

## NOTICE TO MARINERS

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## **Larne Port Control - Redesignation**

Having reviewed their level of navigational risk, Larne Port no longer deems the provision of VTS as a requirement and have made the decision to redesignate the function of 'Larne Port Control' (LPC) as a Local Port Service (LPS). The port is therefore terminating its status as a VTS Authority, which has been acknowledged and confirmed by the Marine Coastguard Agency (MCA).

LPC will however continue to effectively manage all marine traffic movements and activities within the port area, disseminating port information to vessels and berth or terminal operators, such as:

- Berthing information;
- Availability of port services;
- Details of shipping movements;
- Meteorological and hydrographical data

LPC will also continue to provide the co-ordination and communications centre for Larne Port's pilotage service, managing the pilot boarding and landing activities at the Pilot Station. It is staffed by 'Local Port Service' trained operators on a 24/7 basis, engaged by and acting under the direction of the Harbour Master.

All vessels should comply with LPC's advice and must comply with any directions issued in accordance with Sections 12 or 13 of the Larne Harbour Order (NI) 1998.

For further information regarding this Notice please contact Larne Port Control or myself.

Stuart Wilson Harbour Master LARNE PORT

Larne Harbour Limited 9 Olderfleet Road Larne Co. Antrim Date:22-06-2022