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NOTICE TO MARINERS

RIVER DEE ESTUARY AND APPROACHES

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This notice replaces LNtM No 11 2009 which is superseded.

Mostyn Channel and Harbour
Safe Speed

In determining a vessel's safe speed due regard must be made of the effects of the vessel's wake. It should be remembered that in shallow water at low tidal heights even a relatively small vessel can generate a large wake when travelling at speed.

In particular when approaching a fishing vessel or other small craft a vessel's speed should be reduced such that the wake generated is reduced to a minimum. This is in order to avoid swamping, causing damage to, or injuring a person aboard, the vessel being passed.

The drying banks to either side of the channel and the banks and shoreline adjacent to the harbour area are sensitive habitats supporting a diverse range of marine life that could be disturbed by a vessel's wake. When these banks are exposed a vessel should reduce speed in passing, in order to avoid any adverse impact on the integrity of these habitats.

You are referred also to 'The Merchant Shipping (Distress Signals and Prevention of Collision) Regulations 1996, Rule 6- Safe Speed'.

IF REQUIRED, COPIES OF THESE NOTICES MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE HARBOUR MASTERS OFFICE AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS, OR DOWNLOADED FROM THE PORTS WEB SITE.

Capt. R C Hyde-Linaker BA MNI
Harbour Master
24th January 2013