

## **FORTH PORTS LIMITED**

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### **NOTICE TO MARINERS FIRTH OF FORTH**

#### **MARINE DEPARTMENT RESTRUCTURE**

Following on from the Port Management restructure at the end of 2018 and a review of resources available, a new Marine structure to better suit the needs of the business has been developed. The main changes are at the Harbour Master level and a move away from area specific to port specific roles. The changeover for these roles is the 22nd of July though there will be a period of overlap to cover holidays. The specific roles and responsibilities are explained in more detail in the following paragraphs.

#### **Ashley Nicholson – Senior Harbour Master**

Ashley will continue to be Harbour Master for the Port of Rosyth and the Fife Ports (excluding Methil) but will also take over as Harbour Master at Grangemouth. Ashley will continue to report to me on Marine issues and Derek Knox, Senior Port Manager, on Port related issues. Ashley will also be working closely with the Operations teams in both ports, providing input into the wider port function. On a separate note, congratulations to Ashley on her appointment as Vice President of the UK Harbour Masters Association. She will become President in summer of 2020.

#### **Alasdair Smith – Head of Marine Operations and Development**

Alasdair will be responsible for the Forth Estuary, excluding the Ports, but including the terminals of Hound Point, Braefoot and Crombie. Alasdair will also oversee the Cruise Anchorages and Newhaven. Alasdair will retain responsibility for Forth and Tay Navigation service. In addition to his operational role, Alasdair will also be involved in the commercial development of the Marine function, including development of Forth Estuary Towage, Marine Services, projects and marine business on the Forth Estuary, liaising with the relevant Port Harbour Masters where required. Alasdair will report directly to me.

#### **Ryan Porteous – Harbour Master**

Ryan will continue as Harbour Master for Dundee and Methil but will also take on the responsibility as Harbour Master at Leith. Ryan will report to me for Marine matters and David Webster, Senior Port Manager for Port issues, again aligning the Harbour Master with the Scottish Operation structure.

#### **Sean Anderson – Deputy Harbour Master**

Sean will continue in his role as Deputy Harbour Master for Grangemouth but along with Leanne Taylor will also have oversight of Rosyth and the Fife Ports (excluding Methil). This role will be port specific and will not include FTNS but will include emergency response planning for the department. Sean will report to Ashley Nicholson.

#### **Leanne Taylor – Deputy Harbour Master**

Leanne will continue as Deputy Harbour Master for Rosyth and the Fife ports reporting to Ashley but in addition will take over a more direct role overseeing the Marine element of all cruise activity on the Forth and Tay. On the cruise front, Leanne will report directly to me.

Both Leanne and Sean will have a degree of overlap on Grangemouth and Rosyth/Fife Ports issues. This will enable them to support each other during busy periods and provide cover as required.

**Scott Cameron – VTS Manager**

Scott will take over the management of the day-to-day operation of FTNS and maintenance of the SMS system. Scott will report directly to Alasdair Smith.

**Ryan McDonald – Marine Officer**

Ryan will assist Scott in the day-to-day operation of FTNS and will report directly to him.

**FTNS**

FTNS will take over full VTS responsibility for the Port of Leith. The Console Controllers will report on a day-to-day basis to Ryan Porteous, Harbour Master

All other roles and responsibilities will remain unchanged.

**Status of previously published notices:**

No 10, 41 and 45 of 2018

No 10, 13, 19, 21 and 22 of 2019 remain in force

**Alan McPherson**

**Chief Harbour Master**