

FORTH PORTS LIMITED

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NOTICE TO MARINERS FIRTH OF FORTH

Leith Vessel Movement Changes

Following restructuring and a review of operations within Leith, the management of vessel movements within the port will change. These changes will see the coordination and control of vessel movement's move from Leith Harbour on VHF channel 12 over to Forth and Tay Navigation (FTNS) using the call sign 'Forth Navigation' on VHF channel 71.

At present the management of vessel traffic transfers from FTNS to Leith Harbour at Leith Approach Buoy (LAB) for inbound vessels. This is then transferred back to FTNS, again at LAB for outbound vessels.

This change brings Leith in line with other ports within the Scottish Operation and once implemented will streamline the operation. VHF channel 12 and 'Leith Harbour' will continue to be used as the port channel for water orders, linesman and general port enquiries.

The Console Controller will now operate the locks from the lockside controls much the same as the current operation in Grangemouth, this will enable the Console Controller to monitor the vessels arriving and departing the locks.

VTS will actively monitor the radar, AIS, and CCTV for the port.

These changes will come in to effect at 0900, 2nd August 2019.

Your patience and cooperation is appreciated during the transition period.

Status of previously published notices:

No 10, 41 and 45 of 2018

No 10, 13, 19, 21, 23 of 2019 remain in force

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