updated on the wide ranging portfolio of customer and tenant activity, and strengthening position as the number one UK port for forestry products, construction materials, paper, grain, recyclables and warehousing space.

The guests were briefed on the port's award-winning Training Academy, located within the port estate, and the priority that the port places on skills development of its current and future workforce. As a major employer in

Thurrock, they were also updated on the many community activities and organisations that the port support and engages with ranging from local sports clubs and schools, to the Orsett Show, Tilbury on the Thames Trust and the Riverside project.

Commenting on the visit **Peter Ward, Commercial Director of The Port of Tilbury** said: "*We were pleased to host the Mayor and Mayoress of Thurrock at Tilbury and it was a pleasure to brief them on our growth plans for the port and the important role we play in the community of Thurrock both as a major employer and as a supporter of many community activities.*"

Mayor of Thurrock, Cllr Tunde Ojetola said: "*It was wonderful to see the growth plans for the port. It plays an important part in our community and I am grateful to the Port of Tilbury.*"

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