

# NOTICE TO MARINERS

## No71 – 2023

### PORT OF LIVERPOOL

#### EASTHAM CHANNEL DREDGER PONTOON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, following initial dredger berthing trials, the position of the dredger pontoon situated off Bromborough on the western side of Eastham Channel has been amended.

The dredger pontoon *D33* is moored behind the E3–E5 buoy-line and connected to the offshore end of the dredging pipeline that runs to the Bromborough foreshore.

Two vertically disposed fixed green lights are displayed during the hours of darkness from the offshore side of each end of the *D33*. The positions of these lights are:

Northern End: 53° 20.7079' N 002° 57.8763' W

Southern End: 53° 20.6815' N 002° 57.8533' W

The pontoon's mooring anchors are positioned at:

Northern Anchor: 53° 20.7472' N 002° 57.9013' W

Southern Anchor: 53° 20.6217' N 002° 57.8269' W

The dredging pipeline is held in position by an anchor positioned at:

Pipeline Anchor: 53° 20.639' N 002° 57.821' W

Furthermore, the position of the pipeline anchor is indicated by a special mark buoy (a yellow pillar without a top mark), which is fitted a light with the characteristic of **Fl(2) Y. 5s.**

## **Dredging operations**

From time to time, a dredger will be secured alongside the *D33* to discharge dredged material ashore via the pipeline. Whilst alongside the *D33*, the dredger will maintain a listening watch on VHF Ch. 12 and 7.

Vessels must pass the *D33* at suitable distance and speed through the water to minimize the effects of wash and interaction on the pontoon, its moorings and any dredger that may be alongside.

This Notice replaces Notice to Mariners №35/2023, which has been withdrawn.